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Sentinel-Voice photos by Ramon Savoy Oscar Goodman got 49 percent of the vote in the mayoral primary. Arnie Adamsen, right, celebrates the run-off.

Adamsen advance to run-off Goodman,

John T. Stephens III Sentinel-Voice

Flanked with supporters chanting "Arnie, Arnie", Arnie Adamsen advanced to the general election, where he will face his opponent, defense attorney Oscar Goodman.

Goodman came a cat's whiskers short of winning the mayoral contest outright in Tuesday's primary.

"I would have liked to have won it for my supporters," Goodman said, who garnished 49.4 percent of the votes. "I don't feel bad for myself...I wanted to take home a win for them."

In order for Goodman to take the mayor's race in the primary he would have road and talk about the

needed to capture 50 percent plus one vote to be declared mayor of Las Vegas on May

"We're going to be open for business tommorow," Arnie Adamsen said who took second with 29 percent of the vote. "Our strategy was to get in the general."

Developer Mark Fine finished third with a respectable 16 percent. There were nine candidates in the mayor's race and now the choices have been narrowed down to two candidates who will try to succeed Jan Jones as mayor.

"I promise to never go negative," Goodman said. "I'm going to take the high

"Get in the jungle and let's talk about the issues," Adamsen said. "This is going to be a campaign about the issues."

Both candidates are promising a clean race but there's bound to be some negative campaigning. Adamsen being dogged about his trips to Korea and his

committment to the city's Sister City Program, which was conceived to woo Asian businesses and tourists to southern Nevada.

Goodman will be plagued with his reputation for defending those questionable character-the list of unsavory mafia and criminal types which he has

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Union members protest at hotel opening estimated that 15 percent

Catisha Marsh Sentinel-Voice

Carrying picket signs that read, "Union Rights...Civil Rights-one and the same", Culinary Local 226 union members and supporters protested Monday evening before the grand opening at the Venetian, the new megasresort and casino at 3355 Las Vegas Blvd. South.

Protesters began swarming around the hotel at 5 p.m. An earlier rally was held at 11 a.m.

"There are three things that take priority," said union spokesperson D. Taylor about the purpose of the rallies. "First, the rehiring of Sands workers; second, subcontract the restaurants; and third, to end the ongoing dispute whether or not the workers have the right to unionize."

The hotel and casino were scheduled to open Monday after weeks of setbacks with construction and permits. Executives of Las Vegas Sands Inc. moved the property's opening date from April 21 to May 3.

Representatives of the \$1.5 billion Venetian could



Sentinel-Voice photos by Ramon Savoy

Thousands of union members and protesters picketed during Monday's opening of the \$1.5 billion Venetian Hotel. The 3,036-room hotel will employ more than 8,000 people. on union representation."

not be reached for comment, however, their finance office did release a written statement to the Sentinel-Voice.

"The Culinary Union's demonstration has nothing to do with improving the wages and benefits of Las Vegas workers. ... The Culinary's demonstration has nothing to do with the well-being of former employees of the old Sands hotel. There are far more former Sands employees working at the Venetian than demonstrating with the Culinary.

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union was "waging a negative public relations campaign, ... in an attempt to pressure the Venetian into signing a union contract, thereby denying our employees their right to vote

The letter indicated that

Culinary Union leaders were

afraid of losing in an election

on whether employees should

collect the millions of dollars

in dues represented by the

Venetian's Team Members,"

members, mostly Latino with

a few blacks and whites, and

protesters identified wages as

the central issue. Culinary

Union president Hattie Canty

During the evening

union

Their motivation is to

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demonstration,

wage, but we want better," said one black worker and demonstrator

of union members are

"... They're unwilling

to pay more than minimum

actually

American.

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Sonia Simons. "This is a union town, like it or not." Thomas Scott, an

African-American union member and picketer, said that he was marching for "the future of" his "grandkids and kids and their kids."

"I don't want minimum wages for my children or any other people's children.... You can't live off of minimum wages especially with the costs of living constantly going

Scott, who has been with the union for almost two decades, said that the union has been his saving grace. He consulted with them when his job was in jeopardy when he mistakenly took home office keys. Scott said that he pays little to nothing for dental services, that workers get new uniforms, child care and health (See Venetian, Page 20)



JESSE JACKSON

Jackson revels in release

WASHINGTON (AP) -In a city under U.S. bombardment for six weeks, the Rev. Jesse Jackson picked up a telephone and called President Clinton to report some good news. "I've received the prisoners and we're departing Belgrade,"

The president thanked Jackson. It was after midnight Saturday, so they didn't discuss the letter the civil rights leader was bringing from President Slobodan Milosevic, or Jackson's desire for Clinton to acknowledge Milosevic's peace overture.

In a telephone interview (See Jackson, Page 20)