

Miss Voti Cavendish
Waste

Paul Tsongas - Notes

Toby Dilworth - June 1984

- "Everything changed after the announcement. I took three days off in April. When I got back, I had three messages in my in-box. I couldn't believe it. In January, I would have 10 messages waiting for me after every lunch break. All of a sudden, you were irrelevant."
- Toby says, "We started three years out--June 1, 1981, when I went on the payroll. We started with a bang in December 1982, after the gubernatorial election."
- "We had already won a great victory. We had eliminated the threat of a primary. We showed enough muscle so that no one thought he could win against us. Ed Mackey would have run in a minute if he had thought he could win. We let him know he couldn't. On election day 1982, we leafleted nearly every ward in Boston. And we leafleted Mackey's home town and his precinct. We wanted them to know we had an organization and we could move people around. We were everywhere."
- Both Toby and ^Lawry said they were just getting their organization together when the news came. ^Lawry: "Things were just coming together. We had a campaign." Toby: "We had just gotten the feeling it was us and them. We didn't know who "them" was, but we were ready to win. Our goal--and Paul would never admit this--was to get more votes as long than Ted Kennedy did. And we'd have loved to have beaten Elliott Richardson."
- Toby had organized 525 out of 550 (?) precincts--seven regional coordinators.
- ^Lawry had sent out 400,000 directmail letters and had gotten back 40,000 or so. They had raised \$500,000. Now it's all over.