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Jackson's victory: From 'Bloody Sunday' to 'Super Tuesday'

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SELMA, Ala. — For Jesse Jackson and his Deep South campaign army, Super Tuesday may well be a victory march that began on a bridge on Bloody Sunday.

Black marchers seeking the right to vote were routed by Alabama troopers on the bridge at Selma on what became known as Bloody Sunday, March 7, 1965. As that anniversary approaches, black voters are now forming ranks across Dixie to make Super Tuesday, March 8, 1988, a landmark march to the ballot box.

Political and campaign officials say Jackson, the black candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, could win six states — Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Georgia, Virginia and North Carolina — with some whites joining his core of black support.

They say he possibly could run first in Arkansas, may be in the top two in Maryland, and likely will run among the leaders qualifying for rich numbers of delegates in the South's big bookend states of Texas and Florida.

"February is black history month," says Rose Sanders, a black

who brought her Harvard Law School degree back to handle civil

rights work in Selma. "We're telling young people to make super

black history on Super Tuesday."

Eleven Southern states with double-digit black voting percentages are among 20 that hold primaries or caucuses March 8. A 12th, South Carolina, Jackson's home state, holds Democratic caucuses four days after Super Tuesday. More than 900 Democratic National Convention delegates are at stake among this Dixie dozen, with Jackson in position to claim perhaps a third or more.

That would delight his followers and also disturb his critics who see him as an unelectable candidate threatening to fracture his party. It

will take 2,081 delegates to win the nomination at the convention in Atlanta, far more than any campaign operatives or political observers see Jackson cornering.

Rivals such as Sen. Albert Gore Jr., who is expected to win overwhelmingly in his native Tennessee, are angling for their share of the Southern delegates. Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis and Missouri Rep. Richard Gephardt — whose home states are also in the Super Tuesday lineup — are counting on scores of delegates from Super Tuesday states such as

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Lance predicts Jackson win

ROME, Ga. — Bert Lance, budget director for then-President Jimmy Carter, said he expects the Rev. Jesse Jackson to win next month's Super Tuesday Democratic presidential primary, forcing a "brokered" national convention in Atlanta.

Lance, in an interview published in Sunday's editions of the

Rome News-Tribune, said he expects Jackson to win the most delegates in the March 8 primary, in which 20 states, including 14 southern or border states, are holding primaries or caucuses.

That scenario, Lance said, could result in none of the six Democratic candidates having enough

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"When graduation time gets here, I will ... do a holy dance across the stage to get my degree. It seems like it's so far away, but still you realize how quickly time does pass."

45-year-old student adjusts to dorm life

By ROBIN BARKSDALE
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There's nothing too unusual about a college student packing up her baggage in the fall and taking up residence in the school's dormitory. Unless, of course, that college student is the 45-year-old mother of three grown children.

Such is the case of freshman library science student Mary Watts, a transfer student from Statesville who came to Winston-Salem State University in August. Watts has gone the non-traditional label one better. Not only has she returned to school late in her life, but she has chosen to take on the whole collegiate package, complete with roommate, shared shower facilities and cafeteria food.

"I would advise anybody labeled a 'non-traditional student' to give serious thought to going all the way with being non-traditional," said Watts, a resident of the campus' Dillard Hall. "If you come to live on campus, you can avoid a lot of things that you have to worry about when you live off-campus. Don't let anyone tell you that you shouldn't do it because of your age. Age is just a number you put in a space when someone wants to know how old you are."

After her high school graduation, Watts received a full-tuition scholarship to Livingstone College in Salisbury. Although she originally thought she would enjoy home economics she soon discovered that her true interests were in library science. At that time, she said, Livingstone did not offer a library science program. Watts said that while she wrestled with career choices, another option presented itself: marriage.

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Making The Grade

Mary Watts, a 45-year-old mother of three and a WSSU student, spends time working toward graduation (photo by Kim Campbell).

Grisard suspicious of Party's motives

By ANGELA WRIGHT
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Albert F. Grisard Jr., candidate for the Forsyth County Commission, said he questioned the motivation behind a statement recently made by the chairman of the Forsyth County Democratic Party. Grisard said the comments made by Michael R. Wells "kept the issue of race in the forefront."

Wells said at a recent Democratic Party function that he would prefer that the county party nominate an Afro-American to serve on the County Commission.

"With the percentage of blacks in the county, we should have someone personally familiar with the black community's needs," he said.

Wells said he did not intend to imply that white County Commissioners were not sensitive to the needs of blacks. Grisard, a white candidate, said he believed Wells' comments were intentionally divisive and designed so that the "current power structure maintains control."

"No one can be more personally sensitive to those issues than I am," said Grisard, who is the executive director of Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Forsyth County Inc.

Grisard said that when he entered the race, friends had advised him that the local Party would be supporting Gerald Long, Mazie Woodruff and James Ziglar for the three County Commission seats which are up for reelection.

"My guess is that the black candidate they are talking about is Mazie," he said, "but I'm not sure they are in tune with how the black community feels about the candidates."

Two Afro-Americans have declared their candidacy for the County Commission. In addition to Woodruff, Ann Simmons, a Wachovia Bank service representative, is a candidate.

Wells said that he also believed that the other candidates for the commission were "outstanding."

"But putting a minority there ought to be a priority," he said. He said he thought an Afro-American would be elected to the county commission.

"The party ought to place special emphasis on electing a black," he said, "because it is difficult to elect a black in Forsyth County."

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Chief won't discuss complaints

By ANGELA WRIGHT
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The manner in which citizen complaints against police officers are handled by the police department is beginning to raise a few eyebrows. A local minister says he has assisted several residents in filing complaints, but none of those he assisted were ever told the specific outcome of the investigation into their complaints.

The Rev. John Mendez, of Emmanuel Baptist Church, said that in one case the complainant was told only that the guilty officer had "been disciplined." He said that another

complaint he helped a citizen file about six weeks ago has yet to receive a response.

According to Police Chief George L. Sweat, a citizen need only call the police department to register a complaint against an officer. But recent attempts by the Chronicle to determine how many complaints had been filed by citizens during calendar year 1987 — the nature of those complaints and the disposition of the complaints — yielded little useful information.

Assistant city manager Alexander R.

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Sweat

Chavis says economics key to black empowerment

By ROBIN BARKSDALE
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Afro-Americans must actively concentrate on economic empowerment or continue to be shackled by psychological enslavement, the Rev. Benjamin Chavis told an audience at Winston-Salem State University last week.

Chavis, the executive director of the Commission For Racial Justice of the United Church of Christ, said that there is a wave of negativism about Afro-Americans sweeping the country

and that Afro-American communities are buying into it in large doses.

"We must be aware that there is an attempt to psychologically re-enslave our people," Chavis said. "We should be careful about thinking that just because we don't have chains on our ankles that we are free."

Chavis, a member of the Wilmington 10, spent four and a half years in a North Carolina prison during the 1970s before the convictions of the Wilmington 10 were overturned by a court of appeals and their records and names

cleared. He said he could remember a time when "it was all right to be black -- it was a joyous occasion. Then the assumption came, unfortunately, that we had made it and we drifted back to our old ways. In the 1980s, we're not just drifting back, we're being taken back."

Chavis said that such terms as the stock market's "Black Monday," the "black sheep of the family" and similar references are destroying the pride that Afro-American children have in themselves and in their heritage. Afro-Americans, he said, must avoid accepting neg-

ative references which he said are perpetuated by the majority community in the business world.

"I couldn't believe that everyone kept referring to 'Black Monday' after the stock market crash. Black people didn't have anything to do with the stock market crashing," Chavis said. "In the western world and in the business world, when something fails it's something black. I was riding on the subway in Harlem and sisters and

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Man sentenced to NAACP work

CHICAGO — James Kalafut Jr., a white man sentenced to perform community service work for the NAACP after he harassed two blacks, was charged in a second alleged racial incident, an assault on a pregnant woman with an Hispanic surname, police said.

Kalafut was charged with ethnic intimidation, battery and violation of his court-supervised sentence after he allegedly punched a pregnant woman in the stomach and shouted racial slurs at her.

Judge Stuart Nudelman said Kalafut had been caught to hate blacks" and sentenced him to perform 200 hours of community service for the NAACP and one year of court supervision.

Ariz. to consider King Day

HOENIX. — State lawmakers say they believe they will be able to approve a holiday to honor slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. after the impeachment trial of Gov. Evan Mecham.

"I promised the (acting) governor (Rose Mofford) that after the trial's over that'll be one of the first things we'll try to do," Senate Government Committee Chairman John Mawhinney said last Thursday.