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-- is any indication of what's in store, you probably won't be disappointed come September.

Rough Riding

Q: There's a pothole on Cotton Street where it intersects Broad Street. The pothole is difficult to dodge and continues to damage the front end of my car. The section of Broad Street between Cotton and Fourth streets has some rough places, too. What causes potholes and does the city intend to fix these streets? If so, when?

R.H.

A: To answer your first question, depressions within the wheel path of traffic sometimes develop, says Lucius Oliver, a street supervisor with the city. When this happens, and as traffic continues to roll over the depressions, cracks form in the pavement. If the cracks aren't sealed off in time, water gets inside them, causing the asphalt to break loose. When the asphalt breaks itself loose and works itself out, a pothole is the result.

Oliver and his staff try to keep abreast of where the problem areas are, he says, but it's impossible for them to detect every crack in the city's more than 700 miles of

Low turnout

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dale here, as elsewhere, worried the Jackson camp, said Graves.

"We were a little anxious because we felt the over-50 black vote was going to Mondale," Graves said. "In most other primaries, the over-50 group has gone to Mondale.

"Although the Mondale camp was very low-key in Forsyth County, we were still concerned about it."

Overall, unofficially, Jackson captured 13,300 votes compared to Mondale's 11,266 and Hart's 8,136. Of Jackson's total, 11,319 votes came from Winston-Salem residents. All of the precincts headed by black chairmen, with the exception of Covenant Presbyterian Church, went to Jackson.

Despite the role other factors played in Jackson's strong showing in Forsyth County, noted Graves, his candidate still couldn't have pulled the coup without a heavy black voter turnout.

"Clearly, the black votes carried Jesse," Graves said.

The Rainbow Coalition "is making some in-roads," Graves said, especially among black youth. And whether the fire Jackson's campaign has caused among the nation's black youth can be preserved, he added, is the critical question in months and years to come.

"Beyond taking on Helms and Reagan, we must be about day-to-day grassroots programs and initiatives to keep black youth enthused and involved," Graves said.

Jackson has maintained throughout the campaign that he'd rather finish last with a wagonload of locally-elected blacks than to finish first but stand alone.

In Forsyth County, Jackson didn't have to finish last to allow other black candidates to ride his coattail, but by no means was his wagon full when he crossed the finish line. Mose' Belton Brown hopes to become the second black woman county commissioner, and Evelyn Terry and Bill Tatum will begin gearing up for the general election in November as they continue their quest to increase black representation on the school board.

But the black losers' misfortune can be attributed to reasons beyond their control, said Walter Marshall, acting NAACP president. Marshall cited at-large elections as the reason school board candidate Gordon Slade and Patrick Hairston and Willie Smith, both candidates for county commissioner, didn't ride Jesse's wagon. Marshall termed at-large elections unfair and said they, along with staggered terms, are stumbling blocks for blacks being elected with any regularity.

As Marshall watched the election returns on the monitor, he called Brown's third-place finish and Terry's expected win a "white game," explaining that white voters will single out who they fear less and vote for them.

"Evelyn got the white support," he says. "They (whites) singled out the one they can deal with the best."

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Tom Gilmore, endorsed by the Roundtable for his progressive thinking, did not share the limelight with top vote-getters Rufus Edmisten and Eddie Knox, but he did fare well among black voters.

"If you look at the votes in the black community for Gilmore, Edmisten and Knox, Gilmore was competitive," Little said.

Another progressive white candidate, Mickey Andrews, who challenged Judge Kason Keiger for his seat on the District Court bench, did not win the primary, but it wasn't the black community's doing, Little said.

"The black community was behind Andrews. Most of his votes came out of the black community," Little said. "He just didn't get much white support."

Although the winners are still celebrating the fact that they've captured spots on the November ballot, the real work is yet to come, Little said.

"If Tuesday's turnout is any indication, we have a lot of work to do in November," Little said. "The (white) turnout in November will be much heavier. With the slight margin of victory the black candidates had, it's gonna be difficult to win in November."

The one way to assure that at least some of the enthusiasm among black voters will wear on until November is to stress the desire "to retire Helms and to send Bozo back to Hollywood," Little said.

Still, Little said Tuesday's results should be savored.

"We worked hard to get Jesse's win," Little said. "For the first time in history, we have two blacks winning primaries for the school board and, with a little more tactical maneuvering, (Gordon) Slade could have won. But we have come a long way. We have people who voted today that have never voted before. And that's progress."

public streets. Therefore, a crew is on call that does nothing but fix potholes, and whenever one is called to his attention, Oliver sends the crew out the next day to fill the hole.

In fact, as of this writing, the pothole you were concerned about should have been fixed exactly one week ago.

Got a question you would like answered? Write "Open Line," P.O. Box 3154, 27102, or call 722-8624.

Crime Prevention

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Autobreaking

•3600 block, Glenn Avenue

A battery was taken.

•1300 block, Mint Street

A battery was taken.

Telephone Tips

1. Never give your name or telephone number to a caller until you have positively identified him or her.

2. Remember, if you get an obscene call, you can control the situation.

3. If the obscene caller or unknown stranger ties up your line, go to a neighbor and call the police.

4. Always give the impression that you are not alone.

5. Caution your children about giving information on the telephone.

6. Never tell a caller that your husband is not at home.

7. Don't encourage the twisted mind!

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Correction

Because of a production error on last week's front page, photos of gubernatorial candidate Rufus Edmisten and Jesse Jackson supporter David Martin were switched.

The Chronicle regrets the error and any inconvenience or embarrassment it might have caused the parties involved.

If we make an oversight, let us know by calling Executive Editor Allen Johnson at 722-8624.

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