

Hazardous waste

Public forum planned to discuss disposal

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How does a state dispose of a substance that may remain hazardous hundreds of years after its usefulness has been exhausted? Is there a safe method for hazardous and low-level waste disposal?

A series of seven town meetings across the state, sponsored by a task force appointed last year by Gov. James B. Hunt Jr., has been set up to allow citizens to comment on the task force's findings concerning the problems of waste management in the state.

The first meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at Athens Drive High School in Raleigh. The school is located on Athens Drive off Advent Ferry Road, about 1 1/2 miles from the intersection of Western Boulevard and Advent Ferry Road at Mission Valley.

Hunt has said that the management of hazardous and low-level radioactive wastes is one of the most important issues of the decade. North Carolina ranks fourth in the nation in the production of low-level

wastes and 11th in the production of hazardous wastes.

Dr. Bernard Greenberg, chairman of the task force and dean of the UNC School of Public Health, said the town meetings were vital to his group's efforts.

The locations of the meetings were selected so that citizens in the state could attend at least one of them without having to travel a great distance from home. "We want to encourage everyone who possibly can to come," Greenberg said. "If we are to develop a system for safely managing our potentially dangerous wastes, we'll need the cooperation and involvement of almost everyone in the state."

But Bill Cummings, a leader of a citizen's group questioning the efforts of the task force, said the meetings were part of a "public relations" game.

"We have to consider the long-range effects rather than just the immediate effects like jobs or a stronger economy," he said. "The state is going to be faced

with an ever-increasing problem until we begin to look at both the benefits and detriments of new industries we're trying to get to locate plants here."

Cummings said the task force's report was issued only a couple of days ago. "How can the public speak intelligently about a subject it hasn't had the opportunity to study?" he said.

"Some of the task force members claim they don't want to alarm the public with a lot of technical information. Sure, some of it's technical, but it also affects our political, social and economic future."

A carpool is being organized by the citizens' group to go to Monday's meeting. It will leave from the Looking Glass Cafe in University Square at 5 p.m. For additional information call 929-8621 or 967-2556.

Friday

more, Helms' position as a senior Southern senator would become important in the case. "Mr. Helms would have a major role to play," he said.

Friday said it was unfair that the government had waited until now to inform other states that their policies were discriminatory. North Carolina was first warned of being discriminatory eight years ago.

The University pointed to the unfairness of the system during the proceedings, Friday said. "They had not even written the first letter to these other

states," Friday said.

"Suffice to say I'm going to do everything I can to get the federal government off the back of The University of North Carolina ... and now is the time to do it," Helms said.

"Look at the time and resources the University has been trying to defend itself against the federal masters. It is time to let Bill Friday go back to the job of running the University."

Helms said he had passed on some suggestions to John East who is attending hearings on the confirmation of

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Secretary of Education-designate Terrel H. Bell.

"Dr. Bell has to be confirmed, and he is going to be asked some forthright questions, and we expect some forthright answers," Helms said.

Friday also said the dispute might involve a loss of \$15-\$20 million in federal funds instead of the often-quoted figure of \$89 million.

The University system receives between \$89 and \$95 million through federal funding each year. But the government could only cut "programs that demonstrably discriminate," Friday said. "The department has to justify its action," he said.

Former Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare (now the Department of Education) Joseph Califano estimated the amount of funds which could be cut off was between \$15 and \$20 million, Friday said.

For the record

A story in *The Daily Tar Heel* Thursday stated that the delay of the 1980 *Yack* was partially due to the dispute between Hunter Publishing Co. of Winston-Salem and '79 *Yack* Editor Chrisann Ohler.

The ensuing late delivery of the '79 *Yack* cut into the budget of the '80 *Yack* creating some financial problems that initially delayed the 1980-1981 book, said Mary Beth Searle, '80 *Yack* editor.

Personal sickness and holiday closing of the Hunter plant has further delayed the yearbook. However, Searle said Hunter's performance has in no way been the cause of the current delay.

Also, a typesetting error incorrectly stated that comprehensive proofs would be returned to the staff from Hunter on Thursday. The correct statement is comprehensive proofs will be returned.

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UNC Black Student Movement Chairperson Mark H. Canady said for people to continue to consider Jan. 15 as just another day was an insult to the principles upon which this nation was founded.

"This nation was founded on the maxim of individual rights and equality for all mankind," he said. "Dr. King gave his life for these ideals. For us to ignore a man who gave his life for these ideals would be the ultimate hypocrisy."

Canady said the holiday would be a memorial to King from all people.

"Most people think what he did was for black people, but if he were alive today he would tell you for himself that what he did was for all people," he said.

A formal service, a program sponsored by the Carolina Union, the Rally for Justice Committee and the Hinton James, Ehringhaus and Morrison Action committees, began at 8:30 p.m. in Great Hall.

Student Body President Bob Saunders called King a hero.

"He provided a model for us not only to follow, but by which to be enlightened," Saunders told a crowd of more than 600.

"When you read of incidents like the ones in Atlanta, in Buffalo and in Greensboro, then you know that Dr. King's work has not yet been completed," he said.

Remarks were made also by Harold Wallace, assistant dean for student affairs, who received a standing ovation after he quoted parts of a speech King made during the 1963 march on Washington.

Wallace spoke also of the national attitude toward blacks, and black poverty.

"The national mood has turned mean toward blacks," he said. "Some 13 years ago after King's death and some 113 years after the proclamation of emancipation, black people are not yet free."

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News In Brief

Senate committee recommends Haig

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted 15-2 Thursday to recommend Senate confirmation of Alexander M. Haig to be secretary of state, despite questions raised by some senators about his role in the Watergate scandal.

Haig, one of the more controversial of President-elect Ronald Reagan's Cabinet choices, is virtually certain to be confirmed by the full Senate on Wednesday, the day after Reagan is inaugurated.

The two committee members who voted against Haig's nomination were Sens. Paul S. Sarbanes, D-Md., and Paul E. Tsongas, D-Mass.

Hunt presents budget to assembly

RALEIGH (AP) — Gov. Jim Hunt presented legislators with a nearly \$12 billion two-year budget Thursday that left them with the unpleasant choice of finding more money for the state's highway program or firing 2,000 to 3,000 transportation workers.

The budget includes modest growth of the government over the next two years and even includes a small cutback in the number of state employees outside the highway department during the first year. The cutback is erased in the second year for a net gain of 598 state jobs.

But it projects a massive shortage of money for highway construction, \$342 million less during the next two years than was spent during the two years ending this June 30.

Eastern cold wave continues

The governor of Massachusetts Thursday ordered schools closed to conserve precious fuel, while Florida orange juice producers raised their prices to record levels almost before the ice on the citrus trees had melted.

Across the frigid East, a cold wave that came in at Christmas had eased up, but light snow sprinkled the icy sludge already on the ground in a wide area, waterways remained blocked and some cities were running out of heating fuel.

With most residents of Massachusetts ignoring an appeal to turn down their thermostats until an emergency supply of natural gas could reach the state, Gov. Edward J. King ordered all gas-heated schools in the state to remain closed today to help conserve the state's dwindling supplies of natural gas.

He also ordered all commercial customers of Boston Gas Co., the state's largest gas utility, to turn down their thermostats.

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Before the message arrived, John H. Trattner, the State Department spokesman, reported positive movement toward an agreement and appeared to soften the informal deadline.

Meanwhile, an Algerian newspaper reported prudent optimism about the negotiations and senior Western diplomats in Tehran met with Iran's chief hostage negotiator. A letter from 185 U.S. congressmen urging speedy release of the Americans was handed to the Iranians.

The Algerian newspaper *El Moudjahid* offered its glimmer of hope in a headline over news agency reports from Tehran and Washington on the negotiations. The reports made no direct reference to Algeria's role as middle-man in the talks.

"Observers in Algiers said the reference in the 'closely controlled' government paper could be taken as a reflection of government feeling."

Secretary of State Edmund S. Muskie said, meanwhile, that he did not know if the hostages would be released soon. "Time is running short," he said in a speech before a foreign policy group here.

The negotiations, he said, have been shadowed by complex problems and procedures. Also, Muskie said, the issue

of the wealth of the late Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi remained unresolved.

Indicating that Iran is still suspicious of U.S. motives, Muskie said, "They don't have much confidence in us, anyway."

Later, in a brief exchange with reporters, Muskie indicated that Monday — the last full day of the Carter administration — might not be too late to shift assets as part of an agreement with Iran.

"It depends on the circumstances," Muskie said.

The administration had informed Iran in relaying its proposal on Jan. 2 that it would be practically impossible to carry out an agreement after Friday.

Trattner said Deputy Secretary of State Warren W. Christopher, who remains in Algiers, "is making progress in clearing away the underbrush of technical details that surround agreements that are as complicated as these."

Trattner said no assets had been shifted yet in anticipation of an agreement with Iran. But he said lawyers and bankers had been holding meetings on arrangements.

THE Daily Crossword by Bert H. Kruse

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