

Key district figures show gains 12,000 REGISTER IN FINAL 3 DAYS

An estimated 12,500 Las Vegas registered during the last three days of the registration period last week, according to Clark County Registrar George Ullom.

Ullom estimates a record 189,000 county residents will be eligible to vote Nov. 6. He further estimates 80 percent of the voters actually will cast their ballots in the election, since this year's election is highlighted by a presidential race.

In the 1980 presidential race, 84.3 percent of the 153,865 Clark County voters cast their ballots.

About 50 people still were in line to register at the Clark County Election Department at 9 p.m. Saturday, the close of this year's registration period, Ullom said.

"At 9 p.m., I shoved them inside the door and

locked it," he said.

An estimated 2,700 persons signed up Saturday at the office on Las Vegas Blvd. South, setting a department record. "If you had asked me before, I just can't believe we did it," Ullom said. About 25 deputy registrars helped register voters between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. that day.

Republicans seem to have made the greatest gain in countywide voter registration, as 63,203 of the 179,272 voters registered as of Friday afternoon aligned themselves with the GOP, computer printouts show. As of early August, their numbers had just reached 45,000.

Democrats also made their gains, though they were more modest. Friday's figures show 104,333 voters have registered Democrat, up

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A Kid's Opinion

By Che' Jones



Sunday, October 8, President Reagan and Walter F. Mondale had their first debate, which was held in Louisville, Ky.

A poll conducted by the Gallup Organization for Newsweek magazine said registered voters picked Mondale as the winner by a defeating 54% to 35%. A separate poll by the Mondale Campaign said respondents picked him as the victor by a spread of 52% to 32% and more than half of those who answered said they still intended to vote for Reagan.

But the Reagan campaign said Reagan won 41% to 38%.

Honestly, I think Fritz Mondale won.

I personally loved it when Mondale said, "It isn't what he says he doesn't know that scares me, it's what he says he knows for a fact, that just ain't so!"

Later on, Mr. President said, "Now, there you go again" and Mondale's response was, "Do you remember when you said that the last time? You said it to President Carter in '79, I think. You said you had no intention of cutting Medi-Care, and what did you do after you got in office? You tried to cut Medi-Care!"

In my opinion, I think Walter F. Mondale will be the next President of the United States. I'm not a Democrat or a Republican; I'm Independent, so Mondale would be my choice, especially after the debate!

President Reagan proclaimed the week in honor of the nation's 600,000 minority-owned businesses.

"They have emerged as a dynamic force in the marketplace, bringing innovative products and services to our economy," states the proclamation, "and constituting the principal source for jobs and training for thousands of American workers."

"We want to bring to people's attention the national thrust to promote minority businesses and the contributions they are making

in the community," said Bob Bailey, executive director of the Nevada Economic Development Co. NEDCo is among the 100 local organizations of the U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency.

In addition to NEDCo, the other agencies hosting Minority Enterprise Week include the Small Business Administration, Latin Chamber of Commerce, the Black Chamber of Commerce, the Nevada Minority Purchasing Council and New Ventures, Inc.

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