

Hunt vs. Helms: point-counter point

By Caroline Brown

Agriculture is one of North Carolina's primary money makers. That is one reason why Neal Rhoades thinks Republican Senator Jesse Helms will benefit the state if reelected.

Rhoades is attorney general of the Student Judiciary Court and a member of the UNCA College Republicans. He said, "Helms is the chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee and this is a very powerful position in the Senate."

Helms is the first agriculture chairman from North Carolina in almost 50 years.

"This is obviously very beneficial to our state since tobacco is such a key part to our economy," said Rhoades.

Rhoades said the position enables Helms to have "an open line of communication to President Reagan."

"His influence with Reagan, whom most polls indicate will be re-elected, is very beneficial to our state," continued Rhoades.

Rhoades expressed admiration for Helms because "he takes a stand and stays with it."

"He's not like other politicians who put their finger in the wind and see which is the most politically favorable side of an issue to advocate," said Rhoades.

Rhoades said Governor Hunt frequently changes his mind on issues.

"I don't think Hunt has the guts to take a stand," said Rhoades.

Rhoades said Hunt and Eddie Knox, who ran in the gubernatorial Democratic primary were "good buddies" when they attended North Carolina State University together.

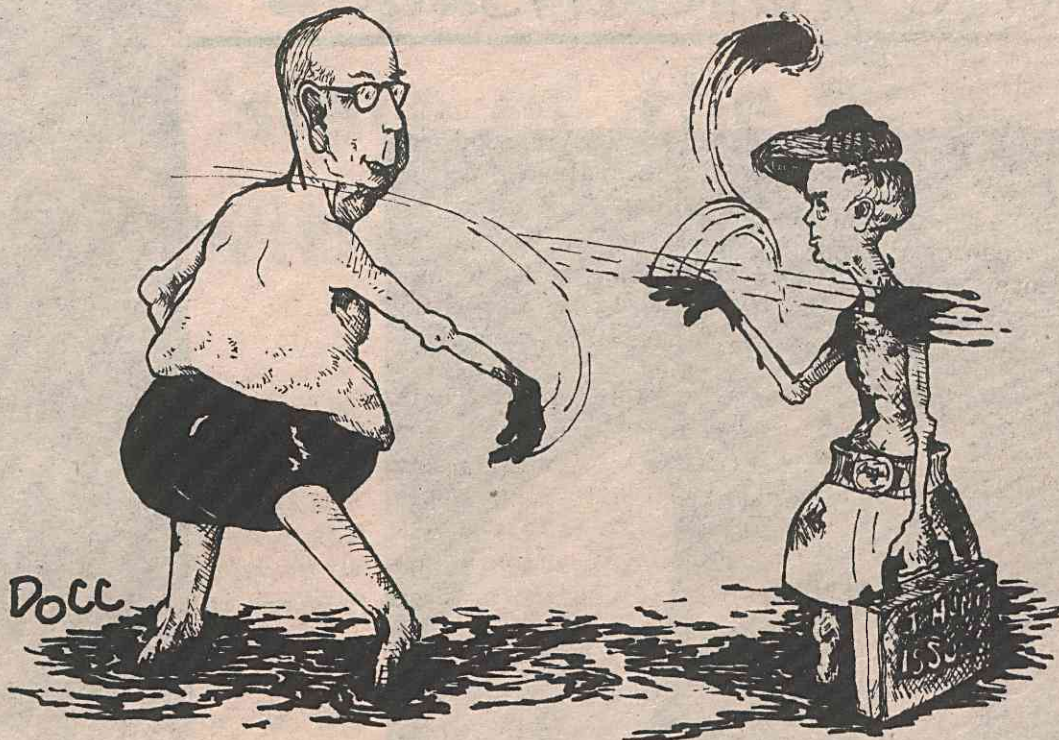
They both held offices in the student government association and were "strong supporters of each other," said Rhoades.

However, Rhoades said Hunt refused to support Knox in the gubernatorial primary.

"His neutrality has hurt him," said Rhoades.

Rhoades quoted Knox's wife, Francis, from an article in the Winston Salem Journal.

"Mrs. Knox said, 'I've concluded that I can no longer support Jim Hunt. I am tired of hearing politicians who stand one way on a subject one day, and another way the next day.'"



THERE'S SIMPLY NO SUBSTITUTE FOR EXPERIENCE IN THIS GAME

Satellite teleconference planned

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It won't be extra terrestrials that beam into UNCA political science professor, Dr. Robert Farzanegan's, earth station on Oct. 16.

Instead, the station's transmitter will enable students to communicate nationwide with other universities involved in World Food Day (WFD).

According to Farzanegan, students in his Third World class will participate in the nationwide teleconference sponsored by the National Committee for World Food Day through the earth station satellite located at his home.

"Otherwise, we would just be watching it (WFD) on a regular television. I am picking up a special transmittance that's going out to a satellite and beaming it down, and I'm picking it up off my dish. It's coming right into my living room," said Farzanegan.

By communicating through the satellite with panelists and other universities involved in WFD across the U.S., Farzanegan said the event will be similar to "hosting a town meeting nationwide."

Political Science Association members, students, and faculty members will gather in a large room and watch the WFD teleconfer-

ence on the wide screen TV at his home, said Farzanegan.

"Students can sit around and get a good view of the panelist and be able to feel as if they are sitting in the same room with them," he said.

Washington, D.C., the main site for the teleconference will televise three hours of live presentation which will include a message from President Reagan.

Hosted by Eddie Albert, the program consists of about twelve panelists who will answer questions about world food hunger.

"We'll listen to an issue, and then we'll ask one of the panelists a particular aspect of a problem. Then we'll get a direct response from that particular person we watched on television," said Farzanegan.

Live video interaction with the panelist will only include the receiving sites of the 100 participating universities, explained National Committee for World Food Day pamphlet.

Through the earth station's transmitter, WFD participants will talk to other college members across the U.S.

"We have a special telephone hook-up so that we can communicate with peo-

ple at the conferece site and at other sites as well," said Farzanegan.

After the program, the students in the Third World class will write "position papers" which give their reactions and analysis of the problems presented in the teleconference, he said.

"After listening to the problem, analyzing the problem, and discussing the problem, then we will make our recommendations as a group," said Farzanegan.

Along with other universities across the U.S., the group will give their suggestions for solving the problem of world food hunger to the national committee who will make a total analysis said Farzanegan.

"And this way, we'll have a cross-section of views from the U.S. in trying to deal with these problems. This approach is interesting. It's unique," explained Farzanegan.

WFD, first observed in 1981 by more than 100 countries "is designed to inform, educate, and motivate people to take concrete action against hunger," said the NCWFD.

"It (WFD) is especially about those who are unable to grow or buy sufficient food for the well-being of their families," said the pamphlet.

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Education in North Carolina is exciting to Charlie (Arthea) Reed, associate professor of education at UNCA.

That's why she wants Jim Hunt to win the Senate race in November.

"It's really exciting to be in a place that is so dynamic. If you're in education, North Carolina is the place to be, and it's all because of Jim Hunt," Reed said.

Reed claims Hunt has done more for education than any other governor besides Terry Sanford.

Reed said Hunt is nationally known for his efforts to advance education programs in North Carolina.

According to Reed, "directly through (Hunt's) efforts, we have started the North Carolina writing project which is affiliated with the National Writing Project."

The North Carolina Writing Project, which is held in the summer, chooses 200 public school teachers in whose interests involve teaching writing and composition.

Through the workshop, Reed explained, the teachers not only learn to teach their students, but they also improve their own writing skills.

Hunt also sponsored the Elementary Read Act in 1978.

The Read Act utilizes two teachers to a classroom in grades kindergarten through third grade.

Hunt also founded the North Carolina Testing Program. This program calls for diagnostic tests of children in third, sixth, and ninth grades.

"It has been a real beneficial change in North Carolina because it helps identify the problems with a child," Reed explained.

If a child is weak in areas of comprehension, mathematics, or vocabulary, the diagnostic test reveals the problem.

Reed said Hunt also helped the gifted child when he began the School for Science and Math in Raleigh.

"It's taking our brightest kids and developing those talents," Reed said.

"It (the school's existence) is directly related to his lobbying and his work with legislature. There will soon be one in Western North Carolina," said Reed.