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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY (Monday Evening)

CAMPAIGN -- Ronald Reagan began his last campaign day on the steps of the state capitol at Sacramento, where it all began for him as a freshman governor in 1967.

Cruising along on optimism rather than odds, Mondale defiantly held his last major rally in the President's home state.

ISLAMIC JIHAD -- U.S. officials say Syria is providing unexpected help against the Iranian terrorist threat by denying Iran use of its airspace, thereby complicating any Iranian attempt to fly an explosives-laden plane into Beirut.

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NATIONAL NEWS

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(James Dickenson, Washington Post, A1)

Reagan, Mondale at Home As America Votes

Americans were voting after final campaign appeals in which President Reagan asked for renewal of his conservative mandate, saying "our work is not finished," while Mondale defined the election as a choice between "decency" and "self-interest." In a 22-minute television commercial broadcast on the three major networks Monday night, Reagan said America had made an "amazing comeback." But, he added, "We still have much to do -- to make our families more secure, to help many of you on our farms, in our inner cities, or working in older industries not yet back on their feet." Mondale's closing appeal was in a five-minute commercial, broadcast 11 times Monday, in which he said, "I'd rather be an underdog in a campaign about decency than to be ahead in a campaign only about self-interest."
(Donald Rothberg, AP)

REAGAN EVOKES FUTURE AS CAMPAIGN WINDS UP

LOS ANGELES -- President Reagan wound up his campaign tonight, in the state where his political career began, with a nationally televised appeal for "the future of this dream we call America." Reagan's half-hour speech, taped Wednesday at the White House, concluded a final day of campaigning in which his strategists predicted a landslide victory and the President repeatedly evoked the future in phrases stressing his themes and style of the past. Reagan's final day of campaigning was festive and nostalgic, marked by balloons, bands and fireworks and a return to the state capitol where he said he was "happy to be with old friends now as we reach the closing moments of this campaign." (Lou Cannon, Washington Post, A12)

Reagan Promises He'll Fulfill Trust

President Reagan wound up his drive for reelection with a nostalgic tour of his home state and a nationally televised promise to be worthy of the voters' trust in what is shaping up as a Republican landslide. His televised address was perhaps one of the better and more stirring speeches Mr. Reagan has delivered, even though it was a paid commercial. But when he spoke of his Democratic opponents, he said, "Despite their good intentions, I don't believe they place enough faith in the people. They do everything they can to save us from prosperity."
(Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A1)

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Reagan/Last Day

SAN DIEGO -- A nostalgic President Reagan concluded the last day of his last political campaign by pledging to pursue nuclear disarmament in a second term and aiming to extend his legacy "into the next decade and beyond." With the political commercial and three rallies in his home state, the 73-year-old President wound up the final campaign of his 20-year political career. Flanked by his wife, Nancy, and singer Frank Sinatra, Reagan joined Wayne Newton in singing "American the Beautiful" as hundreds of balloons ascended skyward and a stunt skydiving team floated down through the crowd. Though he steadfastly refused to predict victory despite his overwhelming lead in the polls, Reagan's televised message made it clear he wanted his conservative philosophy to endure far beyond four more years. (Maureen Santini, AP)

MONDALE, IN FINAL PLEA, CALLS FOR 'BIGGEST UPSET'

LOS ANGELES -- Walter Mondale made a final appeal from the valley of his political foe, calling on California and the nation to deny the Republicans a "historic mandate" and to bring about instead "the biggest upset in history." The large crowds that have marked the closing days of Mondale's campaign continued as the streets were turned into a sea of bobbing red-white-and-blue Mondale-Ferraro placards. (Milton Coleman, Washington Post, A12)

Mondale Hits Hard in 11th Hour Bid

Walter Mondale, lagging badly in the polls at the end of the campaign trail, made a final plea to voters not to let President Reagan "turn your vote into a future you never wanted." To the applause and cheers of thousands of supporters in the hazy sunlight of downtown Los Angeles, he declared, "We can prove that a President can't isolate himself in a question-free zone and get away with it." Mondale cited a letter from a 12-year-old girl who said her family was suffering severely from poverty. Why, he asked, can the Administration "hear the faintest drum but can't hear the cry of a hungry child in the streets?" The candidate, ending some dozen campaign visits to California with a full-scale, celebrity-studded rally that occasionally resembled a rock concert, urged the audience to join him in a historic upset. (Alan McConagha, Washington Times, A1)

Mondale/Iowa

MASON CITY, Iowa -- Walter Mondale, insisting to the end that the pollsters are wrong and that he will pull off a political upset, said Monday that the re-election of President Reagan would let Republicans claim a "historic mandate" to raise taxes and go to war in Central America. Mondale received a tumultuous welcome from a crowd of about 3,000 people at Mason City, a town about a dozen miles from where Mondale grew up. In Los Angeles, Mondale devoted a third of his rally speech to his choice of Ferraro as his running mate. "It's the best choice I ever made," said Mondale, urging a direct comparison with Vice President Bush. "It's a choice between someone who's grown during this campaign," he said, "and someone's who's shrunk." In the last days, Mondale's theme came straight from the Great Society programs of Lyndon Johnson, a pledge to restore the federal government as an instrument to provide help to those in need. (Mike Shanahan, AP)

BUSH TAKES GOP COATTAILS TO TEXAS

DENTON -- Vice President Bush brought the generously financed Republican coattails campaign to his adopted home state as he stumped for three GOP candidates seeking to oust incumbent House Democrats. Here he was greeted by raucous cheers from students, who waved signs with such slogans as "Kick Ass George" and "Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and Reagan-Bush."
(Dale Russakoff, Washington Post, A12)

ALMA MATER IS LAST STOP FOR FERRARO

NEW YORK -- Geraldine Ferraro ended her four-month quest for the vice presidency with a nostalgic visit to her alma mater, where she described her candidacy as a symbol "that Americans should be able to reach as far as our dreams will take us." In the face of a likely Republican landslide -- and clearly worn down by the grueling, 12,000-mile final campaign week -- Ferraro delivered an emotionally strong speech for the finale at Marymount College in Manhattan. (Rick Atkinson, Washington Post, A12)

Race Boosted Women, Ferraro Says

On her last day of campaigning, an obviously weary Geraldine Ferraro turned philosophic and talked about what her campaign for the vice presidency has meant to women. Speaking with a hoarse voice, she said her campaign had opened the doors of opportunity for women. Anti-abortion protesters in the back of the small crowd interrupted Ferraro several times. Supporters began chanting her name, but she stopped them. "Don't worry about those people," she said. "We're going to ignore them."
(Stephanie Nall, Washington Times, A5)

WOMEN SEE MS. FERRARO'S CANDIDACY AS BREAKTHROUGH

Although Geraldine Ferraro may not triumph this Election Day, many political observers say the promise her vice presidential candidacy holds for American women won't die after the vote is counted. Whatever the outcome, her campaign represents to many observers not just a breakthrough for women in politics, but for all women, of all ages, races and political persuasions. "This is irreversible progress," said Judy Goldsmith, president of NOW. "The door is open and can't be closed again."
(Ann Blackman, AP)

NCPAC SEES REAGAN LANDSLIDE, CALLS IT VOTE AGAINST LIBERALISM

Saying that even in the days of George McGovern "we didn't see liberalism" like that shown by Walter Mondale, NCPAC Chairman Terry Dolan predicted that President Reagan will win in 48 states, receiving 58% of the popular vote. (John McCaslin, Washington Times, A5)

SHOTS FIRED AT REAGAN WORKER IN BOSTON

BOSTON -- A gunman fired two shots from a taxi Monday night, missing a campaign worker for President Reagan, and then shouted "Reagan's next!" before fleeing in the cab, police said. The shooting occurred outside Reagan-Bush headquarters near the Boston Common after a confrontation between supporters for Reagan and Mondale, said a police spokesman.
(AP)

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A DAY OF HIGH DRAMA AND LOW COMEDY

About 174M Americans are old enough to vote today. More than 74M won't. Nowhere in the world does it cost more to seek public office. In few places in the world do fewer people, proportionally, vote. Still, the numbers are large and the sweep is majestic. This year, 228 people of all parties and splinters filed statements of presidential intention with the FEC. They included 22 women whose prospects were such that nobody even asked about their husbands' finances. Only three people filed statements of vice-presidential intentions, indicating far fewer are interested in flying in Air Force 2. This year there was talk of Ronald Reagan sweeping to an unprecedented landslide. He will have to go some. He will have to beat Richard Nixon, who got the biggest popular vote -- 47,165,234 in 1972. In electoral votes, he will have to beat George Washington, who was unopposed and got them all. (Saul Pett, AP)

REAGAN MUST ACCOMPLISH GOALS WITHIN FIRST YEAR OF 2ND TERM

Why does Mr. Reagan have to accomplish almost all his public policy goals in the first year of a second term? That is because (a) President Reagan will become the quintessential "lame duck" after the euphoria wears off from the big victory that now looms on the horizon; (b) because he faces the prospect of losing Republican control of the Senate in 1986; and (c) recovery and recession are cyclical and nobody believes the present level of recovery can be sustained indefinitely. (Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A4)

CANDIDATES PLEDGE SILENCE UNTIL 11 p.m.

Bowing to concerns voiced by political figures in the far West, where polls close long after election outcomes are known in much of the country, candidates Reagan and Mondale have taken a vow of silence until 11 p.m. EST. (Washington Times, A4)

HOPEFULS HIT THE ROAD -- FOR '88

The Republican list of hopefuls is headed by four familiar names -- Vice President Bush, Dole, Kemp and Sen. Baker. Other likely candidates are Gov. du Pont and Lewis Lehrman. The roster of possible Democratic successors to the Carter-Mondale period is headed by Sen. Hart, Gov. Cuomo, Sen. Kennedy and Jesse Jackson. (James Dickenson, Washington Post, A4)

HOME-KNITTER RULE ISSUED

The Labor Department published a final regulation that will allow manufacturers of knitted outerwear, such as hats and sweaters, to hire people to knit garments in their homes. The rule marks the latest attempt by the Reagan Administration to end a 42-year-old provision of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act that bans firms from using home knitters unless they are handicapped or care for handicapped persons. (Pete Earley, Washington Post, A19)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

U.S. ALERTS MILITARY TO POSSIBLE TERRORISM

The U.S. has moved three aircraft carriers into strategic positions and alerted numerous military units in reaction to warnings that terrorists may strike in the Mideast and elsewhere during the U.S. election period, government officials said. "Everybody has been very nervous about another attack," one official said, citing reported warnings that embassies and other installations could be at risk in Lebanon, Jordan, Cyprus and other Mideast locations. (Charles Corddry, Baltimore Sun, A1)

PASSENGERS FREED FROM SAUDI AIRLINER, HIJACKERS ARRESTED

TEHRAN -- Some 130 passengers and crew of a hijacked Saudi Arabian Tristar were freed in Tehran and the hijackers arrested, the Iranian national news agency reported. Their release came some eight hours after the aircraft, hijacked just after midnight after taking off from Jeddah en route to Riyadh from London, landed at Tehran's Mehrabad Airport. (Trevoar Wood, Reuter).

SANDINISTAS WINNING IN NICARAGUA; U.S. CALLS VOTE A FARCE

MANAGUA -- The Sandinista front claimed victory in nationwide elections as early returns gave it a 2-1 lead over all of the of the contesting opposition parties combined. State Department spokesman John Hughes said, "Regrettably, the Nicaraguan people were not allowed to participate in an election in any real sense of the word. The Sandinista electoral farce, without any meaningful political opposition, leaves the situation essentially unchanged." (Robert McCartney, Washington Post, A1)

Sandinists Lead Polls With 67% of Vote

With more than a third of the polls reporting, the Sandinists have won 67% of the vote, but political observers said the opposition was doing better than expected. Most of the vote for the opposition -- about 23% -- went to two right-of-center parties that remained in the race. (Mary Powers, Reuter).

Sandinistas Claim Big Majority Vote

The Nicaraguan government claimed that 82% of registered voters cast ballots in elections and that the FSLN won an overwhelming number of the votes cast for president and vice president and for seats in the assembly. The Sandinistas appear to have fallen short of the massive support they expected from the populace in Sunday's elections. Projecting the government's own preliminary figures, and taking into account voters who didn't register and others who registered by didn't vote, plus nullified, ballots, the ruling FSLN garnered 48% of the eligible vote, or 52% of the registered vote. (Jay Mallin, Washington Post, A8)

REAGAN SEEN GETTING NICARAGUA MANUAL REPORTS TODAY

Two investigative reports on the CIA's production of a controversial Nicaraguan rebel manual were being dispatched to President Reagan, but the findings are expected to remain secret for several days.
(Robert Parry, AP)

GANDHI SAID OPEN TO BETTER U.S. TIES

NEW DELHI -- India's new prime minister "is certainly inclined to improve relations with the United States," according to an Indian source with access to the inner circles of the new government. The improvements, if they come, will not be made at the expense of weakening India's important relations with the Soviet Union, the source said, and they will depend in part on how skillfully Washington manages its relations with Pakistan.
(Michael Getler, Washington Post, A1)

Congress Called Main Bar to Better Relations with India

The principal obstacle to improving U.S. relations with India is the U.S. Congress, according to reports prepared for Secretary Shultz. Most members of Congress are said by State Department and Pentagon sources to have an image of India as a country that is anti-American and backward, its streets strewn with the dead and starving. In reality, specialists on India agree, India is about a generation ahead of China in most areas of science, technology and medicine, is equally suspicious of the U.S. and the Soviet Union, and can count as its greatest achievement its ability to feed itself and even export rice in good years. Congressional attitudes are, however, expected to become more open-minded, the reports note.
(News Analysis by Russell Howe, Washington Times, A7)

AFGHAN GUERRILLAS LAUNCH OFFENSIVE

PANJSHIR VALLEY -- Resistance fighters have opened a counteroffensive against Soviet and Afghan Army forces in Afghanistan's Panjshir Valley aimed at recapturing positions lost earlier this year.
(Anthony Davis, Washington Post, A1)

CHERNENKO ASSAILS U.S.

MOSCOW -- In a speech delivered on the eve of the U.S. presidential elections, President Chernenko again put the blame for international tensions on Washington. Addressing a group of youth leaders from communist countries, Chernenko stressed that "the course of an arms build up (and confrontation)...is not our policy." Chernenko urged Soviet Bloc youth leaders to beware of the "massive psychological warfare unleashed by the imperialist forces against socialist countries."
(Celestine Bohlen, Washington Post, A25)

SUMMITS USEFUL TOOLS FOR DIALOGUE, BUSH BELIEVES

If he became president during Ronald Reagan's second term, George Bush would find regular summit meetings with his Soviet counterpart useful "as a means of staying in contact rather than an event requiring concrete agreements to be successful," the Vice President has told The Washington Times. But Mr. Bush warned that Soviet-U.S. relations would have to be "on a more productive track before regular meetings are a realistic possibility." He also indicated that, as President, he would plan to retain George Shultz as secretary of state. Regarding the Philippines, the Vice President welcomed the growth of "moderate opposition groups pressing for democratic change." Asked if he would work with similar opposition forces in Latin America, he said he "strongly supported" the Contadora process. Mr. Bush said he would be prepared to normalize relations with Cuba only if Castro "ceased his efforts to subvert and overthrow other governments in this hemisphere and ended his role as a Soviet military proxy in Africa and the Third World." He supported arms sales to moderate Arab states. On South Africa, he stressed that there should be "government by the consent of the governed" but not necessarily an American-style system. Referring to his own negotiations with Japan to iron out trade differences, he said that "protectionism must be resisted. Our record is not perfect on this score, but it is a good one...." (Russell Howe, Washington Times, A8)

U.S. HELPS AIRLIFT FOOD IN ETHIOPIA FAMINE

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia -- Two U.S. transport planes joined a massive international airlift to ferry food to Ethiopia's famine-stricken interior, where modern Africa's worst drought is threatening 8M lives. (Jay Mallin, Washington Times, A6)

U.S. Says Ethiopia Hindered Famine Aid

Ethiopia has become a focal point in the controversy surrounding famine relief, largely because, according to the State Department, its Marxist government has refused until now to provide trucks in sufficient numbers to distribute food in the remote back country. (Miles Cunningham, Washington Times, A6)

ANGOLAN TALKS REPORTED NEARING A CONSENSUS

JOHANNESBURG -- South Africa's latest efforts at regional peace have had mixed success within the past week. Although Angolan security talks have taken a positive turn, efforts toward peace in Mozambique have been stalled. Two days of talks between South African and U.S. officials in the Cape Verde islands ended on a positive note, with South African FM Botha saying, "Progress has been made in respect of broad consensus on a number of important principles," which included the thorny issue of the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola. (Michael Sullivan, Washington Times, A6)

U.S. ASKS TO TEST WEAPONS IN NORTHWEST CANADA

TORONTO -- The U.S. wants to test laser-guided smart bombs, troop-killing mines dropped from aircraft, and more cruise missiles in Canada's vast northwest, the Toronto Star reported in an article about the latest request for weapons tests under a U.S.-Canadian pact. (Washington Times, A5)

NEWS FROM THE STATES

MINNESOTA POLLS SHOW CANDIDATES NECK-AND-NECK

MINNEAPOLIS (UPI) -- Native son Walter Mondale and President Reagan were running neck and neck in Minnesota on the eve of Tuesday's election and Republican Sen. Rudy Boschwitz led Democratic challenger Joan Growe by 12 to 18 points. In Minnesota polls published during the weekend, Mondale held a slim lead in one and Reagan had a narrow lead in the other.

In the Minnesota Poll published by the Minneapolis Star and Tribune, all adults interviewed gave Reagan a lead of 49 percent to 44 percent with 7 percent undecided. Among likely voters, Reagan led 49 to 46 percent, with 5 percent undecided. When undecided likely voters were allocated between the two candidates, the race narrowed to a Reagan lead of 51 to 49 percent. The Northstar Poll of the St. Paul Pioneer Press and WCCO Radio and TV showed Mondale ahead of Reagan 43 to 40 percent among all people interviewed, with 3 percent favoring other candidates and 14 percent undecided. Among likely voters, Mondale led 45 to 41 percent with 2 percent favoring other candidates and 12 percent undecided.

ALL POLLS POINT TO REAGAN IN WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE (UPI) -- If the polls in Wisconsin are correct, it will take a miracle for Democrat Walter Mondale to win the state's 11 electoral votes in Tuesday's presidential election. According to the polls, President Ronald Reagan is the overwhelming favorite in America's Dairyland.

Every one of the polls that has been made public in Wisconsin so far shows Reagan and George Bush with a sizable lead over Mondale and his running mate, Geraldine Ferraro. The latest Milwaukee Journal survey gave Reagan a 24-point lead (59 percent to 35 percent) among Wisconsinites likely to vote.

BIG ALABAMA VOTER TURNOUT PROJECTED

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (UPI) -- Alabama election officials said Monday they expect a heavy voter turnout if the increased voter registration is a good barometer. Secretary of State Don Siegelman's staff said the turnout should be high although his aides said the predictions that President Reagan will sweep the state could dampen some voters' enthusiasm.

OUTCOME OF PRYOR-BETHUNE RACE MAY HINGE ON REAGAN COATTAILS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) -- The outcome of Arkansas' most competitive political race this year, the contest for the U.S. Senate, may hinge on whether President Reagan's apparent popularity extends to Republican nominee Ed Bethune. Reagan visited Little Rock Friday and Saturday to campaign for Bethune and GOP congressional candidate Judy Petty and for his own ticket, which has held a considerable lead over Walter Mondale and may repeat by carrying Arkansas Tuesday. It will be up to a possible record number of voters in the general election to decide whether to extend Reagan's coattails to other Republican candidates in the state. Bethune and Petty likely will benefit most from the president's popularity.

NEWS FROM THE STATE (continued)

GOP SEES 200,000 VOTE REAGAN WIN

HARTFORD, Conn. (UPI) -- President Reagan's state campaign chairman predicted today that Reagan will carry Connecticut by 200,000 votes. A top Democrat disputed the figure but declined to make a prediction of his own. J. Brian Gaffney, a New Britain attorney who chairs the Reagan-Bush campaign in Connecticut, said polls indicate Reagan will win the state by 200,000 votes "and that could go a lot higher." Democratic Sen. Christopher Dodd disputed the Republican's optimism but declined to make a prediction of his own as to how the state will vote Tuesday.

TOWNSEND, ORR CONFIDENT ON ELECTION EVE

Indiana Democrats held an election eve pep rally Monday, predicting "if we win the turnout battle we'll win the election," while Republicans said a large turnout will mean a big victory for Robert Orr and Ronald Reagan. The Democratic ticket sought last-minute television news coverage by staging a rally on the steps of the Statehouse. Republicans were more subdued, quietly celebrating the birthday of Lt. Gov. John Mutz.

PRESIDENTIAL RACE TOPS TUESDAY'S TICKET

Indiana Republicans hope to capitalize on Ronald Reagan's predicted strength in the presidential race Tuesday, while Democratic candidates are trying to stave off any coattail effect in state or U.S. House races. In its Sunday edition, the Post-Tribune of Gary reported that the number of registered voters in Indiana topped 3 million for the first time this year since 1976. "People register when there's somebody on the ballot they want to vote for," Republican State Chairman Gordon Durnil said. "People want to vote for Ronald Reagan."

PA. TO HELP ELECT PRESIDENT, FILL STATE OFFICES

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UPI) -- The presidential contest between incumbent Ronald Reagan and Democrat Walter Mondale, considered closer in Pennsylvania than the nation as a whole, is expected to have a major impact on the other races. Both parties hope strong showings by their candidate will enable other party hopefuls to ride their coattails to victory. Pennsylvanians also will play a major role in determining the shape of the next Congress, which Reagan or Mondale will have to work with, by electing 23 U.S. representatives. Democrats currently hold a 13-10 advantage in the state's delegation.

HISPANICS WILL KEEP TRADITION OF SUPPORTING DEMOCRATS

SAN ANTONIO (UPI) -- Despite Republican claims of growing minority support, Hispanics nationwide will stick with tradition Tuesday and vote overwhelmingly for Democratic candidates, the head of a voting rights group said. William C. Velasquez, president of the Southwest Voter Registration Education Project -- a non-partisan voting rights group -- Monday predicted that Democrats will capture up to 83 percent of the national Hispanic vote. "It appears to me that the probability is that Hispanics throughout the nation will tend to edge back toward their traditional margins," he said.

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING, November 5, 1984

PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

CBS's Dan Rather: One day to go. President Reagan in Sacramento ending his campaign. Walter Mondale in Los Angeles, winding down his battle for the White House. Election Eve 1984. The candidates tonight wrapped up the last of many months and many miles on the road. President Reagan and George Bush, Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro getting in their last hopes and licks today before you, the voter, gets the final say tomorrow about whether, as the polls indicate, there could be a Reagan avalanche with the only question of a coattail for Republicans seeking seats and effective control in Congress to grab onto, or whether, as Walter Mondale insists, a history-making, come-from-way-behind victory is in the making for the Democrats. Tonight, the candidates went home to await the voters' verdict.

CBS's Bill Plante: Ronald Reagan came home today to California, where his political philosophy was formed. At the state capital in Sacramento, Mr. Reagan was typically leery of predicting the outcome of the election, but willing to talk of his priorities in a second term.

(President: "Number one of all, of course, is peace, disarmament and the reduction in the world of nuclear weapons.")

The President said he would try to resume arms talks with the Soviets, but offered no special inducement to bring them back.

(President: "We won't try to buy them back by increasing offers and so forth. We'll try to convince them that it is to their advantage as well ours.")

It was 20 years ago that Ronald Reagan's political career began with this speech for Barry Goldwater, and Mr. Reagan is proud of how little his ideas have changed.

(President, in 1964: "Where then is the road to peace? Well, it's a simple answer after all. You and I have the courage to say to our enemies: There is a price we will not pay, there is point beyond which they must not advance." (Applause))

So this is it. The campaign is all but over and the President's strategists believe that he is in better shape than they would have ever dared to hope two or three months ago. Tonight, moving through California, they are confident of victory, believing most Americans either like the President or agree with his philosophy of less government and armed strength.

(CBS-Lead)

ABC's Peter Jennings: The campaigning is all but over, the candidates have had their say. Tomorrow the voters get a chance to speak. At this late date there are polls everywhere. The latest ABC News-Washington Post poll, which was completed last night, shows Mr. Mondale getting a bit closer to the President. Mr. Reagan is leading by 14 points, with six percent undecided. (Graphic shows 54 percent Reagan, 40 percent Mondale) Our last survey had the two candidates 18 points apart. Today Mr. Reagan and Mr. Mondale were both making one last push.

ABC's Sam Donaldson: Ronald Reagan began his last campaign day on the steps of the state capitol at Sacramento, where it all began for him as a freshman governor in 1967. He recalled something Tip O'Neill told him when he first came to Washington as president.

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Donaldson (continued): (President: "He rather condescendingly said to me, 'You're in the big leagues now.' And you know something? I kind of thought here in California we were in the big leagues.")
The California crowd appreciated the thought, but today there was little fire. The President delivered his standard lines, such as how the American people won't have to take Walter Mondale's new taxes.

(President: " -- not going to get his tax increases.")

And a small group of Mondale supporters politely chanted back.

(TV Coverage: Tiny group of signs in the middle of crowd)

But so pervasive is the sense of impending victory that it all had the feel of going through the motions. Mr. Reagan, however, remained true to form.

(Reporter: "Gonna win?"

President: "You know, Helen, I never say anything."

Reporter: "Not up to the last minute?"

President: "Not up to the last -- especially not up to the last minute.")

The President's friend, Frank Sinatra, who was along today, was not so cautious.

(Reporter: "Do you think he'll carry all 50 states?"

Sinatra: "He will by all means.")

In fact, as the President traveled down the California coast, his aides revealed their expectations: 45 states certain, four more highly probable, the last one -- Minnesota -- very possible. 49 or 50 with 59 percent of the popular vote. And the President, though not predicting, kept on delivering his standard taunt to Walter Mondale.

(President: "You ain't seen nothin' yet.")

Some campaigns end with a note of excited expectation, others on a note of deep despair. But this one ends almost on a matter of fact tone of business as usual. The Reagan ship of state, barely scratched by the exertions of Walter Mondale, sails on serenely toward its expected landslide, the President toward the opportunities and perils of four more years.
(ABC-Lead)

NBC's Tom Brokaw: This is the eve of the 1984 presidential election. Tomorrow night we'll know who will lead this country for the next four years; the balance of power in Congress, who voted, and why.

NBC's Chris Wallace: Reagan came home to end his last run for office to the California state capitol where his political career began 20 years ago. Aides said they're no longer worried about winning this state, but the President wanted to end up here for personal reasons.

(President: "If the capitol were in California, I'd go for 40.")

Flanked by old friends and supporters, Reagan seemed more in the mood for nostalgia than politics. He remembered that when he arrived in Washington four years ago, House Speaker O'Neill welcomed him to the "big leagues."

(President: "I kind of thought that here in California, we were in the big leagues.")

Today's sentimental journey through California -- and in the highly-stage managed, low risk campaign of a big front-runner -- it was a campaign long on blitz, short on substance, a campaign in which Reagan crystallized his differences with Mondale in a single line.

(President: "He sees an America in which every day is tax day, April 15th. We see an America in which every day is Independence Day, July 4th."

(Cheers))

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Wallace (continued): That combined with Reagan advisers' ploy is two of their greatest advantages -- Mondale's tax plan, and what they call, the new patriotism in the country. There were other parts to the Reagan message -- linking Mondale to the Carter years, and attacking him for a faint-hearted foreign policy, which the Reagan advertising people used to question Mondale's understanding of the Soviet threat.

(TV Coverage: Part of the "some people say the bear is tame..." TV ad.) But the real Reagan message was bigger. Starting with the China trip, then the D-Day series, even the convention movie, which showed how bravely he handled the assassination attempt, (video of each) it was an effort to make Reagan a larger-than-life American hero who made the country feel good.

(TV Coverage: Part of TV commercial: "It's morning again in America....and under the leadership of President Reagan, our country is prouder...and stronger ...and better.")

Reagan strategists say it was a message that went beyond issues.

(Richard Wirthlin: "One of Reagan's strengths was that he was able to speak to people's values, hopes, fears at a much more basic and emotional level than many politicians.")

There is, however, a different view of the Reagan campaign, that it was cynical, manipulative, that protecting a big lead, the President offered pomp and platitudes, but never told what he plans to do the next four years. He certainly never told where he plans to cut spending.

(President: "Take a look at the budgets I've already submitted.")

He never told how he plans to change the tax system.

(Ed Rollins: "You get to specific in a campaign sometimes you alienate people on either side of issues and there's really probably nothing to be gained politically.")

The Reagan camp also decided there was nothing to be gained by letting reporters get close to the President where they could ask questions.

(TV Coverage showing what appears to be a Secret Service or advance man motioning someone away from an area.)

Briefly after doing badly in the first debate, Reagan was accessible to the press, trying to dispel doubts about whether he was still up to the job.

(TV Coverage: President shown walking toward reporters during White House departure.)

But the President hasn't held a formal news conference since July, and for most of this campaign he traveled in a protective shell. Still, if Reagan stuck to his strategy this Fall, it was because Mondale could never force him to change plans. And so Reagan ran the way he has governed -- selling a few themes over and over with his own special charm. His basic message: that the country is in good hands. The message is powerful, as it was simple.

(President: "You ain't seen nothin' yet'!") (NBC-Lead)

CBS's Susan Spencer: For Walter Mondale, this could well be the last day of the last campaign. But cruising along on optimism rather than odds, Mondale defiantly held his last major rally in the President's home state. The crowds fuel Mondale's hope for an enormous turnout tomorrow which miraculously will turn every poll in America on its ear. And so today he was once again emphasizing what's at stake. Taking a leaf from the President's campaign book, Mondale read a letter sent to him by a 12-year-old girl, poor and without a home.

(Mondale: "My dream is to have a house for my family so we can all live together. Don't we need a president who can hear the cry of that child?")

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Spencer (continued): He asked if Americans really want a president who he said ducks and runs from questions.

(Mondale: "We can tell the American people that when the President insults our intelligence every day, he'll pay a price on election day.")

And to the women in his audience, Mondale said his choice of running mate Ferraro is something Republicans just can't understand.

(Mondale: "We know where they stand. They patronized my running mate with snickers and locker room language. (Boos) Geraldine Ferraro is America at its best." (Cheers))

Mondale returns tonight to his home state of Minnesota, and will be welcomed regardless of what may happen tomorrow. (CBS-3)

ABC's Brit Hume: Walter Mondale today did about the only thing he could -- he kept running against the clock, against the odds, and against the seemingly unshakable popularity of the incumbent. Before an estimated 12,000 cheering partisans in Los Angeles, he put the case against Mr. Reagan in the strongest terms, but in words that made clear he knows a Reagan sweep is possible.

(Mondale: "Tomorrow someone will make history. Either we will make history or they will make history. (Cheers) Do you really want them to tell women and minorities that the march toward justice is over?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "Do you want to give them a mandate to impose taxes and raise taxes on working men and women of this country?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "Do you really want to give them a mandate to send American combat troops to Central America?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale put special emphasis today on his running mate and the President's.

(Mondale: "It's a choice between someone who's grown every day in this campaign and someone who's shrunk every day in this campaign.")

He read a letter he said was from an impoverished child, asking his help in finding a home for her family. It seemed to sum up what Mondale believes about government, politics and this election.

(Mondale: "Don't we need a president who can hear the cry of that child? (Cheers)

Crowd, chanting: "We want Fritz!"

At the end, he stood with hands high in the victory sign, knowing better than anyone that the election may be out of reach, but knowing that his spirited finish has no doubt helped other Democrats and perhaps, just perhaps, denied Ronald Reagan the broad mandate he has so boldly sought.

(ABC-2)

Brokaw: For his part, Walter Mondale is fighting to the end, campaigning in California, Iowa and Minnesota on this final day.

NBC's Lisa Myers: (Mondale: "My fellow Americans, there's no escaping it. Tomorrow, someone's going to make history. Let it be us. Let it be us.")

Closing the battle in the President's home state, Mondale was fighting furiously to prevent a landslide -- to deny Reagan a mandate.

(Mondale: "Do you really want to give them a mandate?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "To turn their back on the suffering in America?"

Crowd: "No!"

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Myers (continued): The Mondale campaign was short on glitter, heavy on substance and waged on the issues. If Reagan's America was picket fences and puppy dogs, Mondale's was rusted plants and soup lines. His final plea was an old-fashioned democratic appeal to decency and compassion.

(Mondale: "Let us be a community, a family, where we care for one-another. Let us end this selfishness, this greed, this new championship of carrying only for yourself. Let's pull America back together again. Let's have new leadership. It's time for America to move on.")

There were many other elements of Mondale's message -- that he would be fair to all Americans while Reagan cared only about the rich; that Reagan was tied to extremist electronic preachers who would impose their moral and religious views on others.

(Mondale: "There are many reasons for voting against Mr. Reagan, but one clincher is that if he gets four more years, Jerry Falwell gets five more Justices of the Supreme Court. Don't let 'em do it.")

He tried to blunt Reagan's patriotic appeal by adopting the flag as a symbol of his own, and he said the issue is not who believes in America, but what kind of America he believes in.

(Mondale: "I believe that American should not only stand tall, we should also stand for something.")

He charged that Reagan has made the world more dangerous.

(TV ad: "Killer weapons...and the arms race will rage out of control...orbiting, aiming, waiting.")

The goal always was to turn the election away from a referendum on Reagan's personal popularity. The problem was that Mondale's case often was poorly packaged and confusing, and at times voters seemed unreceptive to both the message and the messenger.

(Mondale: "This is really the hydrogen bomb issue for domestic America.")

Mondale was warning about huge budget deficits, but voters seemed to have an equally ominous view of his plan to increase taxes. He gambled it would give him credibility as a leader. Instead, it made him a pariah in a lot of middle-class households.

(Mondale to crowd: "Would you please be silent.")

Mondale has had trouble getting people to listen. Some say it's the connection with Jimmy Carter.

(TV Coverage: Mondale and Carter pictured together.)

Others believe it's a result of that devastating verdict on Mondale's lack of pizzazz.

(Crowd yelling: "Boring...boring.")

The power of Mondale's appeal to the national conscience also is diluted by his renewed appeal to more parochial interests.

(Mondale: "When you needed these UDAG grants to get going down here in Charlestown, West Virginia, I was there.")

But he says that "being there" is what decency is all about.

(Mondale: "It's not whether our hearts are filled with love for our country -- because they are -- but whether they are filled with love for our fellow countrymen and countrywomen.")

Win or lose, Mondale wants to be remembered as a man of dignity, strength and compassion who fought for what he believed in. And he says he still believes Americans care about more than food on the table and a job, that the basic American values of justice, decency and compassion aren't outdated.

(NBC-2)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

VICE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

CBS's Ike Pappas: (TV Coverage: Woman singing "Proud to be an American.") Vice President Bush has put a patriotic stamp on the final day of his campaign, holding rousing rallies in three Texas cities.

(Vice President: "And so give us those four more years to support the traditional American values of family and faith and neighborhood and work and country.")

Pockets of Mondale supporters showed up at the Denton rally, but they were shouted down by the Republican crowds, who called them jobless, echoing Bush's main theme that the Democrats create unemployment, the Republicans work. In the final hours of the campaign, the Vice President has sharpened his rhetoric.

(Vice President: "Tomorrow is one of the most important days in our country's history. The decision you make at the polls will be one of the most important that you ever make.")

Bush hopes to use the political power and the money that Texas represents as the springboard to the White House in 1988, for the Vice President, in coming back to his political base, ends this campaign but symbolically begins another.

(CBS-2)

ABC's Carole Simpson: Vice President George Bush did his last minute campaigning in his adopted home state of Texas.

(Vice President: "I've just got to believe that tomorrow at the polls the people of Texas are going to shout loud and clear for all America to hear: Four more years. Four more!")

In fact, so certain is Bush of a Reagan victory tomorrow that his final hours of the campaign were spent stumping for others, for Republican congressional candidates like Dick Armey in Denton.

(Vice President: "We need Dick Armey in the Congress; Send him there!")

To also make absolutely certain that Texas and its all-important 29 electoral votes are in the Reagan column, Bush did some last-minute courting of the Hispanic vote.

(Vice President: "The great expression, and you know it here well and we know it in our family, of Hispanic hospitality: Me casa is su casa. My house is your house. But Walter Mondale puts it differently. He says: Su dinero is me dinero. And you know what that means, and we don't want that anymore!")

No one had to tell this audience Bush was saying Mondale thinks their money is his money. By tonight, when George Bush arrives home in Houston, he will have traveled 37,000 miles to 97 cities in 32 states. Despite his trials along the campaign trail, he believes a Reagan victory tomorrow will have made it all worthwhile.

(ABC-4)

CBS's Phil Jones: (Reporter: "Ms. Ferraro, what are your thoughts on (unintelligible) morning?

Ferraro, singing: "The sun'll come out ---")

The Democratic vice presidential nominee was relaxed today as she made her final stops. In Ohio, Ferraro talked about her father's immigration and things bigger than the vice presidency.

(Ferraro: "I'm sure that when he came here, he dreamed that his son would grow up to be president of the United States. (Laughter) I don't think he ever thought his daughter might.")

In Pennsylvania, Ferraro was trying to survive now, not later.

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Jones (continued): (Ferraro: "We're going to win!")

Among the Ferraro campaign staff, victory tomorrow seems very unlikely. But it's also clear that Geraldine Ferraro is not about to take the blame if it's a debacle for the Democrats. As she worked her way home today, there was one final upbeat word to her staff just in case.

(Mondale, on plane: "Just remember how you address me on Wednesday. Just remember.")

If it is Madam Vice President, she will have been viewed as an asset. But if it's just Geraldine on Wednesday, her impact on the ticket will be questioned.

(CBS-4)

ABC's Lynn Sherr: On the last day of her first national campaign --

(Ferraro, singing: "The sun'll come out --")

-- Geraldine Ferraro was in high spirits. But there were signs it is over -- tributes sounding more like the end of an adventure than the beginning of a new career.

(Rep. Mary Rose Oakar: "I'm here to say to Gerry Ferraro thank you for a job well done. We're proud of you.")

When hecklers interrupted her speech for the fourth time, she reacted with the ease of 109 days of experience.

(Ferraro: "I'm listening to the debate back there. It's not bad.

(Laughter) It's stop the covert war in Nicaragua and it's -- what is the piece -- the arms race. You're right. You can keep that up. You're doing better than I am.")

At the airport, her staff -- many met for the first time in this campaign and most seemed eager to return to their jobs in the real world -- posed for a final snapshot. Aboard her charter, which has helped her stump 12 states in eight days, flags and crepe paper lent an end of the trail party mood. At a rally in Pittsburgh, Ferraro repeated her theme that her candidacy had ended men's dominance in national politics.

(Ferraro: "And if you don't understand, Mr. Reagan, then move aside because we're not turning back.")

Ferraro's continued enthusiasm reflects her belief that, whatever happens tomorrow, she has still won something. She insists her candidacy has made it easier for all women. But it is also true that, right now, she is the best known potential female presidential candidate in the country.

(ABC-3)

Brokaw: The two vice presidential candidates wound up their campaigns in their home states: Geraldine Ferraro in New York saying this campaign opens the doors to women for greater opportunities in national politics; George Bush in Texas shouting to crowds, "Keep America on the move." Before arriving in New York, Ferraro addressed a huge crowd in Pittsburgh and when the crowd chanted "We're going to win," she answered, "You bet we are." She also said, "If we want to carry America, vote for Mondale."

(Crowd in Pittsburgh saying "Gerry! Gerry!")

For his part, Bush stood before an enormous flag in Texas and shouted the Reagan campaign slogan, one he hopes will keep Bush employed as well.

(Bush: "Four more years! Four more!")

Bush concluded by saying tomorrow represents the clearest political choice in years.

(NBC-3)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

ELECTION QUESTIONS

NBC's Ken Rode: First question: the Ferraro factor. Will there be a hidden women's vote for Geraldine Ferraro?

(Ferraro: "We're not turning back. It's a new world. Women can do anything.")

What about the Jews? Usually Democrats, this year they warned the Democratic Party about getting too close to Jesse Jackson.

(Rabbi to President Reagan: "May all of your endeavors be capped with triumphs.")

Now they seem to be courting Ronald Reagan. Or he is courting them. What will the Jews do? Turnout. There are at least three questions on turnout. Mondale keeps saying he feels something out there.

(Mondale: "Polls don't vote, people vote, and you're going to pick your own president.")

He thinks wavering Democrats are coming home. Are they? What about black and Hispanic voters? They're difficult to poll. They turned out in huge numbers for Jesse Jackson. Registration numbers are very high, but will they vote? Finally, will the Reagan voters turn out or is overconfidence a problem? The President is worried.

(President at Reagan-Bush headquarters: "I go to bed at night and my last thought is: What if everybody is reading the polls and isn't going to bother to vote?")

How about the age factor? Mr. Reagan admits he's dozes in meetings.

(TV Coverage: The President dozing off during meeting with the Pope.)

Well, the Republicans have commercials. The idea: older is wiser.

(Commercial: Old man: "Did you know the Democrats have control the House for the last 29 years?"

Young girl: "Really?")

Might the voters decide Mr. Reagan is too old? What about coattails?

Reagan and Bush are trying to translate their huge lead in the polls into more Republican seats in the House and the Senate.

(Reagan with Shamie: "All of us need Ray Shamie in the Senate.")

And Republicans in their commercials are asking what they think is a tough question.

(Commercial: "...why do you support Walter Mondale?")

What about the exit polls and network projections? Will they affect the outcome in the West? Politicians say they do; networks say they don't. The pollsters will be out there tomorrow and tomorrow night. Well, we'll see. The biggest question of all: Are the pollsters maybe -- just possibly -- dead wrong? It can't happen you say. Mondale carrying that newspaper.

(TV Coverage: Mondale holding Chicago Tribune headline "Dewey Defeats Truman.")

That's just wishful thinking. Well remember this --

(NBC's John Palmer: "The latest political opinion polls indicate that Walter Mondale could be on his way to a record setting victory.")

That was just one day before Gary Hart swamped Mondale in New Hampshire.

One last question: Will the American voters reelect President Reagan? At the same time, send to Washington members of the House and Senate who vow to vote against his programs? They have in the past. Can it be that they just want the same crowd running everything?

(NBC-4)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

COATTAILS

ABC's Charles Gibson: (TV Coverage: President Reagan and Larry DeNardis at White House ceremony)

It is critical to Republican congressional candidates like Larry DeNardis that Ronald Reagan have coattails. A brief moment with the President becomes a front page picture in the local paper. Then the front page picture goes in the candidates last-minute TV ads.

(DeNardis, in commercial: "I need you help. Put the Republican team back together. We're the best team for you and for America.")

DeNardis was the congressman here, elected in 1980, defeated in 1982, one of 26 seats the Republicans lost two years ago. To be a force in the House again, Republicans tomorrow have to win back those 26 seats. To do that, they have to win districts like this one.

(Bruce Morrison: "This is probably one of the clearest bellweather seats in the nation.")

But the man who took the seat away from DeNardis, Bruce Morrison, is no pushover. Despite the fact the polls show Ronald Reagan leading in Connecticut's Third District by about 20 points, Democrat Morrison leads in the same polls in the congressional race.

(Man, talking to Morrison: "I'm going to vote for you. But I'm not going to vote for -- ah -- Mondale. I'm going to vote for you.")

To win, that's just what Morrison, indeed all Democrats running for the House have to count on, getting Reagan voters to switch parties in the congressional races.

(Morrison: "A quarter of the people who are voting for Ronald Reagan in this district are saying they're going to vote for me.")

DeNardis: "That is simply an unrealistic estimate on his part.")

But that is the central question: Are Reagan's coattails there or aren't they? Larry DeNardis counts on them --

(DeNardis: "It takes two to tango in Washington. It takes a President and a Congress moving together --")

-- while Bruce Morrison worries about them.

(Morrison: "Larry DeNardis can't beat me. If I'm beaten, it's because Ronald Reagan is running so far ahead of Walter Mondale.")

In this race and in so many House races, the decisive factor may well be the Reagan issue.

(ABC-5)

DISCRIMINATION

Brokaw: Attorney General Smith announced that more than 350 federal observers will be stationed at polling places in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and North Carolina tomorrow to be sure there is no racial discrimination.

(NBC-5)

NON-VOTERS

Brokaw: Some of the people who keep track of these things believe there is a good chance that the voter turnout will be up tomorrow after dropping steadily since 1960. Even if turnout is up this time, a good many people still will not vote. Perhaps as many as 80 million altogether. That's nearly half of those eligible.

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NBC's John Hart reports on some of the non-voters and the reasons why they are not voting. The biggest bloc of non-voters is at the low end of income and education. There is no racial pattern. Others got turned off by the political process and dropped out. Some are non-starters or don't care.... The question remains open as to where the non-voting begins -- the people failing the system or the other way around. (NBC-9)

ISLAMIC JIHAD

CBS's David Martin: U.S. officials say Syria is providing unexpected help against the Iranian terrorist threat by denying Iran use of its airspace, thereby complicating any Iranian attempt to fly a small, explosives-laden plane into the American ambassador's residence in Beirut. The U.S. has taken steps of its own to block an air attack by erecting an air defense network of radars and missiles around the ambassador's residence. At the same time, about 35 U.S. trainers have been temporarily withdrawn from Lebanon until after the U.S. presidential election, reducing the number of Americans in Beirut to the absolute minimum. With Lebanon at such a high state of alert, the Iranian-backed terrorists may attempt to strike against Americans elsewhere in the Middle East. State Department officials say American embassies throughout the region have told to move up vacation schedules and send people on temporary assignment home. Saudi Arabia is just across the Persian Gulf from Iranian airbases where small planes are known to operate. But U.S. officials point out that Saudi Arabia, with its own F-15s guided by American AWACS planes, has a strong air defense. Iranian-backed terrorists have long said their goal is to drive Americans out of Lebanon. For the moment it seems they have all but achieved that goal -- at least until after tomorrow's election. (CBS-6)

ABC's John McWethy: U.S. Embassies in three Middle Eastern countries are virtually empty tonight because of terrorist threats of violence. The American ambassador's residence in Beirut, Lebanon, which has served as the embassy since terrorists bombed the main complex in September, has had little more than security people in it for the last two weeks. The ambassador and most of his staff are out of the country. Now it has been learned that two other facilities are regarded as high-risk -- the embassy in Kuwait and the embassy in Jordan. Both have had most high- and mid-level staff members ordered out of the region as well -- at least until after tomorrow's election. After that, State Department sources say, there will be a reassessment of the terrorist threat. News that three U.S. Embassies in the Middle East have had most staff members evacuated comes in the wake of still more terrorist threats over the weekend. The so-called Islamic Holy War warned that it would hit American facilities in the region shortly and vowed that President Reagan would not finish a second term. In Washington, where the threats are being taken very seriously, security measures on Capitol Hill took on a new look, with heavy trucks, including a garbage truck, blocking entrances to the Capitol in off hours. Officials say the security experiment will continue for at least a month.

(ABC-6)

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CHERNENKO

Jennings: On this eve of the presidential election, the Soviet leader went on the Soviet television tonight to once again blame America and its allies for world tension. Mr. Chernenko said the U.S. had set itself what he called the insane goal of achieving military superiority. He said the Soviet Union would never permit that to happen. (ABC-7, CBS-13)

HOME KNITTING

The Labor Department issued regulations allowing the home knitting industry to continue in New England, so long as the companies hiring the workers get government certificates. (CBS-9, NBC-7)

NICARAGUA

The results of Nicaragua's election won't be in until later in the week, but it is already clear the Sandinistas won a sizable majority. The State Department has called the procedure a farce. Hundreds of foreign observers issued a statement saying the election was fair. Despite a boycott, 80 percent of those eligible voted. (ABC-8)

INDIA

The ashes of Indira Gandhi were removed today to begin a journey to India's 22 states for memorial ceremonies. (CBS-5, NBC-8, ABC-10)

POLAND

CBS's John Shahan talks with Polish dissidents who say that, before Fr. Popieluszko's murder, they were kidnapped, beaten and threatened with a similar fate. (CBS-11)

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

U.S. Alerts Military to Possible Terrorism -- The U.S. has moved three aircraft carriers into strategic positions and alerted numerous military units in reaction to warnings that terrorists may strike in the Mideast and elsewhere during the U.S. election period, government officials said. (Baltimore Sun)

Sandinistas Winning in Nicaragua; U.S. Calls Vote a Farce -- The Sandinista front claimed victory in nationwide elections as early returns gave it a 2-1 lead over all of the of the contesting opposition parties combined. (Washington Post, Reuter)

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NATIONAL NEWS

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(James Dickenson, Washington Post, A1)

Reagan, Mondale at Home As America Votes

Americans were voting after final campaign appeals in which President Reagan asked for renewal of his conservative mandate, saying "our work is not finished," while Mondale defined the election as a choice between "decency" and "self-interest." In a 22-minute television commercial broadcast on the three major networks Monday night, Reagan said America had made an "amazing comeback." But, he added, "We still have much to do -- to make our families more secure, to help many of you on our farms, in our inner cities, or working in older industries not yet back on their feet."

Mondale's closing appeal was in a five-minute commercial, broadcast 11 times Monday, in which he said, "I'd rather be an underdog in a campaign about decency than to be ahead in a campaign only about self-interest." (Donald Rothberg, AP)

REAGAN EVOKES FUTURE AS CAMPAIGN WINDS UP

LOS ANGELES -- President Reagan wound up his campaign tonight, in the state where his political career began, with a nationally televised appeal for "the future of this dream we call America." Reagan's half-hour speech, taped Wednesday at the White House, concluded a final day of campaigning in which his strategists predicted a landslide victory and the President repeatedly evoked the future in phrases stressing his themes and style of the past. Reagan's final day of campaigning was festive and nostalgic, marked by balloons, bands and fireworks and a return to the state capitol where he said he was "happy to be with old friends now as we reach the closing moments of this campaign." (Lou Cannon, Washington Post, A12)

Reagan Promises He'll Fulfill Trust

President Reagan wound up his drive for reelection with a nostalgic tour of his home state and a nationally televised promise to be worthy of the voters' trust in what is shaping up as a Republican landslide. His televised address was perhaps one of the better and more stirring speeches Mr. Reagan has delivered, even though it was a paid commercial. But when he spoke of his Democratic opponents, he said, "Despite their good intentions, I don't believe they place enough faith in the people. They do everything they can to save us from prosperity."

(Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A1)

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Reagan/Last Day

SAN DIEGO -- A nostalgic President Reagan concluded the last day of his last political campaign by pledging to pursue nuclear disarmament in a second term and aiming to extend his legacy "into the next decade and beyond." With the political commercial and three rallies in his home state, the 73-year-old President wound up the final campaign of his 20-year political career. Flanked by his wife, Nancy, and singer Frank Sinatra, Reagan joined Wayne Newton in singing "American the Beautiful" as hundreds of balloons ascended skyward and a stunt skydiving team floated down through the crowd. Though he steadfastly refused to predict victory despite his overwhelming lead in the polls, Reagan's televised message made it clear he wanted his conservative philosophy to endure far beyond four more years. (Maureen Santini, AP)

MONDALE, IN FINAL PLEA, CALLS FOR 'BIGGEST UPSET'

LOS ANGELES -- Walter Mondale made a final appeal from the valley of his political foe, calling on California and the nation to deny the Republicans a "historic mandate" and to bring about instead "the biggest upset in history." The large crowds that have marked the closing days of Mondale's campaign continued as the streets were turned into a sea of bobbing red-white-and-blue Mondale-Ferraro placards. (Milton Coleman, Washington Post, A12)

Mondale Hits Hard in 11th Hour Bid

Walter Mondale, lagging badly in the polls at the end of the campaign trail, made a final plea to voters not to let President Reagan "turn your vote into a future you never wanted." To the applause and cheers of thousands of supporters in the hazy sunlight of downtown Los Angeles, he declared, "We can prove that a President can't isolate himself in a question-free zone and get away with it." Mondale cited a letter from a 12-year-old girl who said her family was suffering severely from poverty. Why, he asked, can the Administration "hear the faintest drum but can't hear the cry of a hungry child in the streets?" The candidate, ending some dozen campaign visits to California with a full-scale, celebrity-studded rally that occasionally resembled a rock concert, urged the audience to join him in a historic upset. (Alan McConagha, Washington Times, A1)

Mondale/Iowa

MASON CITY, Iowa -- Walter Mondale, insisting to the end that the pollsters are wrong and that he will pull off a political upset, said Monday that the re-election of President Reagan would let Republicans claim a "historic mandate" to raise taxes and go to war in Central America. Mondale received a tumultuous welcome from a crowd of about 3,000 people at Mason City, a town about a dozen miles from where Mondale grew up. In Los Angeles, Mondale devoted a third of his rally speech to his choice of Ferraro as his running mate. "It's the best choice I ever made," said Mondale, urging a direct comparison with Vice President Bush. "It's a choice between someone who's grown during this campaign," he said, "and someone's who's shrunk." In the last days, Mondale's theme came straight from the Great Society programs of Lyndon Johnson, a pledge to restore the federal government as an instrument to provide help to those in need. (Mike Shanahan, AP)

BUSH TAKES GOP COATTAILS TO TEXAS

DENTON -- Vice President Bush brought the generously financed Republican coattails campaign to his adopted home state as he stumped for three GOP candidates seeking to oust incumbent House Democrats. Here he was greeted by raucous cheers from students, who waved signs with such slogans as "Kick Ass George" and "Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and Reagan-Bush." (Dale Russakoff, Washington Post, A12)

ALMA MATER IS LAST STOP FOR FERRARO

NEW YORK -- Geraldine Ferraro ended her four-month quest for the vice presidency with a nostalgic visit to her alma mater, where she described her candidacy as a symbol "that Americans should be able to reach as far as our dreams will take us." In the face of a likely Republican landslide -- and clearly worn down by the grueling, 12,000-mile final campaign week -- Ferraro delivered an emotionally strong speech for the finale at Marymount College in Manhattan. (Rick Atkinson, Washington Post, A12)

Race Boosted Women, Ferraro Says

On her last day of campaigning, an obviously weary Geraldine Ferraro turned philosophic and talked about what her campaign for the vice presidency has meant to women. Speaking with a hoarse voice, she said her campaign had opened the doors of opportunity for women. Anti-abortion protesters in the back of the small crowd interrupted Ferraro several times. Supporters began chanting her name, but she stopped them. "Don't worry about those people," she said. "We're going to ignore them." (Stephanie Nall, Washington Times, A5)

WOMEN SEE MS. FERRARO'S CANDIDACY AS BREAKTHROUGH

Although Geraldine Ferraro may not triumph this Election Day, many political observers say the promise her vice presidential candidacy holds for American women won't die after the vote is counted. Whatever the outcome, her campaign represents to many observers not just a breakthrough for women in politics, but for all women, of all ages, races and political persuasions. "This is irreversible progress," said Judy Goldsmith, president of NOW. "The door is open and can't be closed again." (Ann Blackman, AP)

NCPAC SEES REAGAN LANDSLIDE, CALLS IT VOTE AGAINST LIBERALISM

Saying that even in the days of George McGovern "we didn't see liberalism" like that shown by Walter Mondale, NCPAC Chairman Terry Dolan predicted that President Reagan will win in 48 states, receiving 58% of the popular vote. (John McCaslin, Washington Times, A5)

SHOTS FIRED AT REAGAN WORKER IN BOSTON

BOSTON -- A gunman fired two shots from a taxi Monday night, missing a campaign worker for President Reagan, and then shouted "Reagan's next!" before fleeing in the cab, police said. The shooting occurred outside Reagan-Bush headquarters near the Boston Common after a confrontation between supporters for Reagan and Mondale, said a police spokesman. (AP)

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A DAY OF HIGH DRAMA AND LOW COMEDY

About 174M Americans are old enough to vote today. More than 74M won't. Nowhere in the world does it cost more to seek public office. In few places in the world do fewer people, proportionally, vote. Still, the numbers are large and the sweep is majestic. This year, 228 people of all parties and splinters filed statements of presidential intention with the FEC. They included 22 women whose prospects were such that nobody even asked about their husbands' finances. Only three people filed statements of vice-presidential intentions, indicating far fewer are interested in flying in Air Force 2. This year there was talk of Ronald Reagan sweeping to an unprecedented landslide. He will have to go some. He will have to beat Richard Nixon, who got the biggest popular vote -- 47,165,234 in 1972. In electoral votes, he will have to beat George Washington, who was unopposed and got them all. (Saul Pett, AP)

REAGAN MUST ACCOMPLISH GOALS WITHIN FIRST YEAR OF 2ND TERM

Why does Mr. Reagan have to accomplish almost all his public policy goals in the first year of a second term? That is because (a) President Reagan will become the quintessential "lame duck" after the euphoria wears off from the big victory that now looms on the horizon; (b) because he faces the prospect of losing Republican control of the Senate in 1986; and (c) recovery and recession are cyclical and nobody believes the present level of recovery can be sustained indefinitely. (Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A4)

CANDIDATES PLEDGE SILENCE UNTIL 11 p.m.

Bowing to concerns voiced by political figures in the far West, where polls close long after election outcomes are known in much of the country, candidates Reagan and Mondale have taken a vow of silence until 11 p.m. EST. (Washington Times, A4)

HOPEFULS HIT THE ROAD -- FOR '88

The Republican list of hopefuls is headed by four familiar names -- Vice President Bush, Dole, Kemp and Sen. Baker. Other likely candidates are Gov. du Pont and Lewis Lehrman. The roster of possible Democratic successors to the Carter-Mondale period is headed by Sen. Hart, Gov. Cuomo, Sen. Kennedy and Jesse Jackson. (James Dickenson, Washington Post, A4)

HOME-KNITTER RULE ISSUED

The Labor Department published a final regulation that will allow manufacturers of knitted outerwear, such as hats and sweaters, to hire people to knit garments in their homes. The rule marks the latest attempt by the Reagan Administration to end a 42-year-old provision of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act that bans firms from using home knitters unless they are handicapped or care for handicapped persons. (Pete Earley, Washington Post, A19)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

U.S. ALERTS MILITARY TO POSSIBLE TERRORISM

The U.S. has moved three aircraft carriers into strategic positions and alerted numerous military units in reaction to warnings that terrorists may strike in the Mideast and elsewhere during the U.S. election period, government officials said. "Everybody has been very nervous about another attack," one official said, citing reported warnings that embassies and other installations could be at risk in Lebanon, Jordan, Cyprus and other Mideast locations. (Charles Corddry, Baltimore Sun, A1)

PASSENGERS FREED FROM SAUDI AIRLINER, HIJACKERS ARRESTED

TEHRAN -- Some 130 passengers and crew of a hijacked Saudi Arabian Tristar were freed in Tehran and the hijackers arrested, the Iranian national news agency reported. Their release came some eight hours after the aircraft, hijacked just after midnight after taking off from Jeddah en route to Riyadh from London, landed at Tehran's Mehrabad Airport. (Trevoar Wood, Reuter).

SANDINISTAS WINNING IN NICARAGUA; U.S. CALLS VOTE A FARCE

MANAGUA -- The Sandinista front claimed victory in nationwide elections as early returns gave it a 2-1 lead over all of the of the contesting opposition parties combined. State Department spokesman John Hughes said, "Regrettably, the Nicaraguan people were not allowed to participate in an election in any real sense of the word. The Sandinista electoral farce, without any meaningful political opposition, leaves the situation essentially unchanged." (Robert McCartney, Washington Post, A1)

Sandinists Lead Polls With 67% of Vote

With more than a third of the polls reporting, the Sandinists have won 67% of the vote, but political observers said the opposition was doing better than expected. Most of the vote for the opposition -- about 23% -- went to two right-of-center parties that remained in the race. (Mary Powers, Reuter).

Sandinistas Claim Big Majority Vote

The Nicaraguan government claimed that 82% of registered voters cast ballots in elections and that the FSLN won an overwhelming number of the votes cast for president and vice president and for seats in the assembly. The Sandinistas appear to have fallen short of the massive support they expected from the populace in Sunday's elections. Projecting the government's own preliminary figures, and taking into account voters who didn't register and others who registered by didn't vote, plus nullified, ballots, the ruling FSLN garnered 48% of the eligible vote, or 52% of the registered vote. (Jay Mallin, Washington Post, A8)

REAGAN SEEN GETTING NICARAGUA MANUAL REPORTS TODAY

Two investigative reports on the CIA's production of a controversial Nicaraguan rebel manual were being dispatched to President Reagan, but the findings are expected to remain secret for several days.
(Robert Parry, AP)

GANDHI SAID OPEN TO BETTER U.S. TIES

NEW DELHI -- India's new prime minister "is certainly inclined to improve relations with the United States," according to an Indian source with access to the inner circles of the new government. The improvements, if they come, will not be made at the expense of weakening India's important relations with the Soviet Union, the source said, and they will depend in part on how skillfully Washington manages its relations with Pakistan.
(Michael Getler, Washington Post, A1)

Congress Called Main Bar to Better Relations with India

The principal obstacle to improving U.S. relations with India is the U.S. Congress, according to reports prepared for Secretary Shultz. Most members of Congress are said by State Department and Pentagon sources to have an image of India as a country that is anti-American and backward, its streets strewn with the dead and starving. In reality, specialists on India agree, India is about a generation ahead of China in most areas of science, technology and medicine, is equally suspicious of the U.S. and the Soviet Union, and can count as its greatest achievement its ability to feed itself and even export rice in good years. Congressional attitudes are, however, expected to become more open-minded, the reports note.
(News Analysis by Russell Howe, Washington Times, A7)

AFGHAN GUERRILLAS LAUNCH OFFENSIVE

PANJSHIR VALLEY -- Resistance fighters have opened a counteroffensive against Soviet and Afghan Army forces in Afghanistan's Panjshir Valley aimed at recapturing positions lost earlier this year.
(Anthony Davis, Washington Post, A1)

CHERNENKO ASSAILS U.S.

MOSCOW -- In a speech delivered on the eve of the U.S. presidential elections, President Chernenko again put the blame for international tensions on Washington. Addressing a group of youth leaders from communist countries, Chernenko stressed that "the course of an arms build up (and confrontation)...is not our policy." Chernenko urged Soviet Bloc youth leaders to beware of the "massive psychological warfare unleashed by the imperialist forces against socialist countries."
(Celestine Bohlen, Washington Post, A25)

SUMMITS USEFUL TOOLS FOR DIALOGUE, BUSH BELIEVES

If he became president during Ronald Reagan's second term, George Bush would find regular summit meetings with his Soviet counterpart useful "as a means of staying in contact rather than an event requiring concrete agreements to be successful," the Vice President has told The Washington Times. But Mr. Bush warned that Soviet-U.S. relations would have to be "on a more productive track before regular meetings are a realistic possibility." He also indicated that, as President, he would plan to retain George Shultz as secretary of state. Regarding the Philippines, the Vice President welcomed the growth of "moderate opposition groups pressing for democratic change." Asked if he would work with similar opposition forces in Latin America, he said he "strongly supported" the Contadora process. Mr. Bush said he would be prepared to normalize relations with Cuba only if Castro "ceased his efforts to subvert and overthrow other governments in this hemisphere and ended his role as a Soviet military proxy in Africa and the Third World." He supported arms sales to moderate Arab states. On South Africa, he stressed that there should be "government by the consent of the governed" but not necessarily an American-style system. Referring to his own negotiations with Japan to iron out trade differences, he said that "protectionism must be resisted. Our record is not perfect on this score, but it is a good one...." (Russell Howe, Washington Times, A8)

U.S. HELPS AIRLIFT FOOD IN ETHIOPIA FAMINE

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia -- Two U.S. transport planes joined a massive international airlift to ferry food to Ethiopia's famine-stricken interior, where modern Africa's worst drought is threatening 8M lives. (Jay Mallin, Washington Times, A6)

U.S. Says Ethiopia Hindered Famine Aid

Ethiopia has become a focal point in the controversy surrounding famine relief, largely because, according to the State Department, its Marxist government has refused until now to provide trucks in sufficient numbers to distribute food in the remote back country. (Miles Cunningham, Washington Times, A6)

ANGOLAN TALKS REPORTED NEARING A CONSENSUS

JOHANNESBURG -- South Africa's latest efforts at regional peace have had mixed success within the past week. Although Angolan security talks have taken a positive turn, efforts toward peace in Mozambique have been stalled. Two days of talks between South African and U.S. officials in the Cape Verde islands ended on a positive note, with South African FM Botha saying, "Progress has been made in respect of broad consensus on a number of important principles," which included the thorny issue of the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola. (Michael Sullivan, Washington Times, A6)

U.S. ASKS TO TEST WEAPONS IN NORTHWEST CANADA

TORONTO -- The U.S. wants to test laser-guided smart bombs, troop-killing mines dropped from aircraft, and more cruise missiles in Canada's vast northwest, the Toronto Star reported in an article about the latest request for weapons tests under a U.S.-Canadian pact. (Washington Times, A5)

NEWS FROM THE STATES

MINNESOTA POLLS SHOW CANDIDATES NECK-AND-NECK

MINNEAPOLIS (UPI) -- Native son Walter Mondale and President Reagan were running neck and neck in Minnesota on the eve of Tuesday's election and Republican Sen. Rudy Boschwitz led Democratic challenger Joan Growe by 12 to 18 points. In Minnesota polls published during the weekend, Mondale held a slim lead in one and Reagan had a narrow lead in the other.

In the Minnesota Poll published by the Minneapolis Star and Tribune, all adults interviewed gave Reagan a lead of 49 percent to 44 percent with 7 percent undecided. Among likely voters, Reagan led 49 to 46 percent, with 5 percent undecided. When undecided likely voters were allocated between the two candidates, the race narrowed to a Reagan lead of 51 to 49 percent. The Northstar Poll of the St. Paul Pioneer Press and WOCO Radio and TV showed Mondale ahead of Reagan 43 to 40 percent among all people interviewed, with 3 percent favoring other candidates and 14 percent undecided. Among likely voters, Mondale led 45 to 41 percent with 2 percent favoring other candidates and 12 percent undecided.

ALL POLLS POINT TO REAGAN IN WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE (UPI) -- If the polls in Wisconsin are correct, it will take a miracle for Democrat Walter Mondale to win the state's 11 electoral votes in Tuesday's presidential election. According to the polls, President Ronald Reagan is the overwhelming favorite in America's Dairyland.

Every one of the polls that has been made public in Wisconsin so far shows Reagan and George Bush with a sizable lead over Mondale and his running mate, Geraldine Ferraro. The latest Milwaukee Journal survey gave Reagan a 24-point lead (59 percent to 35 percent) among Wisconsinites likely to vote.

BIG ALABAMA VOTER TURNOUT PROJECTED

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (UPI) -- Alabama election officials said Monday they expect a heavy voter turnout if the increased voter registration is a good barometer. Secretary of State Don Siegelman's staff said the turnout should be high although his aides said the predictions that President Reagan will sweep the state could dampen some voters' enthusiasm.

OUTCOME OF PRYOR-BETHUNE RACE MAY HINGE ON REAGAN COATTAILS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) -- The outcome of Arkansas' most competitive political race this year, the contest for the U.S. Senate, may hinge on whether President Reagan's apparent popularity extends to Republican nominee Ed Bethune. Reagan visited Little Rock Friday and Saturday to campaign for Bethune and GOP congressional candidate Judy Petty and for his own ticket, which has held a considerable lead over Walter Mondale and may repeat by carrying Arkansas Tuesday. It will be up to a possible record number of voters in the general election to decide whether to extend Reagan's coattails to other Republican candidates in the state. Bethune and Petty likely will benefit most from the president's popularity.

NEWS FROM THE STATE (continued)

GOP SEES 200,000 VOTE REAGAN WIN

HARTFORD, Conn. (UPI) -- President Reagan's state campaign chairman predicted today that Reagan will carry Connecticut by 200,000 votes. A top Democrat disputed the figure but declined to make a prediction of his own. J. Brian Gaffney, a New Britain attorney who chairs the Reagan-Bush campaign in Connecticut, said polls indicate Reagan will win the state by 200,000 votes "and that could go a lot higher." Democratic Sen. Christopher Dodd disputed the Republican's optimism but declined to make a prediction of his own as to how the state will vote Tuesday.

TOWNSEND, ORR CONFIDENT ON ELECTION EVE

Indiana Democrats held an election eve pep rally Monday, predicting "if we win the turnout battle we'll win the election," while Republicans said a large turnout will mean a big victory for Robert Orr and Ronald Reagan. The Democratic ticket sought last-minute television news coverage by staging a rally on the steps of the Statehouse. Republicans were more subdued, quietly celebrating the birthday of Lt. Gov. John Mutz.

PRESIDENTIAL RACE TOPS TUESDAY'S TICKET

Indiana Republicans hope to capitalize on Ronald Reagan's predicted strength in the presidential race Tuesday, while Democratic candidates are trying to stave off any coattail effect in state or U.S. House races.

In its Sunday edition, the Post-Tribune of Gary reported that the number of registered voters in Indiana topped 3 million for the first time this year since 1976. "People register when there's somebody on the ballot they want to vote for," Republican State Chairman Gordon Durnil said. "People want to vote for Ronald Reagan."

PA. TO HELP ELECT PRESIDENT, FILL STATE OFFICES

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UPI) -- The presidential contest between incumbent Ronald Reagan and Democrat Walter Mondale, considered closer in Pennsylvania than the nation as a whole, is expected to have a major impact on the other races. Both parties hope strong showings by their candidate will enable other party hopefuls to ride their coattails to victory. Pennsylvanians also will play a major role in determining the shape of the next Congress, which Reagan or Mondale will have to work with, by electing 23 U.S. representatives. Democrats currently hold a 13-10 advantage in the state's delegation.

HISPANICS WILL KEEP TRADITION OF SUPPORTING DEMOCRATS

SAN ANTONIO (UPI) -- Despite Republican claims of growing minority support, Hispanics nationwide will stick with tradition Tuesday and vote overwhelmingly for Democratic candidates, the head of a voting rights group said. William C. Velasquez, president of the Southwest Voter Registration Education Project -- a non-partisan voting rights group -- Monday predicted that Democrats will capture up to 83 percent of the national Hispanic vote. "It appears to me that the probability is that Hispanics throughout the nation will tend to edge back toward their traditional margins," he said.

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING, November 5, 1984

PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

CBS's Dan Rather: One day to go. President Reagan in Sacramento ending his campaign. Walter Mondale in Los Angeles, winding down his battle for the White House. Election Eve 1984. The candidates tonight wrapped up the last of many months and many miles on the road. President Reagan and George Bush, Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro getting in their last hopes and licks today before you, the voter, gets the final say tomorrow about whether, as the polls indicate, there could be a Reagan avalanche with the only question of a coattail for Republicans seeking seats and effective control in Congress to grab onto, or whether, as Walter Mondale insists, a history-making, come-from-way-behind victory is in the making for the Democrats. Tonight, the candidates went home to await the voters' verdict.

CBS's Bill Plante: Ronald Reagan came home today to California, where his political philosophy was formed. At the state capital in Sacramento, Mr. Reagan was typically leery of predicting the outcome of the election, but willing to talk of his priorities in a second term.

(President: "Number one of all, of course, is peace, disarmament and the reduction in the world of nuclear weapons.")

The President said he would try to resume arms talks with the Soviets, but offered no special inducement to bring them back.

(President: "We won't try to buy them back by increasing offers and so forth. We'll try to convince them that it is to their advantage as well ours.")

It was 20 years ago that Ronald Reagan's political career began with this speech for Barry Goldwater, and Mr. Reagan is proud of how little his ideas have changed.

(President, in 1964: "Where then is the road to peace? Well, it's a simple answer after all. You and I have the courage to say to our enemies: There is a price we will not pay, there is point beyond which they must not advance." (Applause))

So this is it. The campaign is all but over and the President's strategists believe that he is in better shape than they would have ever dared to hope two or three months ago. Tonight, moving through California, they are confident of victory, believing most Americans either like the President or agree with his philosophy of less government and armed strength.

(CBS-Lead)

ABC's Peter Jennings: The campaigning is all but over, the candidates have had their say. Tomorrow the voters get a chance to speak. At this late date there are polls everywhere. The latest ABC News-Washington Post poll, which was completed last night, shows Mr. Mondale getting a bit closer to the President. Mr. Reagan is leading by 14 points, with six percent undecided. (Graphic shows 54 percent Reagan, 40 percent Mondale) Our last survey had the two candidates 18 points apart. Today Mr. Reagan and Mr. Mondale were both making one last push.

ABC's Sam Donaldson: Ronald Reagan began his last campaign day on the steps of the state capitol at Sacramento, where it all began for him as a freshman governor in 1967. He recalled something Tip O'Neill told him when he first came to Washington as president.

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Donaldson (continued): (President: "He rather condescendingly said to me, 'You're in the big leagues now.' And you know something? I kind of thought here in California we were in the big leagues.")
The California crowd appreciated the thought, but today there was little fire. The President delivered his standard lines, such as how the American people won't have to take Walter Mondale's new taxes.
(President: " -- not going to get his tax increases.")
And a small group of Mondale supporters politely chanted back.
(TV Coverage: Tiny group of signs in the middle of crowd)
But so pervasive is the sense of impending victory that it all had the feel of going through the motions. Mr. Reagan, however, remained true to form.
(Reporter: "Gonna win?"
President: "You know, Helen, I never say anything."
Reporter: "Not up to the last minute?"
President: "Not up to the last -- especially not up to the last minute.")
The President's friend, Frank Sinatra, who was along today, was not so cautious.
(Reporter: "Do you think he'll carry all 50 states?"
Sinatra: "He will by all means.")
In fact, as the President traveled down the California coast, his aides revealed their expectations: 45 states certain, four more highly probable, the last one -- Minnesota -- very possible. 49 or 50 with 59 percent of the popular vote. And the President, though not predicting, kept on delivering his standard taunt to Walter Mondale.
(President: "You ain't seen nothin' yet.")
Some campaigns end with a note of excited expectation, others on a note of deep despair. But this one ends almost on a matter of fact tone of business as usual. The Reagan ship of state, barely scratched by the exertions of Walter Mondale, sails on serenely toward its expected landslide, the President toward the opportunities and perils of four more years.
(ABC-Lead)

NBC's Tom Brokaw: This is the eve of the 1984 presidential election. Tomorrow night we'll know who will lead this country for the next four years; the balance of power in Congress, who voted, and why.

NBC's Chris Wallace: Reagan came home to end his last run for office to the California state capitol where his political career began 20 years ago. Aides said they're no longer worried about winning this state, but the President wanted to end up here for personal reasons.
(President: "If the capitol were in California, I'd go for 40.")
Flanked by old friends and supporters, Reagan seemed more in the mood for nostalgia than politics. He remembered that when he arrived in Washington four years ago, House Speaker O'Neill welcomed him to the "big leagues."
(President: "I kind of thought that here in California, we were in the big leagues.")
Today's sentimental journey through California -- and in the highly-stage managed, low risk campaign of a big front-runner -- it was a campaign long on blitz, short on substance, a campaign in which Reagan crystallized his differences with Mondale in a single line.
(President: "He sees an America in which every day is tax day, April 15th. We see an America in which every day is Independence Day, July 4th."
(Cheers))

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Wallace (continued): That combined with Reagan advisers' ploy is two of their greatest advantages -- Mondale's tax plan, and what they call, the new patriotism in the country. There were other parts to the Reagan message -- linking Mondale to the Carter years, and attacking him for a faint-hearted foreign policy, which the Reagan advertising people used to question Mondale's understanding of the Soviet threat.

(TV Coverage: Part of the "some people say the bear is tame..." TV ad.) But the real Reagan message was bigger. Starting with the China trip, then the D-Day series, even the convention movie, which showed how bravely he handled the assassination attempt, (video of each) it was an effort to make Reagan a larger-than-life American hero who made the country feel good.

(TV Coverage: Part of TV commercial: "It's morning again in America....and under the leadership of President Reagan, our country is prouder...and stronger ...and better.")

Reagan strategists say it was a message that went beyond issues.

(Richard Wirthlin: "One of Reagan's strengths was that he was able to speak to people's values, hopes, fears at a much more basic and emotional level than many politicians.")

There is, however, a different view of the Reagan campaign, that it was cynical, manipulative, that protecting a big lead, the President offered pomp and platitudes, but never told what he plans to do the next four years. He certainly never told where he plans to cut spending.

(President: "Take a look at the budgets I've already submitted.")

He never told how he plans to change the tax system.

(Ed Rollins: "You get too specific in a campaign sometimes you alienate people on either side of issues and there's really probably nothing to be gained politically.")

The Reagan camp also decided there was nothing to be gained by letting reporters get close to the President where they could ask questions.

(TV Coverage showing what appears to be a Secret Service or advance man motioning someone away from an area.)

Briefly after doing badly in the first debate, Reagan was accessible to the press, trying to dispel doubts about whether he was still up to the job.

(TV Coverage: President shown walking toward reporters during White House departure.)

But the President hasn't held a formal news conference since July, and for most of this campaign he traveled in a protective shell. Still, if Reagan stuck to his strategy this Fall, it was because Mondale could never force him to change plans. And so Reagan ran the way he has governed -- selling a few themes over and over with his own special charm. His basic message: that the country is in good hands. The message is powerful, as it was simple.

(President: "You ain't seen nothin' yet!") (NBC-Lead)

CBS's Susan Spencer: For Walter Mondale, this could well be the last day of the last campaign. But cruising along on optimism rather than odds, Mondale defiantly held his last major rally in the President's home state. The crowds fuel Mondale's hope for an enormous turnout tomorrow which miraculously will turn every poll in America on its ear. And so today he was once again emphasizing what's at stake. Taking a leaf from the President's campaign book, Mondale read a letter sent to him by a 12-year-old girl, poor and without a home.

(Mondale: "My dream is to have a house for my family so we can all live together. Don't we need a president who can hear the cry of that child?")

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Spencer (continued): He asked if Americans really want a president who he said ducks and runs from questions.

(Mondale: "We can tell the American people that when the President insults our intelligence every day, he'll pay a price on election day.")

And to the women in his audience, Mondale said his choice of running mate Ferraro is something Republicans just can't understand.

(Mondale: "We know where they stand. They patronized my running mate with snickers and locker room language. (Boos) Geraldine Ferraro is America at its best." (Cheers))

Mondale returns tonight to his home state of Minnesota, and will be welcomed regardless of what may happen tomorrow. (CBS-3)

ABC's Brit Hume: Walter Mondale today did about the only thing he could -- he kept running against the clock, against the odds, and against the seemingly unshakable popularity of the incumbent. Before an estimated 12,000 cheering partisans in Los Angeles, he put the case against Mr. Reagan in the strongest terms, but in words that made clear he knows a Reagan sweep is possible.

(Mondale: "Tomorrow someone will make history. Either we will make history or they will make history. (Cheers) Do you really want them to tell women and minorities that the march toward justice is over?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "Do you want to give them a mandate to impose taxes and raise taxes on working men and women of this country?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "Do you really want to give them a mandate to send American combat troops to Central America?"

Crowd: "No!")

Mondale put special emphasis today on his running mate and the President's.

(Mondale: "It's a choice between someone who's grown every day in this campaign and someone who's shrunk every day in this campaign.")

He read a letter he said was from an impoverished child, asking his help in finding a home for her family. It seemed to sum up what Mondale believes about government, politics and this election.

(Mondale: "Don't we need a president who can hear the cry of that child? (Cheers)

Crowd, chanting: "We want Fritz!")

At the end, he stood with hands high in the victory sign, knowing better than anyone that the election may be out of reach, but knowing that his spirited finish has no doubt helped other Democrats and perhaps, just perhaps, denied Ronald Reagan the broad mandate he has so boldly sought.

(ABC-2)

Brokaw: For his part, Walter Mondale is fighting to the end, campaigning in California, Iowa and Minnesota on this final day.

NBC's Lisa Myers: (Mondale: "My fellow Americans, there's no escaping it. Tomorrow, someone's going to make history. Let it be us. Let it be us.")

Closing the battle in the President's home state, Mondale was fighting furiously to prevent a landslide -- to deny Reagan a mandate.

(Mondale: "Do you really want to give them a mandate?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "To turn their back on the suffering in America?"

Crowd: "No!")

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Myers (continued): The Mondale campaign was short on glitter, heavy on substance and waged on the issues. If Reagan's America was picket fences and puppy dogs, Mondale's was rusted plants and soup lines. His final plea was an old-fashioned democratic appeal to decency and compassion.

(Mondale: "Let us be a community, a family, where we care for one-another. Let us end this selfishness, this greed, this new championship of carrying only for yourself. Let's pull America back together again. Let's have new leadership. It's time for America to move on.")

There were many other elements of Mondale's message -- that he would be fair to all Americans while Reagan cared only about the rich; that Reagan was tied to extremist electronic preachers who would impose their moral and religious views on others.

(Mondale: "There are many reasons for voting against Mr. Reagan, but one clincher is that if he gets four more years, Jerry Falwell gets five more Justices of the Supreme Court. Don't let 'em do it.")

He tried to blunt Reagan's patriotic appeal by adopting the flag as a symbol of his own, and he said the issue is not who believes in America, but what kind of America he believes in.

(Mondale: "I believe that American should not only stand tall, we should also stand for something.")

He charged that Reagan has made the world more dangerous.

(TV ad: "Killer weapons...and the arms race will rage out of control...orbiting, aiming, waiting.")

The goal always was to turn the election away from a referendum on Reagan's personal popularity. The problem was that Mondale's case often was poorly packaged and confusing, and at times voters seemed unreceptive to both the message and the messenger.

(Mondale: "This is really the hydrogen bomb issue for domestic America.") Mondale was warning about huge budget deficits, but voters seemed to have an equally ominous view of his plan to increase taxes. He gambled it would give him credibility as a leader. Instead, it made him a pariah in a lot of middle-class households.

(Mondale to crowd: "Would you please be silent.")

Mondale has had trouble getting people to listen. Some say it's the connection with Jimmy Carter.

(TV Coverage: Mondale and Carter pictured together.)

Others believe it's a result of that devastating verdict on Mondale's lack of pizzazz.

(Crowd yelling: "Boring...boring.")

The power of Mondale's appeal to the national conscience also is diluted by his renewed appeal to more parochial interests.

(Mondale: "When you needed these UDAG grants to get going down here in Charlestown, West Virginia, I was there.")

But he says that "being there" is what decency is all about.

(Mondale: "It's not whether our hearts are filled with love for our country -- because they are -- but whether they are filled with love for our fellow countrymen and countrywomen.")

Win or lose, Mondale wants to be remembered as a man of dignity, strength and compassion who fought for what he believed in. And he says he still believes Americans care about more than food on the table and a job, that the basic American values of justice, decency and compassion aren't outdated.

(NBC-2)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

VICE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

CBS's Ike Pappas: (TV Coverage: Woman singing "Proud to be an American.") Vice President Bush has put a patriotic stamp on the final day of his campaign, holding rousing rallies in three Texas cities.

(Vice President: "And so give us those four more years to support the traditional American values of family and faith and neighborhood and work and country.")

Pockets of Mondale supporters showed up at the Denton rally, but they were shouted down by the Republican crowds, who called them jobless, echoing Bush's main theme that the Democrats create unemployment, the Republicans work. In the final hours of the campaign, the Vice President has sharpened his rhetoric.

(Vice President: "Tomorrow is one of the most important days in our country's history. The decision you make at the polls will be one of the most important that you ever make.")

Bush hopes to use the political power and the money that Texas represents as the springboard to the White House in 1988, for the Vice President, in coming back to his political base, ends this campaign but symbolically begins another.

(CBS-2)

ABC's Carole Simpson: Vice President George Bush did his last minute campaigning in his adopted home state of Texas.

(Vice President: "I've just got to believe that tomorrow at the polls the people of Texas are going to shout loud and clear for all America to hear: Four more years. Four more!")

In fact, so certain is Bush of a Reagan victory tomorrow that his final hours of the campaign were spent stumping for others, for Republican congressional candidates like Dick Armey in Denton.

(Vice President: "We need Dick Armey in the Congress. Send him there!")

To also make absolutely certain that Texas and its all-important 29 electoral votes are in the Reagan column, Bush did some last-minute courting of the Hispanic vote.

(Vice President: "The great expression, and you know it here well and we know it in our family, of Hispanic hospitality: Me casa is su casa. My house is your house. But Walter Mondale puts it differently. He says: Su dinero is me dinero. And you know what that means, and we don't want that anymore!")

No one had to tell this audience Bush was saying Mondale thinks their money is his money. By tonight, when George Bush arrives home in Houston, he will have traveled 37,000 miles to 97 cities in 32 states. Despite his trials along the campaign trail, he believes a Reagan victory tomorrow will have made it all worthwhile.

(ABC-4)

CBS's Phil Jones: (Reporter: "Ms. Ferraro, what are your thoughts on (unintelligible) morning?

Ferraro, singing: "The sun'll come out --")

The Democratic vice presidential nominee was relaxed today as she made her final stops. In Ohio, Ferraro talked about her father's immigration and things bigger than the vice presidency.

(Ferraro: "I'm sure that when he came here, he dreamed that his son would grow up to be president of the United States. (Laughter) I don't think he ever thought his daughter might.")

In Pennsylvania, Ferraro was trying to survive now, not later.

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Jones (continued): (Ferraro: "We're going to win!")

Among the Ferraro campaign staff, victory tomorrow seems very unlikely. But it's also clear that Geraldine Ferraro is not about to take the blame if it's a debacle for the Democrats. As she worked her way home today, there was one final upbeat word to her staff just in case.

(Mondale, on plane: "Just remember how you address me on Wednesday. Just remember.")

If it is Madam Vice President, she will have been viewed as an asset. But if it's just Geraldine on Wednesday, her impact on the ticket will be questioned.
(CBS-4)

ABC's Lynn Sherr: On the last day of her first national campaign --

(Ferraro, singing: "The sun'll come out --")

-- Geraldine Ferraro was in high spirits. But there were signs it is over -- tributes sounding more like the end of an adventure than the beginning of a new career.

(Rep. Mary Rose Oakar: "I'm here to say to Gerry Ferraro thank you for a job well done. We're proud of you.")

When hecklers interrupted her speech for the fourth time, she reacted with the ease of 109 days of experience.

(Ferraro: "I'm listening to the debate back there. It's not bad.

(Laughter) It's stop the covert war in Nicaragua and it's -- what is the piece -- the arms race. You're right. You can keep that up. You're doing better than I am.")

At the airport, her staff -- many met for the first time in this campaign and most seemed eager to return to their jobs in the real world -- posed for a final snapshot. Aboard her charter, which has helped her stump 12 states in eight days, flags and crepe paper lent an end of the trail party mood. At a rally in Pittsburgh, Ferraro repeated her theme that her candidacy had ended men's dominance in national politics.

(Ferraro: "And if you don't understand, Mr. Reagan, then move aside because we're not turning back.")

Ferraro's continued enthusiasm reflects her belief that, whatever happens tomorrow, she has still won something. She insists her candidacy has made it easier for all women. But it is also true that, right now, she is the best known potential female presidential candidate in the country.

(ABC-3)

Brokaw: The two vice presidential candidates wound up their campaigns in their home states: Geraldine Ferraro in New York saying this campaign opens the doors to women for greater opportunities in national politics; George Bush in Texas shouting to crowds, "Keep America on the move." Before arriving in New York, Ferraro addressed a huge crowd in Pittsburgh and when the crowd chanted "We're going to win," she answered, "You bet we are."

She also said, "If we want to carry America, vote for Mondale."

(Crowd in Pittsburgh saying "Gerry! Gerry!")

For his part, Bush stood before an enormous flag in Texas and shouted the Reagan campaign slogan, one he hopes will keep Bush employed as well.

(Bush: "Four more years! Four more!")

Bush concluded by saying tomorrow represents the clearest political choice in years.
(NBC-3)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

ELECTION QUESTIONS

NBC's Ken Bode: First question: the Ferraro factor. Will there be a hidden women's vote for Geraldine Ferraro?

(Ferraro: "We're not turning back. It's a new world. Women can do anything.")

What about the Jews? Usually Democrats, this year they warned the Democratic Party about getting too close to Jesse Jackson.

(Rabbi to President Reagan: "May all of your endeavors be capped with triumphs.")

Now they seem to be courting Ronald Reagan. Or he is courting them. What will the Jews do? Turnout. There are at least three questions on turnout. Mondale keeps saying he feels something out there.

(Mondale: "Polls don't vote, people vote, and you're going to pick your own president.")

He thinks wavering Democrats are coming home. Are they? What about black and Hispanic voters? They're difficult to poll. They turned out in huge numbers for Jesse Jackson. Registration numbers are very high, but will they vote? Finally, will the Reagan voters turn out or is overconfidence a problem? The President is worried.

(President at Reagan-Bush headquarters: "I go to bed at night and my last thought is: What if everybody is reading the polls and isn't going to bother to vote?")

How about the age factor? Mr. Reagan admits he's dozes in meetings.

(TV Coverage: The President dozing off during meeting with the Pope.)

Well, the Republicans have commercials. The idea: older is wiser.

(Commercial: Old man: "Did you know the Democrats have control the House for the last 29 years?")

Young girl: "Really?")

Might the voters decide Mr. Reagan is too old? What about coattails?

Reagan and Bush are trying to translate their huge lead in the polls into more Republican seats in the House and the Senate.

(Reagan with Shamie: "All of us need Ray Shamie in the Senate.")

And Republicans in their commercials are asking what they think is a tough question.

(Commercial: "...why do you support Walter Mondale?")

What about the exit polls and network projections? Will they affect the outcome in the West? Politicians say they do; networks say they don't.

The pollsters will be out there tomorrow and tomorrow night. Well, we'll see. The biggest question of all: Are the pollsters maybe -- just possibly -- dead wrong? It can't happen you say. Mondale carrying that newspaper.

(TV Coverage: Mondale holding Chicago Tribune headline "Dewey Defeats Truman.")

That's just wishful thinking. Well remember this --

(NBC's John Palmer: "The latest political opinion polls indicate that Walter Mondale could be on his way to a record setting victory.")

That was just one day before Gary Hart swamped Mondale in New Hampshire.

One last question: Will the American voters reelect President Reagan? At the same time, send to Washington members of the House and Senate who vow to vote against his programs? They have in the past. Can it be that they just want the same crowd running everything?

(NBC-4)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

COATTAILS

ABC's Charles Gibson: (TV Coverage: President Reagan and Larry DeNardis at White House ceremony)

It is critical to Republican congressional candidates like Larry DeNardis that Ronald Reagan have coattails. A brief moment with the President becomes a front page picture in the local paper. Then the front page picture goes in the candidates last-minute TV ads.

(DeNardis, in commercial: "I need you help. Put the Republican team back together. We're the best team for you and for America.")

DeNardis was the congressman here, elected in 1980, defeated in 1982, one of 26 seats the Republicans lost two years ago. To be a force in the House again, Republicans tomorrow have to win back those 26 seats. To do that, they have to win districts like this one.

(Bruce Morrison: "This is probably one of the clearest bellweather seats in the nation.")

But the man who took the seat away from DeNardis, Bruce Morrison, is no pushover. Despite the fact the polls show Ronald Reagan leading in Connecticut's Third District by about 20 points, Democrat Morrison leads in the same polls in the congressional race.

(Man, talking to Morrison: "I'm going to vote for you. But I'm not going to vote for -- ah -- Mondale. I'm going to vote for you.")

To win, that's just what Morrison, indeed all Democrats running for the House have to count on, getting Reagan voters to switch parties in the congressional races.

(Morrison: "A quarter of the people who are voting for Ronald Reagan in this district are saying they're going to vote for me.")

DeNardis: "That is simply an unrealistic estimate on his part.")

But that is the central question: Are Reagan's coattails there or aren't they? Larry DeNardis counts on them --

(DeNardis: "It takes two to tango in Washington. It takes a President and a Congress moving together --")

-- while Bruce Morrison worries about them.

(Morrison: "Larry DeNardis can't beat me. If I'm beaten, it's because Ronald Reagan is running so far ahead of Walter Mondale.")

In this race and in so many House races, the decisive factor may well be the Reagan issue.

(ABC-5)

DISCRIMINATION

Brokaw: Attorney General Smith announced that more than 350 federal observers will be stationed at polling places in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and North Carolina tomorrow to be sure there is no racial discrimination.

(NBC-5)

NON-VOTERS

Brokaw: Some of the people who keep track of these things believe there is a good chance that the voter turnout will be up tomorrow after dropping steadily since 1960. Even if turnout is up this time, a good many people still will not vote. Perhaps as many as 80 million altogether. That's nearly half of those eligible.

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

NBC's John Hart reports on some of the non-voters and the reasons why they are not voting. The biggest bloc of non-voters is at the low end of income and education. There is no racial pattern. Others got turned off by the political process and dropped out. Some are non-starters or don't care.... The question remains open as to where the non-voting begins -- the people failing the system or the other way around. (NBC-9)

ISLAMIC JIHAD

CBS's David Martin: U.S. officials say Syria is providing unexpected help against the Iranian terrorist threat by denying Iran use of its airspace, thereby complicating any Iranian attempt to fly a small, explosives-laden plane into the American ambassador's residence in Beirut. The U.S. has taken steps of its own to block an air attack by erecting an air defense network of radars and missiles around the ambassador's residence. At the same time, about 35 U.S. trainers have been temporarily withdrawn from Lebanon until after the U.S. presidential election, reducing the number of Americans in Beirut to the absolute minimum. With Lebanon at such a high state of alert, the Iranian-backed terrorists may attempt to strike against Americans elsewhere in the Middle East. State Department officials say American embassies throughout the region have told to move up vacation schedules and send people on temporary assignment home. Saudi Arabia is just across the Persian Gulf from Iranian airbases where small planes are known to operate. But U.S. officials point out that Saudi Arabia, with its own F-15s guided by American AWACS planes, has a strong air defense. Iranian-backed terrorists have long said their goal is to drive Americans out of Lebanon. For the moment it seems they have all but achieved that goal -- at least until after tomorrow's election. (CBS-6)

ABC's John McWethy: U.S. Embassies in three Middle Eastern countries are virtually empty tonight because of terrorist threats of violence. The American ambassador's residence in Beirut, Lebanon, which has served as the embassy since terrorists bombed the main complex in September, has had little more than security people in it for the last two weeks. The ambassador and most of his staff are out of the country. Now it has been learned that two other facilities are regarded as high-risk -- the embassy in Kuwait and the embassy in Jordan. Both have had most high- and mid-level staff members ordered out of the region as well -- at least until after tomorrow's election. After that, State Department sources say, there will be a reassessment of the terrorist threat. News that three U.S. Embassies in the Middle East have had most staff members evacuated comes in the wake of still more terrorist threats over the weekend. The so-called Islamic Holy War warned that it would hit American facilities in the region shortly and vowed that President Reagan would not finish a second term. In Washington, where the threats are being taken very seriously, security measures on Capitol Hill took on a new look, with heavy trucks, including a garbage truck, blocking entrances to the Capitol in off hours. Officials say the security experiment will continue for at least a month.

(ABC-6)

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CHERNENKO

Jennings: On this eve of the presidential election, the Soviet leader went on the Soviet television tonight to once again blame America and its allies for world tension. Mr. Chernenko said the U.S. had set itself what he called the insane goal of achieving military superiority. He said the Soviet Union would never permit that to happen. (ABC-7, CBS-13)

HOME KNITTING

The Labor Department issued regulations allowing the home knitting industry to continue in New England, so long as the companies hiring the workers get government certificates. (CBS-9, NBC-7)

NICARAGUA

The results of Nicaragua's election won't be in until later in the week, but it is already clear the Sandinistas won a sizable majority. The State Department has called the procedure a farce. Hundreds of foreign observers issued a statement saying the election was fair. Despite a boycott, 80 percent of those eligible voted. (ABC-8)

INDIA

The ashes of Indira Gandhi were removed today to begin a journey to India's 22 states for memorial ceremonies. (CBS-5, NBC-8, ABC-10)

POLAND

CBS's John Shahan talks with Polish dissidents who say that, before Fr. Popieluszko's murder, they were kidnapped, beaten and threatened with a similar fate. (CBS-11)

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TODAY'S HEADLINES

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY (Monday Evening)

CAMPAIGN -- Ronald Reagan began his last campaign day on the steps of the state capitol at Sacramento, where it all began for him as a freshman governor in 1967.

Cruising along on optimism rather than odds, Mondale defiantly held his last major rally in the President's home state.

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(James Dickenson, Washington Post, A1)

Reagan, Mondale at Home As America Votes

Americans were voting after final campaign appeals in which President Reagan asked for renewal of his conservative mandate, saying "our work is not finished," while Mondale defined the election as a choice between "decency" and "self-interest." In a 22-minute television commercial broadcast on the three major networks Monday night, Reagan said America had made an "amazing comeback." But, he added, "We still have much to do -- to make our families more secure, to help many of you on our farms, in our inner cities, or working in older industries not yet back on their feet."

Mondale's closing appeal was in a five-minute commercial, broadcast 11 times Monday, in which he said, "I'd rather be an underdog in a campaign about decency than to be ahead in a campaign only about self-interest." (Donald Rothberg, AP)

REAGAN EVOKES FUTURE AS CAMPAIGN WINDS UP

LOS ANGELES -- President Reagan wound up his campaign tonight, in the state where his political career began, with a nationally televised appeal for "the future of this dream we call America." Reagan's half-hour speech, taped Wednesday at the White House, concluded a final day of campaigning in which his strategists predicted a landslide victory and the President repeatedly evoked the future in phrases stressing his themes and style of the past. Reagan's final day of campaigning was festive and nostalgic, marked by balloons, bands and fireworks and a return to the state capitol where he said he was "happy to be with old friends now as we reach the closing moments of this campaign." (Lou Cannon, Washington Post, A12)

Reagan Promises He'll Fulfill Trust

President Reagan wound up his drive for reelection with a nostalgic tour of his home state and a nationally televised promise to be worthy of the voters' trust in what is shaping up as a Republican landslide. His televised address was perhaps one of the better and more stirring speeches Mr. Reagan has delivered, even though it was a paid commercial. But when he spoke of his Democratic opponents, he said, "Despite their good intentions, I don't believe they place enough faith in the people. They do everything they can to save us from prosperity."

(Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A1)

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Reagan/Last Day

SAN DIEGO -- A nostalgic President Reagan concluded the last day of his last political campaign by pledging to pursue nuclear disarmament in a second term and aiming to extend his legacy "into the next decade and beyond." With the political commercial and three rallies in his home state, the 73-year-old President wound up the final campaign of his 20-year political career. Flanked by his wife, Nancy, and singer Frank Sinatra, Reagan joined Wayne Newton in singing "American the Beautiful" as hundreds of balloons ascended skyward and a stunt skydiving team floated down through the crowd. Though he steadfastly refused to predict victory despite his overwhelming lead in the polls, Reagan's televised message made it clear he wanted his conservative philosophy to endure far beyond four more years. (Maureen Santini, AP)

MONDALE, IN FINAL PLEA, CALLS FOR 'BIGGEST UPSET'

LOS ANGELES -- Walter Mondale made a final appeal from the valley of his political foe, calling on California and the nation to deny the Republicans a "historic mandate" and to bring about instead "the biggest upset in history." The large crowds that have marked the closing days of Mondale's campaign continued as the streets were turned into a sea of bobbing red-white-and-blue Mondale-Ferraro placards. (Milton Coleman, Washington Post, A12)

Mondale Hits Hard in 11th Hour Bid

Walter Mondale, lagging badly in the polls at the end of the campaign trail, made a final plea to voters not to let President Reagan "turn your vote into a future you never wanted." To the applause and cheers of thousands of supporters in the hazy sunlight of downtown Los Angeles, he declared, "We can prove that a President can't isolate himself in a question-free zone and get away with it." Mondale cited a letter from a 12-year-old girl who said her family was suffering severely from poverty. Why, he asked, can the Administration "hear the faintest drum but can't hear the cry of a hungry child in the streets?" The candidate, ending some dozen campaign visits to California with a full-scale, celebrity-studded rally that occasionally resembled a rock concert, urged the audience to join him in a historic upset. (Alan McConagha, Washington Times, A1)

Mondale/Iowa

MASON CITY, Iowa -- Walter Mondale, insisting to the end that the pollsters are wrong and that he will pull off a political upset, said Monday that the re-election of President Reagan would let Republicans claim a "historic mandate" to raise taxes and go to war in Central America. Mondale received a tumultuous welcome from a crowd of about 3,000 people at Mason City, a town about a dozen miles from where Mondale grew up. In Los Angeles, Mondale devoted a third of his rally speech to his choice of Ferraro as his running mate. "It's the best choice I ever made," said Mondale, urging a direct comparison with Vice President Bush. "It's a choice between someone who's grown during this campaign," he said, "and someone's who's shrunk." In the last days, Mondale's theme came straight from the Great Society programs of Lyndon Johnson, a pledge to restore the federal government as an instrument to provide help to those in need. (Mike Shanahan, AP)

BUSH TAKES GOP COATTAILS TO TEXAS

DENTON -- Vice President Bush brought the generously financed Republican coattails campaign to his adopted home state as he stumped for three GOP candidates seeking to oust incumbent House Democrats. Here he was greeted by raucous cheers from students, who waved signs with such slogans as "Kick Ass George" and "Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and Reagan-Bush."
(Dale Russakoff, Washington Post, A12)

ALMA MATER IS LAST STOP FOR FERRARO

NEW YORK -- Geraldine Ferraro ended her four-month quest for the vice presidency with a nostalgic visit to her alma mater, where she described her candidacy as a symbol "that Americans should be able to reach as far as our dreams will take us." In the face of a likely Republican landslide -- and clearly worn down by the grueling, 12,000-mile final campaign week -- Ferraro delivered an emotionally strong speech for the finale at Marymount College in Manhattan. (Rick Atkinson, Washington Post, A12)

Race Boosted Women, Ferraro Says

On her last day of campaigning, an obviously weary Geraldine Ferraro turned philosophic and talked about what her campaign for the vice presidency has meant to women. Speaking with a hoarse voice, she said her campaign had opened the doors of opportunity for women. Anti-abortion protesters in the back of the small crowd interrupted Ferraro several times. Supporters began chanting her name, but she stopped them. "Don't worry about those people," she said. "We're going to ignore them."
(Stephanie Nall, Washington Times, A5)

WOMEN SEE MS. FERRARO'S CANDIDACY AS BREAKTHROUGH

Although Geraldine Ferraro may not triumph this Election Day, many political observers say the promise her vice presidential candidacy holds for American women won't die after the vote is counted. Whatever the outcome, her campaign represents to many observers not just a breakthrough for women in politics, but for all women, of all ages, races and political persuasions. "This is irreversible progress," said Judy Goldsmith, president of NOW. "The door is open and can't be closed again."
(Ann Blackman, AP)

NCPAC SEES REAGAN LANDSLIDE, CALLS IT VOTE AGAINST LIBERALISM

Saying that even in the days of George McGovern "we didn't see liberalism" like that shown by Walter Mondale, NCPAC Chairman Terry Dolan predicted that President Reagan will win in 48 states, receiving 58% of the popular vote. (John McCaslin, Washington Times, A5)

SHOTS FIRED AT REAGAN WORKER IN BOSTON

BOSTON -- A gunman fired two shots from a taxi Monday night, missing a campaign worker for President Reagan, and then shouted "Reagan's next!" before fleeing in the cab, police said. The shooting occurred outside Reagan-Bush headquarters near the Boston Common after a confrontation between supporters for Reagan and Mondale, said a police spokesman.
(AP)

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A DAY OF HIGH DRAMA AND LOW COMEDY

About 174M Americans are old enough to vote today. More than 74M won't. Nowhere in the world does it cost more to seek public office. In few places in the world do fewer people, proportionally, vote. Still, the numbers are large and the sweep is majestic. This year, 228 people of all parties and splinters filed statements of presidential intention with the FEC. They included 22 women whose prospects were such that nobody even asked about their husbands' finances. Only three people filed statements of vice-presidential intentions, indicating far fewer are interested in flying in Air Force 2. This year there was talk of Ronald Reagan sweeping to an unprecedented landslide. He will have to go some. He will have to beat Richard Nixon, who got the biggest popular vote -- 47,165,234 in 1972. In electoral votes, he will have to beat George Washington, who was unopposed and got them all. (Saul Pett, AP)

REAGAN MUST ACCOMPLISH GOALS WITHIN FIRST YEAR OF 2ND TERM

Why does Mr. Reagan have to accomplish almost all his public policy goals in the first year of a second term? That is because (a) President Reagan will become the quintessential "lame duck" after the euphoria wears off from the big victory that now looms on the horizon; (b) because he faces the prospect of losing Republican control of the Senate in 1986; and (c) recovery and recession are cyclical and nobody believes the present level of recovery can be sustained indefinitely. (Jeremiah O'Leary, Washington Times, A4)

CANDIDATES PLEDGE SILENCE UNTIL 11 p.m.

Bowing to concerns voiced by political figures in the far West, where polls close long after election outcomes are known in much of the country, candidates Reagan and Mondale have taken a vow of silence until 11 p.m. EST. (Washington Times, A4)

HOPEFULS HIT THE ROAD -- FOR '88

The Republican list of hopefuls is headed by four familiar names -- Vice President Bush, Dole, Kemp and Sen. Baker. Other likely candidates are Gov. du Pont and Lewis Lehrman. The roster of possible Democratic successors to the Carter-Mondale period is headed by Sen. Hart, Gov. Cuomo, Sen. Kennedy and Jesse Jackson. (James Dickenson, Washington Post, A4)

HOME-KNITTER RULE ISSUED

The Labor Department published a final regulation that will allow manufacturers of knitted outerwear, such as hats and sweaters, to hire people to knit garments in their homes. The rule marks the latest attempt by the Reagan Administration to end a 42-year-old provision of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act that bans firms from using home knitters unless they are handicapped or care for handicapped persons. (Pete Earley, Washington Post, A19)

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

U.S. ALERTS MILITARY TO POSSIBLE TERRORISM

The U.S. has moved three aircraft carriers into strategic positions and alerted numerous military units in reaction to warnings that terrorists may strike in the Mideast and elsewhere during the U.S. election period, government officials said. "Everybody has been very nervous about another attack," one official said, citing reported warnings that embassies and other installations could be at risk in Lebanon, Jordan, Cyprus and other Mideast locations. (Charles Corddry, Baltimore Sun, A1)

PASSENGERS FREED FROM SAUDI AIRLINER, HIJACKERS ARRESTED

TEHRAN -- Some 130 passengers and crew of a hijacked Saudi Arabian Tristar were freed in Tehran and the hijackers arrested, the Iranian national news agency reported. Their release came some eight hours after the aircraft, hijacked just after midnight after taking off from Jeddah en route to Riyadh from London, landed at Tehran's Mehrabad Airport. (Trevoar Wood, Reuter).

SANDINISTAS WINNING IN NICARAGUA; U.S. CALLS VOTE A FARCE

MANAGUA -- The Sandinista front claimed victory in nationwide elections as early returns gave it a 2-1 lead over all of the of the contesting opposition parties combined. State Department spokesman John Hughes said, "Regrettably, the Nicaraguan people were not allowed to participate in an election in any real sense of the word. The Sandinista electoral farce, without any meaningful political opposition, leaves the situation essentially unchanged." (Robert McCartney, Washington Post, A1)

Sandinists Lead Polls With 67% of Vote

With more than a third of the polls reporting, the Sandinists have won 67% of the vote, but political observers said the opposition was doing better than expected. Most of the vote for the opposition -- about 23% -- went to two right-of-center parties that remained in the race. (Mary Powers, Reuter).

Sandinistas Claim Big Majority Vote

The Nicaraguan government claimed that 82% of registered voters cast ballots in elections and that the FSLN won an overwhelming number of the votes cast for president and vice president and for seats in the assembly. The Sandinistas appear to have fallen short of the massive support they expected from the populace in Sunday's elections. Projecting the government's own preliminary figures, and taking into account voters who didn't register and others who registered by didn't vote, plus nullified, ballots, the ruling FSLN garnered 48% of the eligible vote, or 52% of the registered vote. (Jay Mallin, Washington Post, A8)

REAGAN SEEN GETTING NICARAGUA MANUAL REPORTS TODAY

Two investigative reports on the CIA's production of a controversial Nicaraguan rebel manual were being dispatched to President Reagan, but the findings are expected to remain secret for several days.
(Robert Parry, AP)

GANDHI SAID OPEN TO BETTER U.S. TIES

NEW DELHI -- India's new prime minister "is certainly inclined to improve relations with the United States," according to an Indian source with access to the inner circles of the new government. The improvements, if they come, will not be made at the expense of weakening India's important relations with the Soviet Union, the source said, and they will depend in part on how skillfully Washington manages its relations with Pakistan.
(Michael Getler, Washington Post, A1)

Congress Called Main Bar to Better Relations with India

The principal obstacle to improving U.S. relations with India is the U.S. Congress, according to reports prepared for Secretary Shultz. Most members of Congress are said by State Department and Pentagon sources to have an image of India as a country that is anti-American and backward, its streets strewn with the dead and starving. In reality, specialists on India agree, India is about a generation ahead of China in most areas of science, technology and medicine, is equally suspicious of the U.S. and the Soviet Union, and can count as its greatest achievement its ability to feed itself and even export rice in good years. Congressional attitudes are, however, expected to become more open-minded, the reports note.
(News Analysis by Russell Howe, Washington Times, A7)

AFGHAN GUERRILLAS LAUNCH OFFENSIVE

PANJSHIR VALLEY -- Resistance fighters have opened a counteroffensive against Soviet and Afghan Army forces in Afghanistan's Panjshir Valley aimed at recapturing positions lost earlier this year.
(Anthony Davis, Washington Post, A1)

CHERNENKO ASSAILS U.S.

MOSCOW -- In a speech delivered on the eve of the U.S. presidential elections, President Chernenko again put the blame for international tensions on Washington. Addressing a group of youth leaders from communist countries, Chernenko stressed that "the course of an arms build up (and confrontation)...is not our policy." Chernenko urged Soviet Bloc youth leaders to beware of the "massive psychological warfare unleashed by the imperialist forces against socialist countries."
(Celestine Bohlen, Washington Post, A25)

SUMMITS USEFUL TOOLS FOR DIALOGUE, BUSH BELIEVES

If he became president during Ronald Reagan's second term, George Bush would find regular summit meetings with his Soviet counterpart useful "as a means of staying in contact rather than an event requiring concrete agreements to be successful," the Vice President has told The Washington Times. But Mr. Bush warned that Soviet-U.S. relations would have to be "on a more productive track before regular meetings are a realistic possibility." He also indicated that, as President, he would plan to retain George Shultz as secretary of state. Regarding the Philippines, the Vice President welcomed the growth of "moderate opposition groups pressing for democratic change." Asked if he would work with similar opposition forces in Latin America, he said he "strongly supported" the Contadora process. Mr. Bush said he would be prepared to normalize relations with Cuba only if Castro "ceased his efforts to subvert and overthrow other governments in this hemisphere and ended his role as a Soviet military proxy in Africa and the Third World." He supported arms sales to moderate Arab states. On South Africa, he stressed that there should be "government by the consent of the governed" but not necessarily an American-style system. Referring to his own negotiations with Japan to iron out trade differences, he said that "protectionism must be resisted. Our record is not perfect on this score, but it is a good one...." (Russell Howe, Washington Times, A8)

U.S. HELPS AIRLIFT FOOD IN ETHIOPIA FAMINE

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia -- Two U.S. transport planes joined a massive international airlift to ferry food to Ethiopia's famine-stricken interior, where modern Africa's worst drought is threatening 8M lives. (Jay Mallin, Washington Times, A6)

U.S. Says Ethiopia Hindered Famine Aid

Ethiopia has become a focal point in the controversy surrounding famine relief, largely because, according to the State Department, its Marxist government has refused until now to provide trucks in sufficient numbers to distribute food in the remote back country. (Miles Cunningham, Washington Times, A6)

ANGOLAN TALKS REPORTED NEARING A CONSENSUS

JOHANNESBURG -- South Africa's latest efforts at regional peace have had mixed success within the past week. Although Angolan security talks have taken a positive turn, efforts toward peace in Mozambique have been stalled. Two days of talks between South African and U.S. officials in the Cape Verde islands ended on a positive note, with South African FM Botha saying, "Progress has been made in respect of broad consensus on a number of important principles," which included the thorny issue of the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola. (Michael Sullivan, Washington Times, A6)

U.S. ASKS TO TEST WEAPONS IN NORTHWEST CANADA

TORONTO -- The U.S. wants to test laser-guided smart bombs, troop-killing mines dropped from aircraft, and more cruise missiles in Canada's vast northwest, the Toronto Star reported in an article about the latest request for weapons tests under a U.S.-Canadian pact. (Washington Times, A5)

NEWS FROM THE STATES

MINNESOTA POLLS SHOW CANDIDATES NECK-AND-NECK

MINNEAPOLIS (UPI) -- Native son Walter Mondale and President Reagan were running neck and neck in Minnesota on the eve of Tuesday's election and Republican Sen. Rudy Boschwitz led Democratic challenger Joan Growe by 12 to 18 points. In Minnesota polls published during the weekend, Mondale held a slim lead in one and Reagan had a narrow lead in the other.

In the Minnesota Poll published by the Minneapolis Star and Tribune, all adults interviewed gave Reagan a lead of 49 percent to 44 percent with 7 percent undecided. Among likely voters, Reagan led 49 to 46 percent, with 5 percent undecided. When undecided likely voters were allocated between the two candidates, the race narrowed to a Reagan lead of 51 to 49 percent. The Northstar Poll of the St. Paul Pioneer Press and WCCO Radio and TV showed Mondale ahead of Reagan 43 to 40 percent among all people interviewed, with 3 percent favoring other candidates and 14 percent undecided. Among likely voters, Mondale led 45 to 41 percent with 2 percent favoring other candidates and 12 percent undecided.

ALL POLLS POINT TO REAGAN IN WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE (UPI) -- If the polls in Wisconsin are correct, it will take a miracle for Democrat Walter Mondale to win the state's 11 electoral votes in Tuesday's presidential election. According to the polls, President Ronald Reagan is the overwhelming favorite in America's Dairyland.

Every one of the polls that has been made public in Wisconsin so far shows Reagan and George Bush with a sizable lead over Mondale and his running mate, Geraldine Ferraro. The latest Milwaukee Journal survey gave Reagan a 24-point lead (59 percent to 35 percent) among Wisconsinites likely to vote.

BIG ALABAMA VOTER TURNOUT PROJECTED

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (UPI) -- Alabama election officials said Monday they expect a heavy voter turnout if the increased voter registration is a good barometer. Secretary of State Don Siegelman's staff said the turnout should be high although his aides said the predictions that President Reagan will sweep the state could dampen some voters' enthusiasm.

OUTCOME OF PRYOR-BETHUNE RACE MAY HINGE ON REAGAN COATTAILS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (UPI) -- The outcome of Arkansas' most competitive political race this year, the contest for the U.S. Senate, may hinge on whether President Reagan's apparent popularity extends to Republican nominee Ed Bethune. Reagan visited Little Rock Friday and Saturday to campaign for Bethune and GOP congressional candidate Judy Petty and for his own ticket, which has held a considerable lead over Walter Mondale and may repeat by carrying Arkansas Tuesday. It will be up to a possible record number of voters in the general election to decide whether to extend Reagan's coattails to other Republican candidates in the state. Bethune and Petty likely will benefit most from the president's popularity.

NEWS FROM THE STATE (continued)

GOP SEES 200,000 VOTE REAGAN WIN

HARTFORD, Conn. (UPI) -- President Reagan's state campaign chairman predicted today that Reagan will carry Connecticut by 200,000 votes. A top Democrat disputed the figure but declined to make a prediction of his own. J. Brian Gaffney, a New Britain attorney who chairs the Reagan-Bush campaign in Connecticut, said polls indicate Reagan will win the state by 200,000 votes "and that could go a lot higher." Democratic Sen. Christopher Dodd disputed the Republican's optimism but declined to make a prediction of his own as to how the state will vote Tuesday.

TOWNSEND, ORR CONFIDENT ON ELECTION EVE

Indiana Democrats held an election eve pep rally Monday, predicting "if we win the turnout battle we'll win the election," while Republicans said a large turnout will mean a big victory for Robert Orr and Ronald Reagan. The Democratic ticket sought last-minute television news coverage by staging a rally on the steps of the Statehouse. Republicans were more subdued, quietly celebrating the birthday of Lt. Gov. John Mutz.

PRESIDENTIAL RACE TOPS TUESDAY'S TICKET

Indiana Republicans hope to capitalize on Ronald Reagan's predicted strength in the presidential race Tuesday, while Democratic candidates are trying to stave off any coattail effect in state or U.S. House races.

In its Sunday edition, the Post-Tribune of Gary reported that the number of registered voters in Indiana topped 3 million for the first time this year since 1976. "People register when there's somebody on the ballot they want to vote for," Republican State Chairman Gordon Durnil said. "People want to vote for Ronald Reagan."

PA. TO HELP ELECT PRESIDENT, FILL STATE OFFICES

HARRISBURG, Pa. (UPI) -- The presidential contest between incumbent Ronald Reagan and Democrat Walter Mondale, considered closer in Pennsylvania than the nation as a whole, is expected to have a major impact on the other races. Both parties hope strong showings by their candidate will enable other party hopefuls to ride their coattails to victory. Pennsylvanians also will play a major role in determining the shape of the next Congress, which Reagan or Mondale will have to work with, by electing 23 U.S. representatives. Democrats currently hold a 13-10 advantage in the state's delegation.

HISPANICS WILL KEEP TRADITION OF SUPPORTING DEMOCRATS

SAN ANTONIO (UPI) -- Despite Republican claims of growing minority support, Hispanics nationwide will stick with tradition Tuesday and vote overwhelmingly for Democratic candidates, the head of a voting rights group said. William C. Velasquez, president of the Southwest Voter Registration Education Project -- a non-partisan voting rights group -- Monday predicted that Democrats will capture up to 83 percent of the national Hispanic vote. "It appears to me that the probability is that Hispanics throughout the nation will tend to edge back toward their traditional margins," he said.

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NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING, November 5, 1984

PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

CBS's Dan Rather: One day to go. President Reagan in Sacramento ending his campaign. Walter Mondale in Los Angeles, winding down his battle for the White House. Election Eve 1984. The candidates tonight wrapped up the last of many months and many miles on the road. President Reagan and George Bush, Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro getting in their last hopes and licks today before you, the voter, gets the final say tomorrow about whether, as the polls indicate, there could be a Reagan avalanche with the only question of a coattail for Republicans seeking seats and effective control in Congress to grab onto, or whether, as Walter Mondale insists, a history-making, come-from-way-behind victory is in the making for the Democrats. Tonight, the candidates went home to await the voters' verdict.

CBS's Bill Plante: Ronald Reagan came home today to California, where his political philosophy was formed. At the state capital in Sacramento, Mr. Reagan was typically leery of predicting the outcome of the election, but willing to talk of his priorities in a second term.

(President: "Number one of all, of course, is peace, disarmament and the reduction in the world of nuclear weapons.")

The President said he would try to resume arms talks with the Soviets, but offered no special inducement to bring them back.

(President: "We won't try to buy them back by increasing offers and so forth. We'll try to convince them that it is to their advantage as well ours.")

It was 20 years ago that Ronald Reagan's political career began with this speech for Barry Goldwater, and Mr. Reagan is proud of how little his ideas have changed.

(President, in 1964: "Where then is the road to peace? Well, it's a simple answer after all. You and I have the courage to say to our enemies: There is a price we will not pay, there is point beyond which they must not advance." (Applause))

So this is it. The campaign is all but over and the President's strategists believe that he is in better shape than they would have ever dared to hope two or three months ago. Tonight, moving through California, they are confident of victory, believing most Americans either like the President or agree with his philosophy of less government and armed strength.

(CBS-Lead)

ABC's Peter Jennings: The campaigning is all but over, the candidates have had their say. Tomorrow the voters get a chance to speak. At this late date there are polls everywhere. The latest ABC News-Washington Post poll, which was completed last night, shows Mr. Mondale getting a bit closer to the President. Mr. Reagan is leading by 14 points, with six percent undecided. (Graphic shows 54 percent Reagan, 40 percent Mondale) Our last survey had the two candidates 18 points apart. Today Mr. Reagan and Mr. Mondale were both making one last push.

ABC's Sam Donaldson: Ronald Reagan began his last campaign day on the steps of the state capitol at Sacramento, where it all began for him as a freshman governor in 1967. He recalled something Tip O'Neill told him when he first came to Washington as president.

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Donaldson (continued): (President: "He rather condescendingly said to me, 'You're in the big leagues now.' And you know something? I kind of thought here in California we were in the big leagues.")
The California crowd appreciated the thought, but today there was little fire. The President delivered his standard lines, such as how the American people won't have to take Walter Mondale's new taxes.

(President: " -- not going to get his tax increases.")

And a small group of Mondale supporters politely chanted back.

(TV Coverage: Tiny group of signs in the middle of crowd)

But so pervasive is the sense of impending victory that it all had the feel of going through the motions. Mr. Reagan, however, remained true to form.

(Reporter: "Gonna win?"

President: "You know, Helen, I never say anything."

Reporter: "Not up to the last minute?"

President: "Not up to the last -- especially not up to the last minute.")

The President's friend, Frank Sinatra, who was along today, was not so cautious.

(Reporter: "Do you think he'll carry all 50 states?"

Sinatra: "He will by all means.")

In fact, as the President traveled down the California coast, his aides revealed their expectations: 45 states certain, four more highly probable, the last one -- Minnesota -- very possible. 49 or 50 with 59 percent of the popular vote. And the President, though not predicting, kept on delivering his standard taunt to Walter Mondale.

(President: "You ain't seen nothin' yet.")

Some campaigns end with a note of excited expectation, others on a note of deep despair. But this one ends almost on a matter of fact tone of business as usual. The Reagan ship of state, barely scratched by the exertions of Walter Mondale, sails on serenely toward its expected landslide, the President toward the opportunities and perils of four more years.
(ABC-Lead)

NBC's Tom Brokaw: This is the eve of the 1984 presidential election. Tomorrow night we'll know who will lead this country for the next four years; the balance of power in Congress, who voted, and why.

NBC's Chris Wallace: Reagan came home to end his last run for office to the California state capitol where his political career began 20 years ago. Aides said they're no longer worried about winning this state, but the President wanted to end up here for personal reasons.

(President: "If the capitol were in California, I'd go for 40.")

Flanked by old friends and supporters, Reagan seemed more in the mood for nostalgia than politics. He remembered that when he arrived in Washington four years ago, House Speaker O'Neill welcomed him to the "big leagues."

(President: "I kind of thought that here in California, we were in the big leagues.")

Today's sentimental journey through California -- and in the highly-stage managed, low risk campaign of a big front-runner -- it was a campaign long on blitz, short on substance, a campaign in which Reagan crystallized his differences with Mondale in a single line.

(President: "He sees an America in which every day is tax day, April 15th. We see an America in which every day is Independence Day, July 4th."

(Cheers))

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Wallace (continued): That combined with Reagan advisers' ploy is two of their greatest advantages -- Mondale's tax plan, and what they call, the new patriotism in the country. There were other parts to the Reagan message -- linking Mondale to the Carter years, and attacking him for a faint-hearted foreign policy, which the Reagan advertising people used to question Mondale's understanding of the Soviet threat.

(TV Coverage: Part of the "some people say the bear is tame..." TV ad.) But the real Reagan message was bigger. Starting with the China trip, then the D-Day series, even the convention movie, which showed how bravely he handled the assassination attempt, (video of each) it was an effort to make Reagan a larger-than-life American hero who made the country feel good.

(TV Coverage: Part of TV commercial: "It's morning again in America....and under the leadership of President Reagan, our country is prouder...and stronger ...and better.")

Reagan strategists say it was a message that went beyond issues.

(Richard Wirthlin: "One of Reagan's strengths was that he was able to speak to people's values, hopes, fears at a much more basic and emotional level than many politicians.")

There is, however, a different view of the Reagan campaign, that it was cynical, manipulative, that protecting a big lead, the President offered pomp and platitudes, but never told what he plans to do the next four years. He certainly never told where he plans to cut spending.

(President: "Take a look at the budgets I've already submitted.")

He never told how he plans to change the tax system.

(Ed Rollins: "You get to specific in a campaign sometimes you alienate people on either side of issues and there's really probably nothing to be gained politically.")

The Reagan camp also decided there was nothing to be gained by letting reporters get close to the President where they could ask questions.

(TV Coverage showing what appears to be a Secret Service or advance man motioning someone away from an area.)

Briefly after doing badly in the first debate, Reagan was accessible to the press, trying to dispel doubts about whether he was still up to the job.

(TV Coverage: President shown walking toward reporters during White House departure.)

But the President hasn't held a formal news conference since July, and for most of this campaign he traveled in a protective shell. Still, if Reagan stuck to his strategy this Fall, it was because Mondale could never force him to change plans. And so Reagan ran the way he has governed -- selling a few themes over and over with his own special charm. His basic message: that the country is in good hands. The message is powerful, as it was simple.

(President: "You ain't seen nothin' yet!?) (NBC-Lead)

CBS's Susan Spencer: For Walter Mondale, this could well be the last day of the last campaign. But cruising along on optimism rather than odds, Mondale defiantly held his last major rally in the President's home state. The crowds fuel Mondale's hope for an enormous turnout tomorrow which miraculously will turn every poll in America on its ear. And so today he was once again emphasizing what's at stake. Taking a leaf from the President's campaign book, Mondale read a letter sent to him by a 12-year-old girl, poor and without a home.

(Mondale: "My dream is to have a house for my family so we can all live together. Don't we need a president who can hear the cry of that child?")

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Spencer (continued): He asked if Americans really want a president who he said ducks and runs from questions.

(Mondale: "We can tell the American people that when the President insults our intelligence every day, he'll pay a price on election day.")

And to the women in his audience, Mondale said his choice of running mate Ferraro is something Republicans just can't understand.

(Mondale: "We know where they stand. They patronized my running mate with snickers and locker room language. (Boos) Geraldine Ferraro is America at its best." (Cheers))

Mondale returns tonight to his home state of Minnesota, and will be welcomed regardless of what may happen tomorrow. (CBS-3)

ABC's Brit Hume: Walter Mondale today did about the only thing he could -- he kept running against the clock, against the odds, and against the seemingly unshakable popularity of the incumbent. Before an estimated 12,000 cheering partisans in Los Angeles, he put the case against Mr. Reagan in the strongest terms, but in words that made clear he knows a Reagan sweep is possible.

(Mondale: "Tomorrow someone will make history. Either we will make history or they will make history. (Cheers) Do you really want them to tell women and minorities that the march toward justice is over?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "Do you want to give them a mandate to impose taxes and raise taxes on working men and women of this country?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "Do you really want to give them a mandate to send American combat troops to Central America?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale put special emphasis today on his running mate and the President's.

(Mondale: "It's a choice between someone who's grown every day in this campaign and someone who's shrunk every day in this campaign.")

He read a letter he said was from an impoverished child, asking his help in finding a home for her family. It seemed to sum up what Mondale believes about government, politics and this election.

(Mondale: "Don't we need a president who can hear the cry of that child? (Cheers)

Crowd, chanting: "We want Fritz!"

At the end, he stood with hands high in the victory sign, knowing better than anyone that the election may be out of reach, but knowing that his spirited finish has no doubt helped other Democrats and perhaps, just perhaps, denied Ronald Reagan the broad mandate he has so boldly sought.

(ABC-2)

Brokaw: For his part, Walter Mondale is fighting to the end, campaigning in California, Iowa and Minnesota on this final day.

NBC's Lisa Myers: (Mondale: "My fellow Americans, there's no escaping it. Tomorrow, someone's going to make history. Let it be us. Let it be us.")

Closing the battle in the President's home state, Mondale was fighting furiously to prevent a landslide -- to deny Reagan a mandate.

(Mondale: "Do you really want to give them a mandate?"

Crowd: "No!"

Mondale: "To turn their back on the suffering in America?"

Crowd: "No!"

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

Myers (continued): The Mondale campaign was short on glitter, heavy on substance and waged on the issues. If Reagan's America was picket fences and puppy dogs, Mondale's was rusted plants and soup lines. His final plea was an old-fashioned democratic appeal to decency and compassion.

(Mondale: "Let us be a community, a family, where we care for one-another. Let us end this selfishness, this greed, this new championship of carrying only for yourself. Let's pull America back together again. Let's have new leadership. It's time for America to move on.")

There were many other elements of Mondale's message -- that he would be fair to all Americans while Reagan cared only about the rich; that Reagan was tied to extremist electronic preachers who would impose their moral and religious views on others.

(Mondale: "There are many reasons for voting against Mr. Reagan, but one clincher is that if he gets four more years, Jerry Falwell gets five more Justices of the Supreme Court. Don't let 'em do it.")

He tried to blunt Reagan's patriotic appeal by adopting the flag as a symbol of his own, and he said the issue is not who believes in America, but what kind of America he believes in.

(Mondale: "I believe that American should not only stand tall, we should also stand for something.")

He charged that Reagan has made the world more dangerous.

(TV ad: "Killer weapons...and the arms race will rage out of control...orbiting, aiming, waiting.")

The goal always was to turn the election away from a referendum on Reagan's personal popularity. The problem was that Mondale's case often was poorly packaged and confusing, and at times voters seemed unreceptive to both the message and the messenger.

(Mondale: "This is really the hydrogen bomb issue for domestic America.")

Mondale was warning about huge budget deficits, but voters seemed to have an equally ominous view of his plan to increase taxes. He gambled it would give him credibility as a leader. Instead, it made him a pariah in a lot of middle-class households.

(Mondale to crowd: "Would you please be silent.")

Mondale has had trouble getting people to listen. Some say it's the connection with Jimmy Carter.

(TV Coverage: Mondale and Carter pictured together.)

Others believe it's a result of that devastating verdict on Mondale's lack of pizzazz.

(Crowd yelling: "Boring...boring.")

The power of Mondale's appeal to the national conscience also is diluted by his renewed appeal to more parochial interests.

(Mondale: "When you needed these UDAG grants to get going down here in Charlestown, West Virginia, I was there.")

But he says that "being there" is what decency is all about.

(Mondale: "It's not whether our hearts are filled with love for our country -- because they are -- but whether they are filled with love for our fellow countrymen and countrywomen.")

Win or lose, Mondale wants to be remembered as a man of dignity, strength and compassion who fought for what he believed in. And he says he still believes Americans care about more than food on the table and a job, that the basic American values of justice, decency and compassion aren't outdated.

(NBC-2)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

VICE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

CBS's Ike Pappas: (TV Coverage: Woman singing "Proud to be an American.")

Vice President Bush has put a patriotic stamp on the final day of his campaign, holding rousing rallies in three Texas cities.

(Vice President: "And so give us those four more years to support the traditional American values of family and faith and neighborhood and work and country.")

Pockets of Mondale supporters showed up at the Denton rally, but they were shouted down by the Republican crowds, who called them jobless, echoing Bush's main theme that the Democrats create unemployment, the Republicans work. In the final hours of the campaign, the Vice President has sharpened his rhetoric.

(Vice President: "Tomorrow is one of the most important days in our country's history. The decision you make at the polls will be one of the most important that you ever make.")

Bush hopes to use the political power and the money that Texas represents as the springboard to the White House in 1988, for the Vice President, in coming back to his political base, ends this campaign but symbolically begins another.

(CBS-2)

ABC's Carole Simpson: Vice President George Bush did his last minute campaigning in his adopted home state of Texas.

(Vice President: "I've just got to believe that tomorrow at the polls the people of Texas are going to shout loud and clear for all America to hear: Four more years. Four more!")

In fact, so certain is Bush of a Reagan victory tomorrow that his final hours of the campaign were spent stumping for others, for Republican congressional candidates like Dick Armey in Denton.

(Vice President: "We need Dick Armey in the Congress. Send him there!")

To also make absolutely certain that Texas and its all-important 29 electoral votes are in the Reagan column, Bush did some last-minute courting of the Hispanic vote.

(Vice President: "The great expression, and you know it here well and we know it in our family, of Hispanic hospitality: Me casa is su casa. My house is your house. But Walter Mondale puts it differently. He says: Su dinero is me dinero. And you know what that means, and we don't want that anymore!")

No one had to tell this audience Bush was saying Mondale thinks their money is his money. By tonight, when George Bush arrives home in Houston, he will have traveled 37,000 miles to 97 cities in 32 states. Despite his trials along the campaign trail, he believes a Reagan victory tomorrow will have made it all worthwhile.

(ABC-4)

CBS's Phil Jones: (Reporter: "Ms. Ferraro, what are your thoughts on (unintelligible) morning?

Ferraro, singing: "The sun'll come out --")

The Democratic vice presidential nominee was relaxed today as she made her final stops. In Ohio, Ferraro talked about her father's immigration and things bigger than the vice presidency.

(Ferraro: "I'm sure that when he came here, he dreamed that his son would grow up to be president of the United States. (Laughter) I don't think he ever thought his daughter might.")

In Pennsylvania, Ferraro was trying to survive now, not later.

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Jones (continued): (Ferraro: "We're going to win!")

Among the Ferraro campaign staff, victory tomorrow seems very unlikely. But it's also clear that Geraldine Ferraro is not about to take the blame if it's a debacle for the Democrats. As she worked her way home today, there was one final upbeat word to her staff just in case.

(Mondale, on plane: "Just remember how you address me on Wednesday. Just remember.")

If it is Madam Vice President, she will have been viewed as an asset. But if it's just Geraldine on Wednesday, her impact on the ticket will be questioned. (CBS-4)

ABC's Lynn Sherr: On the last day of her first national campaign --

(Ferraro, singing: "The sun'll come out --")

-- Geraldine Ferraro was in high spirits. But there were signs it is over -- tributes sounding more like the end of an adventure than the beginning of a new career.

(Rep. Mary Rose Oakar: "I'm here to say to Gerry Ferraro thank you for a job well done. We're proud of you.")

When hecklers interrupted her speech for the fourth time, she reacted with the ease of 109 days of experience.

(Ferraro: "I'm listening to the debate back there. It's not bad.

(Laughter) It's stop the covert war in Nicaragua and it's -- what is the piece -- the arms race. You're right. You can keep that up. You're doing better than I am.")

At the airport, her staff -- many met for the first time in this campaign and most seemed eager to return to their jobs in the real world -- posed for a final snapshot. Aboard her charter, which has helped her stump 12 states in eight days, flags and crepe paper lent an end of the trail party mood. At a rally in Pittsburgh, Ferraro repeated her theme that her candidacy had ended men's dominance in national politics.

(Ferraro: "And if you don't understand, Mr. Reagan, then move aside because we're not turning back.")

Ferraro's continued enthusiasm reflects her belief that, whatever happens tomorrow, she has still won something. She insists her candidacy has made it easier for all women. But it is also true that, right now, she is the best known potential female presidential candidate in the country.

(ABC-3)

Brokaw: The two vice presidential candidates wound up their campaigns in their home states: Geraldine Ferraro in New York saying this campaign opens the doors to women for greater opportunities in national politics; George Bush in Texas shouting to crowds, "Keep America on the move." Before arriving in New York, Ferraro addressed a huge crowd in Pittsburgh and when the crowd chanted "We're going to win," she answered, "You bet we are." She also said, "If we want to carry America, vote for Mondale."

(Crowd in Pittsburgh saying "Gerry! Gerry!")

For his part, Bush stood before an enormous flag in Texas and shouted the Reagan campaign slogan, one he hopes will keep Bush employed as well.

(Bush: "Four more years! Four more!")

Bush concluded by saying tomorrow represents the clearest political choice in years. (NBC-3)

NETWORK NEWS SUMMARY FOR MONDAY EVENING (continued)

ELECTION QUESTIONS

NBC's Ken Bode: First question: the Ferraro factor. Will there be a hidden women's vote for Geraldine Ferraro?

(Ferraro: "We're not turning back. It's a new world. Women can do anything.")

What about the Jews? Usually Democrats, this year they warned the Democratic Party about getting too close to Jesse Jackson.

(Rabbi to President Reagan: "May all of your endeavors be capped with triumphs.")

Now they seem to be courting Ronald Reagan. Or he is courting them. What will the Jews do? Turnout. There are at least three questions on turnout. Mondale keeps saying he feels something out there.

(Mondale: "Polls don't vote, people vote, and you're going to pick your own president.")

He thinks wavering Democrats are coming home. Are they? What about black and Hispanic voters? They're difficult to poll. They turned out in huge numbers for Jesse Jackson. Registration numbers are very high, but will they vote? Finally, will the Reagan voters turn out or is overconfidence a problem? The President is worried.

(President at Reagan-Bush headquarters: "I go to bed at night and my last thought is: What if everybody is reading the polls and isn't going to bother to vote?")

How about the age factor? Mr. Reagan admits he's dozes in meetings. (TV Coverage: The President dozing off during meeting with the Pope.)

Well, the Republicans have commercials. The idea: older is wiser.

(Commercial: Old man: "Did you know the Democrats have control the House for the last 29 years?"

Young girl: "Really?")

Might the voters decide Mr. Reagan is too old? What about coattails? Reagan and Bush are trying to translate their huge lead in the polls into more Republican seats in the House and the Senate.

(Reagan with Shamie: "All of us need Ray Shamie in the Senate.")

And Republicans in their commercials are asking what they think is a tough question.

(Commercial: "...why do you support Walter Mondale?")

What about the exit polls and network projections? Will they affect the outcome in the West? Politicians say they do; networks say they don't. The pollsters will be out there tomorrow and tomorrow night. Well, we'll see. The biggest question of all: Are the pollsters maybe -- just possibly -- dead wrong? It can't happen you say. Mondale carrying that newspaper.

(TV Coverage: Mondale holding Chicago Tribune headline "Dewey Defeats Truman.")

That's just wishful thinking. Well remember this --

(NBC's John Palmer: "The latest political opinion polls indicate that Walter Mondale could be on his way to a record setting victory.")

That was just one day before Gary Hart swamped Mondale in New Hampshire.

One last question: Will the American voters reelect President Reagan? At the same time, send to Washington members of the House and Senate who vow to vote against his programs? They have in the past. Can it be that they just want the same crowd running everything?

(NBC-4)

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COATTAILS

ABC's Charles Gibson: (TV Coverage: President Reagan and Larry DeNardis at White House ceremony)

It is critical to Republican congressional candidates like Larry DeNardis that Ronald Reagan have coattails. A brief moment with the President becomes a front page picture in the local paper. Then the front page picture goes in the candidates last-minute TV ads.

(DeNardis, in commercial: "I need you help. Put the Republican team back together. We're the best team for you and for America.")

DeNardis was the congressman here, elected in 1980, defeated in 1982, one of 26 seats the Republicans lost two years ago. To be a force in the House again, Republicans tomorrow have to win back those 26 seats. To do that, they have to win districts like this one.

(Bruce Morrison: "This is probably one of the clearest bellweather seats in the nation.")

But the man who took the seat away from DeNardis, Bruce Morrison, is no pushover. Despite the fact the polls show Ronald Reagan leading in Connecticut's Third District by about 20 points, Democrat Morrison leads in the same polls in the congressional race.

(Man, talking to Morrison: "I'm going to vote for you. But I'm not going to vote for -- ah -- Mondale. I'm going to vote for you.")

To win, that's just what Morrison, indeed all Democrats running for the House have to count on, getting Reagan voters to switch parties in the congressional races.

(Morrison: "A quarter of the people who are voting for Ronald Reagan in this district are saying they're going to vote for me.")

DeNardis: "That is simply an unrealistic estimate on his part.")

But that is the central question: Are Reagan's coattails there or aren't they? Larry DeNardis counts on them --

(DeNardis: "It takes two to tango in Washington. It takes a President and a Congress moving together --")

-- while Bruce Morrison worries about them.

(Morrison: "Larry DeNardis can't beat me. If I'm beaten, it's because Ronald Reagan is running so far ahead of Walter Mondale.")

In this race and in so many House races, the decisive factor may well be the Reagan issue.

(ABC-5)

DISCRIMINATION

Brokaw: Attorney General Smith announced that more than 350 federal observers will be stationed at polling places in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and North Carolina tomorrow to be sure there is no racial discrimination.

(NBC-5)

NON-VOTERS

Brokaw: Some of the people who keep track of these things believe there is a good chance that the voter turnout will be up tomorrow after dropping steadily since 1960. Even if turnout is up this time, a good many people still will not vote. Perhaps as many as 80 million altogether. That's nearly half of those eligible.

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NBC's John Hart reports on some of the non-voters and the reasons why they are not voting. The biggest bloc of non-voters is at the low end of income and education. There is no racial pattern. Others got turned off by the political process and dropped out. Some are non-starters or don't care.... The question remains open as to where the non-voting begins -- the people failing the system or the other way around. (NBC-9)

ISLAMIC JIHAD

CBS's David Martin: U.S. officials say Syria is providing unexpected help against the Iranian terrorist threat by denying Iran use of its airspace, thereby complicating any Iranian attempt to fly a small, explosives-laden plane into the American ambassador's residence in Beirut. The U.S. has taken steps of its own to block an air attack by erecting an air defense network of radars and missiles around the ambassador's residence. At the same time, about 35 U.S. trainers have been temporarily withdrawn from Lebanon until after the U.S. presidential election, reducing the number of Americans in Beirut to the absolute minimum. With Lebanon at such a high state of alert, the Iranian-backed terrorists may attempt to strike against Americans elsewhere in the Middle East. State Department officials say American embassies throughout the region have told to move up vacation schedules and send people on temporary assignment home. Saudi Arabia is just across the Persian Gulf from Iranian airbases where small planes are known to operate. But U.S. officials point out that Saudi Arabia, with its own F-15s guided by American AWACS planes, has a strong air defense. Iranian-backed terrorists have long said their goal is to drive Americans out of Lebanon. For the moment it seems they have all but achieved that goal -- at least until after tomorrow's election. (CBS-6)

ABC's John McWethy: U.S. Embassies in three Middle Eastern countries are virtually empty tonight because of terrorist threats of violence. The American ambassador's residence in Beirut, Lebanon, which has served as the embassy since terrorists bombed the main complex in September, has had little more than security people in it for the last two weeks. The ambassador and most of his staff are out of the country. Now it has been learned that two other facilities are regarded as high-risk -- the embassy in Kuwait and the embassy in Jordan. Both have had most high- and mid-level staff members ordered out of the region as well -- at least until after tomorrow's election. After that, State Department sources say, there will be a reassessment of the terrorist threat. News that three U.S. Embassies in the Middle East have had most staff members evacuated comes in the wake of still more terrorist threats over the weekend. The so-called Islamic Holy War warned that it would hit American facilities in the region shortly and vowed that President Reagan would not finish a second term. In Washington, where the threats are being taken very seriously, security measures on Capitol Hill took on a new look, with heavy trucks, including a garbage truck, blocking entrances to the Capitol in off hours. Officials say the security experiment will continue for at least a month.

(ABC-6)

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CHERNENKO

Jennings: On this eve of the presidential election, the Soviet leader went on the Soviet television tonight to once again blame America and its allies for world tension. Mr. Chernenko said the U.S. had set itself what he called the insane goal of achieving military superiority. He said the Soviet Union would never permit that to happen. (ABC-7, CBS-13)

HOME KNITTING

The Labor Department issued regulations allowing the home knitting industry to continue in New England, so long as the companies hiring the workers get government certificates. (CBS-9, NBC-7)

NICARAGUA

The results of Nicaragua's election won't be in until later in the week, but it is already clear the Sandinistas won a sizable majority. The State Department has called the procedure a farce. Hundreds of foreign observers issued a statement saying the election was fair. Despite a boycott, 80 percent of those eligible voted. (ABC-8)

INDIA

The ashes of Indira Gandhi were removed today to begin a journey to India's 22 states for memorial ceremonies. (CBS-5, NBC-8, ABC-10)

POLAND

CBS's John Shahan talks with Polish dissidents who say that, before Fr. Popieluszko's murder, they were kidnapped, beaten and threatened with a similar fate. (CBS-11)

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