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Nancy Reagan stands beside her husband, President Ronald Reagan, as he is sworn in for a second term by Chief Justice Warren Burger (right) in the Capitol Rotunda on Jan. 21, 1985. President Reagan died in June 2004. AFP, Getty Images

A Steadfast First Lady

Former actress was known for fierce devotion to her husband.

By Karen Heller FOR THE INQUIRER

ancy Davis Reagan, 94, the powerful and devoted wife of President Ronald Reagan, principal caregiver during his decadelong twilight with Alzheimer's disease, and the primary architect of his legacy, died Sunday morning at her home in the Bel-Air section of Los Angeles. The cause was congestive heart fail-

She will be buried at the Ronald

Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, Calif., next to her husband, who died on June 5, 2004.

Mrs. Reagan is widely viewed, by admirers and detractors alike, as one of the most powerful first ladies in history. Her affection and commitment to President Reagan were resolute. Anyone challenging his authority ultimately answered to his wife, who was equally known for her adoring gaze and her fierce loyalty.

"My life really began when I married my husband," said Mrs. Reagan,

who was a Hollywood contract player of middling success before she wed the Screen Actors Guild president in 1952. They made one movie together, Hellcats of the Navy in 1957, the year before she abandoned acting for good.

In her later years, Mrs. Reagan became a tireless campaigner for stemcell research in developing a cure for Alzheimer's and other diseases, breaking publicly with President George W. Bush and other Republican opponents who favored limited funding.

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CAMPAIGN 2016

Sanders, Clinton crank up the heat

In debate, Democrats interrupted each other and traded accusations of misrepresenting their records.

> By Nancy Benac and Catherine Lucey ASSOCIATED PRESS

FLINT, Mich. — Ratcheting up the rancor, Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders tangled aggressively in a Democratic presidential debate Sunday night over trade, Wall Street influence and more, with Clinton accusing him of

"destroyed this economy."

It was a marked change in tone for the Democrats, signaling Sanders' increasingly difficult effort to slow the party's front-runner. Both candidates frequently interrupted one another and accused each other of misrepresenting their records.

stead of some rhetoric for a change," Clinton snapped at Sanders.

"Let me tell my story, you tell yours," Sanders shot back at another. "Your story is voting for every disastrous trade amendment and vot-

interruptions, saying, "Excuse me, I'm talking"

debate's tone was nothing like that of the Re-

Poor strategy hurting Rubio, supporters say

By Ed O'Keefe, Robert Costa, and Paul Kane

Sensing an opportunity for an upset victory,

Instead, he finished a disappointing third, repeating the same pattern as in some Super Tuesday states last week: a big last-minute push, notable endorsements, and a thud of a finish.

Those doing the endorsing, along with many other Rubio supporters, bemoaned the results, as well as the campaign that pro-

duced them. "I felt I had a dog in the fight, and it hurt me personally when I thought we were going to win," said Republican Sen. James M. Inhofe of Oklahoma, an-

Republicans **Democrats** Sunday, Clinton had 458

other state where Rubio came in behind Sen. Ted Cruz and Donald Trump. "The thing is, when Rubio was there, the enthusiasm was so

great, better than the others. He had a great See **RUBIO** on A11

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(From left) Jessica McDowell, Julio Sosa, news photo editor, and

Nick Buchta, senior sports editor, conduct a staff meeting at the Daily Pennsylvanian in West Phila.

MICHELLE GUSTAFSON

Penn's student journalists

learn from video mishap

An error became an issue for the GOP campaigns.

By Susan Snyder INQUIRER STAFF WRITER

Nick Buchta bounded into the room with a pizza box in one hand and a laptop in the other. He had quite a story, he told the other student editors crammed into an office at the headquarters of the Daily Pennsylvanian: Football coaches from the eight Ivy League universities voted to ban tackling at practice.

"I'm the one who told Penn Athletics this is happening," Buchta, 21, the senior sports editor, said recently, his voice rising with excitement. "They didn't know."

Buchta, a senior political science and communication major from Cleveland, said he saw the story in the New York Times and quickly got it confirmed and posted a story to the school newspaper's website.

"Other than the Times, we're the only ones that have it right now," he said.

Lauren Feiner, 20, editor-in-chief, praised him: "That's awesome. Glad you

The story would get front page play in the next edition, the nine student editors decided, along with a story about Super Tuesday election results, a feature on "sexual awakenings" at summer camp and a piece on a yoga club.

Life at the Daily Pennsylvanian, the DP for short, had moved on. It had been See **NEWSPAPER** on A2

Buyouts a possible pension solution

Payments of only a percentage of what a retiree could collect over a lifetime could ease burden on system.

> By Claudia Vargas STAFF WRITER

City Controller Alan Butkovitz thinks he has a solution for Philadelphia's staggeringly underfunded pension fund: buyouts. Butkovitz is proposing that the

city offer up-front cash pay-

ments to retirees, who, if they took the option, would surrender their lifelong pensions.

The payments would represent only a portion — say, 50 percent — of what a retiree could expect to receive over a lifetime. Still, a fair number of retirees might be enticed by the prospect of a cash windfall they could invest on their own, Butkovitz said.

"This would give people the opportunity to start a business," he said. "Or do something that could potentially change their life and provide financial security longterm. And, of course, they could convert it into an annuity."

Such buyouts could benefit the city by dramatically reducing the

pension fund's overall liability. The fund is \$5.7 billion short of its \$11 billion obligation to city workers' pensions.

"There's a persistent concern in the city about getting control of pension costs and a lot of things have been tried that were nibbling around the edges," Butkovitz said. "So, it seems like the environment is ripe for ideas

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Rubio Wins

Puerto Rico

Sanders captures

Maine's

turning his back on the auto industry and Sanders countering that Clinton's friends on Wall Street had

"Let's have some facts in-

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ing for corporate America." More than once, Sanders chafed at Clinton's

or "Let me finish, please." Their disagreements were clear, but still the

See **DEBATE** on A11

The candidate has won just 2 of 20 contests so far.

WASHINGTON POST

Sen. Marco Rubio spent most of Friday in Kansas, where he picked up a series of highprofile endorsements that he hoped could help thrust him into contention.

> **DELEGATE SCORECARD REPUBLICANS Donald Trump** Ted Cruz Marco Rubio

> > John Kasich **DEMOCRATS*** Hillary Clinton

Bernie Sanders Number needed to win nomination:

2,383

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