

# Jubilation of McCarthy Backers in Jersey Is Stilled

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TRENTON, June 5 — The shooting of Senator Robert F. Kennedy stilled any sense of jubilation today among the New Jersey campaign forces of Senator Eugene J. McCarthy, who yesterday won 19 or possibly 21 of the state's 80 elected delegates to the Democratic National Convention.

Grief, shock and uncertainty caused both sides in the Democratic primary to impose a moratorium today on political activity.

Gov. Richard J. Hughes, who led a slate of uncommitted delegates in the primary, said that "our hearts go out to this

fine young man and his family."

Richard Sandler, co-chairman of the New Jersey volunteers for McCarthy, said: "I don't have the heart to discuss anything today. All I can think of is what it means to the Senator's family and to the country."

### Outcome Disputed

Mr. Sandler said that he had abandoned plans to bring suits today against the regular Democratic organizations in Essex and Middlesex Counties. He had planned to charge them with fraud and a systematic intimidation of McCarthy voters at polling places yesterday in the 11th and 15th Congressional districts.

Late last night, the McCarthy forces said they had won a "significant victory." The

Democratic organization called the outcome a "Mexican stand-off."

Governor Hughes and Robert J. Burkhardt, the Democratic state chairman, refused to speculate on the impact of Senator Kennedy's shooting upon the uncommitted slate of about 60 delegates.

Rather than field their own insurgent slates, Senator Kennedy and Vice President Humphrey chose to negotiate for New Jersey's support through the Governor and other state party leaders for their respective drives for the Democratic Presidential nomination.

Meanwhile, the chairman of the New Jersey Nixon Now campaign said today that former Vice President Richard M. Nixon received more than 54,

000 write-in votes yesterday in the Republican primary as the party elected a 40-member slate of uncommitted convention delegates. The write-in votes are not binding on the delegates.

### Lodge Got 7,800

Edward Bond, the chairman, said the write-in was the biggest in New Jersey's history, far surpassing the 7,800 write-in votes received by Henry Cabot Lodge in the 1964 Republican primary.

By Mr. Bond's unofficial count, Governor Rockefeller of New York received 7,300 write-ins and other Republicans got 703.

Officials at Republican headquarters said an official write-in count would not be completed until next week.