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TRUMP TRIUMPHS

Upset win caps mogul's stunning rise



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Supporters of Donald Trump celebrated at a New York hotel Tuesday night as election results rolled in and confirmed the first-time political candidate's upset win over Hillary Clinton.

Anger, distrust tug at polarized U.S.

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Outside a polling place in the suburbs of Detroit, a shouting match between two women escalated into a parking-lot scuffle, ending with one of them shoved to the pavement.

At a community center in southern Florida, a middle-aged woman handing out Republican pamphlets reached frantically for her pepper spray as a man supporting Hillary Clinton charged at her.

And in Pueblo, Colo., an Army veteran with a .45-caliber

pistol on his hip and a notebook in his left breast pocket watched from outside the county election office, scanning the people who came and went for signs of the fraud he was certain he would see.

A divided country looked to its future on Tuesday as millions of people lined up for blocks and waited for hours to cast votes for two candidates about whom the nation, it seemed, could not possibly disagree more.

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Nathan Hunsinger/Staff Photographer

Nicole Ferraro was exasperated as she monitored returns at the Dallas County Democrats' party at the Hyatt Regency Dallas and learned of Trump's victory in key states.

Contentious contest highlights divide

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WASHINGTON — Republican Donald Trump on Tuesday struck a final blow to the nation's political establishment, compelling a bitterly divided America to send his scorched-earth insurgency all the way to the White House.

The victory over Democrat Hillary Clinton closed out a noxious campaign that saw the rise of a billionaire outsider who electrified supporters with his blunt promise to break the status quo and frightened critics who saw barely

veiled demagoguery toward Hispanics, Muslims and others.

It did not come easy.

Trump had to wait until early Wednesday for the final calling, watching swing states — many thought to be out of his reach — fall his way, one by one. Ohio. North Carolina. Florida. Iowa. Pennsylvania. The Clinton firewall crumbled in slow motion.

And then Wisconsin sealed the deal, according to an Associated Press projection, in a final nod to Trump's powerful appeal to working-class Americans.

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