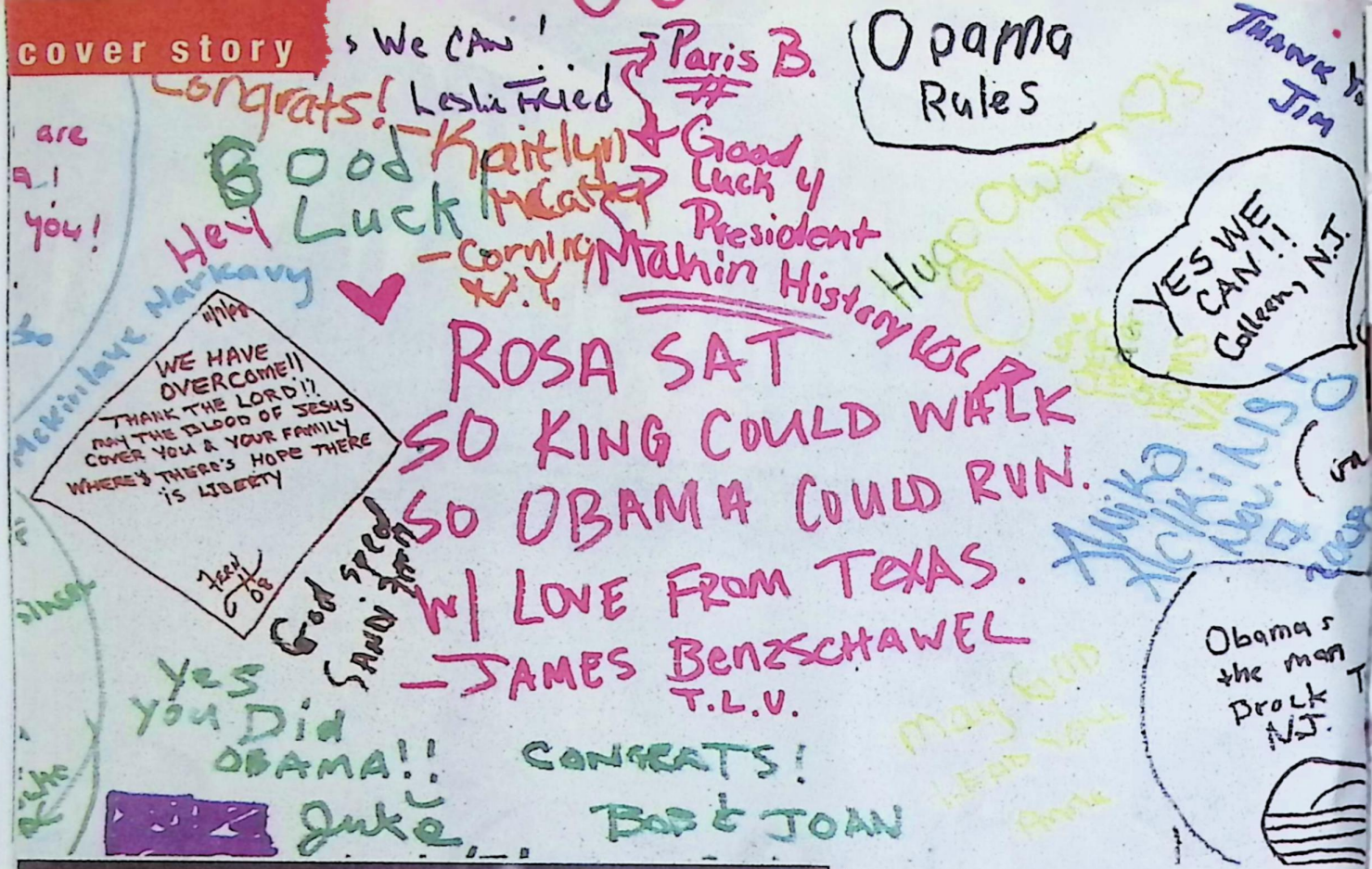
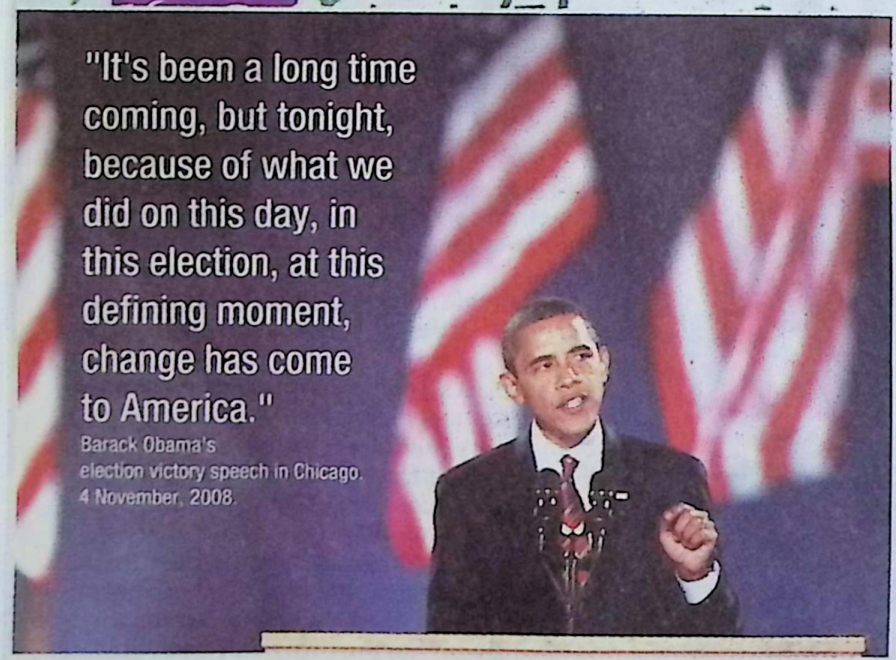




Nothing says it better, "Rosa sat/ so King could walk/ so Obama could run"

his desire to fight for a just cause must not slip us by as well. We do not need to copy him, nor should we, we should emulate him. His story should also remind us not to forget the indigenous people of our nation who have little or no voice in our political landscape.

Ultimately, Barack Obama gives the world hope and the promise of change and in these awkward and uncertain times it sounds good not just to America but the rest of the world. What becomes of him and how his actions change the world for better or for worse all remains to be seen. For the time being he deserves congratulations and a pat on his back, he promises the world and now he must deliver.

Jan Schakowsky, a liberal Democratic congresswoman from Chicago retold a story to Willaim Finegan and Noam Scheiber of The New Yorker and The New Republic respectively when he went to the White House in the winter of 2003 to discuss the situation in Haiti. There she took off her coat to reveal a large blue OBAMA button. Bush was taken aback, and she said "I knew what he was thinking. So I reassured him it was Obama, with a 'b.' (not Osama) And I explained who he was. The President said, 'Well, I don't know him.' So I just said, 'You will.' " That incident could just as well sum up the Obama story. Now we really do know him.

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