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The weather Tuesday: H-O-T. High 90, low 68, hum. 58 percent.

The news summary: Residents of Mountain Home turned out in force Tuesday night to oppose the location of a waste incinerator near their homes.

Waste Energy Inc. of Mooresville is asking Henderson County for a permit to build the \$7 million energy producing incinerator in Mountain Home Industrial Park. The ash by-product from the incinerator would represent a 1,000 percent reduction in the volume of waste incinerated, the company's president said.

The N.C. Senate on Monday passed 43-6 its plan to balance the state's budget without raising taxes. Those opposing the plan, including Polk's Sen. Bob Carpenter, said it did not do enough for the schools.

But the majority of those supporting the plan said it did.

It was unclear to observers Tuesday what chance the Senate plan would have in the N.C. House.

Polk County Democratic Party chairman Bill Holcombe has returned from Saturday's party convention excited about U.S. Senate candidate Harvey Gantt.

"I've not been this enthusiastic

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Jackson Family Awaits Word

The Green Creek family of Tim Jackson was waiting anxiously for word from the U.S. Navy Wednesday.

Tim was aboard the U.S.S. Midway which suffered an explosion and a fire Tuesday in waters near Japan.

"All we know is that he is on the ship," said a family member who answered the phone.

At presstime Wednesday, reports were that 16 sailors were injured, nine had been taken to the hospital and one was missing.

The family was particularly concerned because Tim worked in damage control, the area of the ship where the explosion reportedly occurred.

Tim Jackson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jackson.

Purchases Acreage

Richard Coons of West Point, Pa. has purchased a 35 acre parcel from Mr. and Mrs. James York in the Green Creek area. Mr. Coons plans to build in the near future.

Robert M. Thompson and Susie Asheom handled the transaction for Coldwell Banker.

Narcotics Anonymous

N. A. meeting schedule is Tuesdays and Fridays at 8 p.m. at the Church of the Holy Cross. Call 859-2272 or 894-2668 for more information.

Cameron Fitch Named Winthrop Scholar



Cameron Fitch, 1990 graduate of Tryon High School, has been given the coveted Winthrop Scholar Award, which entitled him to a full scholarship for four years at Winthrop College in Rock Hill, S.C.

Cameron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Fitch of Landrum, was a National Merit Finalist and was awarded a National Merit Scholarship to Furman University, which also offered him scholarships.

At Winthrop Cameron plans to pursue a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with majors in Art and English.

Cameron will attend Winthrop in the fall of 1991 after he returns from New Zealand where he will be sponsored by AFS for a year, living with a family outside Wellington. While there he will be attending St. Patrick's College, Wellington. — Reporter

School Budget Battle Continues

The battle of the school budget is not over.

The Polk County Board of Education passed a resolution during an emergency meeting Tuesday night taking the first steps toward landing the whole matter in court.

As prescribed in state statutes, the school board first has requested a joint meeting with the Polk County Board of Commissioners to try to resolve the budget stand-off.

The two boards' chairmen, Georgia Pack and Jeannie Martin, have called for that meeting at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the board room at Stearns School.

It was not clear Tuesday how many from the Board of Commissioners would attend.

If the boards should fail to reach agreement, the matter could be sent to the Clerk of Court, who would have up to ten days to decide the matter or refer it on to the Superior Court.

In court, the school board's case could either be heard by a jury, or by a judge, depending upon the school board's wishes.

"It is not official," said Board of Education chairman Pack, "But the board members are in favor of pursuing legal action.

Pack said she believes the school board case is particularly strong regarding the zero allocation it received in its capital outlay account — no money for building repairs or

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