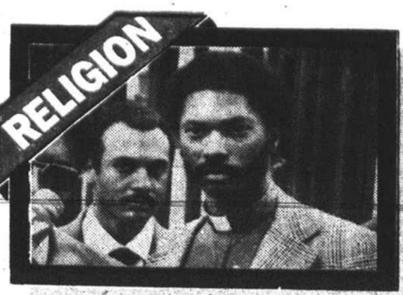




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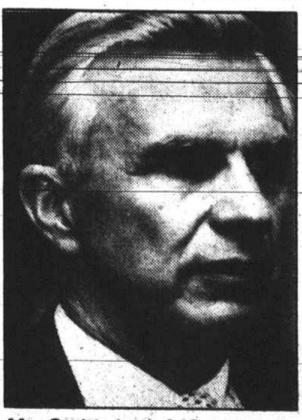
By TONYA V. SMITH
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The Democratic nominee for mayor will most likely go down in history as the come back kid - the lady who rallied from behind and proved that the "people's choice" is capable of upsetting the "old guard's choice."

Martha S. Wood won Tuesday's Democratic pri-

American. They also pointed to an anti-Martha Wood message on Joe Grady's Dial-a-Klan hotline and a billboard along Interstate 40 which called Mrs. Wood a liar and compared her with the Walt Disney character, Pinocchio.

In the GOP corner, Mr. Skidmore said last week that Mr. Sale had been telling Republican audiences that the latter said he would support Mrs. Wood over a Republican. Mr. Sale was allegedly getting his infor-



Mr. Smith lost 143 votes in the Northeast Ward.

ANALYSIS Smith loses black support; Wood gains white, black votes

By TONYA V. SMITH
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Increased voter turnout in the city's predominantly white wards and a continuing strong base of support in the Afro-American majority precincts propelled Martha S. Wood to a victory in the Democratic primary and closer to the coveted mayor's seat.

Tuesday's on again, off again rain showers may have caused voters in two of the Twin City's predominantly Afro-American wards to stay home. In the East Ward voter participation decreased by about two percentage points. However, Mrs. Wood still captured 84 percent of the vote in that ward. Mr. Smith, in comparison, lost 131 votes in the East.

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mary runoff election over G. Dee Smith, 8,933 votes to 8,110. On Nov. 7 the Northwest alderman will face the victor of the Republican runoff, Lenville M. Sale, who beat challenger William T. Skidmore, 1,318 votes to 1,002.

The victories mark the end of tense, heavy campaigning in the respective camps.

Mrs. Wood's camp had accused Mr. Smith's workers of making racial slurs against the alderman because she supported naming the new coliseum after an Afro-

mation from a quote appearing in the Sept. 28 issue of the *Chronicle*. There was, however, no such statement in the newspaper that was attributed to Mr. Skidmore.

Mrs. Wood led for most of the evening during Tuesday's runoff. Repeating her first primary showing, Mrs. Wood again won all three of the predominantly Afro-American wards. In the North Ward she won all six precincts, capturing the ward 1,444 votes to Mr.

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Scenes of rejoicing at the Sawtooth Center mark Mrs. Wood's defeat of Mr. Smith. Top photo, Mrs. Wood addresses a crowd of her supporters; at left, she is congratulated by Earline Parmon and Annie B. Kennedy; above right, Mrs. Wood gets a kiss from her mother.

Smith blames negative campaign tactics for loss; Wood dances

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The Democratic Party's choice for mayor danced into the gallery of the Sawtooth Building to the tune of "Shakedown, Breakdown, You're Busted," and didn't stop until she had hugged each and every one of her support team leaders.

"When Martha Wood gets elected mayor, there's not going to be anymore dealing in the streets. There's going to be dancing in the streets," she declared.

Finally taking the podium, Martha Wood confirmed that her opponent Dee Smith had phoned to concede the run-off and to wish her well. For her supporters, who erupted into thunderous applause, it was con-

firmation that there was a changing of the city's "old guard."

By 9:30 p.m. a crowd of more than 90 Wood supporters had gathered to welcome their candidate to the victory celebration. But less than half an hour earlier, Mrs. Wood's advisers and campaign personnel had huddled anxiously around a portable radio, waiting for the final five precincts to report in.

The race with Mr. Smith remained close with 46 precincts reporting. But Mrs. Wood's victories in the 14th Street precinct, which she won by a margin of 272 votes, and the South Fork precinct, which she won by two votes, secured her victory over Mr. Smith, despite the fact that he won three of the final precincts.

Mrs. Wood said that her victory in Tuesday's run-off signals that

more of the masses will now be involved in the political process.

"Our people are our greatest resource. The people represented in this room tonight are the power base in Winston-Salem," she told the racially and economically diverse group. "My parents brought me up to believe that in the Democratic Party, there is room at the table for everybody. We must use that to our full advantage."

In a race marred by negative campaigning, Mrs. Wood said that she had been called a "divisive" force on the Board of Aldermen. But she said that the true gist of her own campaign hit home to her during a meeting held a few weeks ago at the home of Rep. Annie Brown Kennedy.

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Panel: M/WBE goals should remain intact

By TONYA V. SMITH
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Minority and Women Business Enterprise programs currently in operation across the state and country can withstand a legal challenge, despite a 10-month-old U.S. Supreme Court ruling which may indicate otherwise, if the proper steps are taken to shape them within the guidelines handed down by the high court, said panelists during a workshop at the state League of Municipalities' annual convention.

Afro-American panelists Eva Clayton, chair of the Warren County Board of Commissioners; Andrea Harris, vice president of the N.C. Institute of Minority Economic Development (NCIMED) in Durham; and Geraldine Sumter, an attorney with Ferguson, Stein, Watt, Wallis, Adkins and Gresham Public Attorneys in Charlotte, led the discussion on the topic "Minority and Women Business Enterprises:

Recent significant events in the courts and the General Assembly" during a session on Tuesday.

At the center of their informational presentation was a discussion of the impact that the Supreme Court case of City of Richmond vs. J.A. Croson Co. had and will have on minority participation in the letting of government contracts.

On Jan. 23, 1989, the Supreme Court ruled on the Croson case. Richmond had adopted a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) plan in 1983 which required prime contractors which received city construction contracts to subcontract at least 30 percent of the dollar amount of the contract to MBEs. The city defined an MBE as a business at least 51 percent owned and controlled by "citizens of the United States who are blacks, Spanish-speaking, orientals, Indians, Eskimos or Aleuts." If prime contractors

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Cruisin' Along

Equipped with the latest sound equipment and patriotic paraphernalia, this dedicated cyclist makes his daily trip down Liberty St.

Photo by Mike Cunningham

Parents petition DA on new Honeycutt trial

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The principal who was cleared last week of seven charges of assault on children less than 12 years old is scheduled to appear in court Friday on two additional charges; however, the parents who filed them have asked the district attorney for a continuance.

Angelita Cherry and Peggy Groom, the parents who filed charges last week against William E. Honeycutt, were joined by representatives from the Concerned Mothers of Forsyth County during a meeting with Warren Sparrow Thursday morning.

"We asked for a continuance because we are supposed to go to court on Friday, and we need more time to prepare our babies and the case," said Valerie Hall, assistant to the president of Concerned Mothers. "He said that he would ask the judge for a continu-

ance for us."

The parents wanted a continuance of Mr. Honeycutt's Oct. 10 trial. That date was originally set for Oct. 24 but was changed at the request of his attorney. Parents said they did not have enough time to ready their children to testify and that the assistant district attorney assigned to the case was unprepared. The latter was evident as prosecutor Victoria L. Roemer had to be prompted by a fellow office worker as to what questions she should ask the children who took the witness stand.

Children who were allegedly shoved, kicked and slapped by Mr. Honeycutt took the stand last week in Forsyth County District Court and told of their experiences on a school bus on Sept. 11. The children testified that their principal boarded bus #553 at Mineral Springs looking for a stu-

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