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tee to look at all the alternatives and to look and seek how wide a support there is."

Womble said he decided to support Jackson for two major reasons.

"First, he is a Democrat," Womble said, "and, second, the last 24 hours have given credence and credibility to his negotiating skills. It shows that he is deeply committed and involved in trying to help the downtrodden."

"His way of conducting his campaign and involving all people is what the Democratic Party is all about."

Newell expressed similar feelings about the former football player and student body president at North Carolina A&T State University.

"I have watched Jesse all along and I have looked at him at the sit-ins in Greensboro, at the first black caucus in Gary, Ind.," Newell said. "I have watched him move from a real civil rights person to a person who has a great deal of interest in moving this country into the mainstream. And, as a final act, he has moved into the economy and that's what it's all about. Blacks are out of the economy and he wants to put them back in."

Newell said that, if asked, she is willing to serve on a statewide committee in support of Jackson and promises to do whatever she can locally.

"He has proved responsibility and there is really no other way for us to look at it," Newell said. "He is the man of the hour. He is the man for the people."

Vivian Burke, the only black alderman who has not pledged support to Jackson, has been chosen to work on a statewide committee for Walter Mondale.

"If Jackson had announced his candidacy before I was committed to Mondale, I would have gladly supported Jackson," Burke said. But, because she has given her word to Mondale, she said, she will have to live with it.

"Jackson is calling his campaign a Rainbow Coalition, and other candidates also have a right to have a rainbow of supporters," Burke said. "(But) I do want people to know that a vote for Rev. Jesse Jackson is a gain for us in some kind of way."

Bailey said the Jackson's decision to go to Syria was enough to convince him to support his candidacy.

"I've always sort of been with him sentimentally, but now he has really impressed me," Bailey said. "It shows that he has the ability to negotiate. At first, I didn't want him to go; I thought he would go over there and blunder."

But his ability to win Goodman's release, Bailey said, means that Jackson can no longer be ignored.

"Rev. Jackson as a man, even though he is black, will impress a lot of people, black or white," Bailey said. "People will have to reckon with him."



Stephen Carter, a student at the Government/Law Magnet School in Dallas, asked President Reagan about the future of detente during a

White House question-and-answer session arranged for students participating in Close Up, an unusual government studies program largely underwritten by R.J. Reynolds Industries.

Veterans Who Retire From Military Service Receive Retired Pay

Veterans who retire from military service after 20 years, or sooner because of a service-connected disability of 30 percent or more that was not caused by negligence or misconduct, receive retired pay based on rank and length of service.

Out of 30 million veterans in the United States, nearly 1.3 million are military retirees. A quarter of them live in three states — California, Florida and Texas.

Any veteran who takes a civilian job with the federal

government has his or her military service counted toward federal retirement. When federal retired pay begins, any military retired pay stops.

If they are entitled to Social Security, people retiring from federal jobs counting

military service since 1956 have their federal retirement recomputed when they reach 62. The complicated rules can cost the veteran a sudden loss of income and are even harsher on widows whose benefits are cut when the deceased vet "would have

reached age 62."

Known as "Catch-62," this tangle in federal laws is explained in a free pamphlet available from National Economic Commission, The American Legion, 1608 K Street, N.W., Washington,

D.C. 20006.

Veterans can get more information and assistance from any American Legion Post or Veterans Administration Office. — Al Keller, National Commander.

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closed due to a blind curve that they say is dangerous. The intersection is made even more hazardous, say the residents, because traffic from Reynolda Road uses Kent Road as a short cut to Coliseum Drive.

Wood, who represents the Northwest Ward, said she advised the residents to withdraw the petition because she felt the public hearing had the potential of being distasteful.

"... I had been getting all kinds of negative calls -- some of which, and enough of which -- were vicious," said Wood. "I didn't want those citizens to go through a distasteful hearing."

Wood said the negative callers indicated that the board would grant the requests of the petitioners because of their affluent status.

The Public Works Committee, chaired by Burke, voted unanimously to close the road temporarily to see what effects it would have on the traffic in the area. Burke said she was concerned with the negative publicity the matter had received and that the statements made about the citizens of Kent Road were unfair.

"No matter where a citizen lives and how he makes his income has no bearing on a citizen's safety," said Burke.

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