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#### Athletes beat heat with H2O

Hot, sweaty football practices need not be dangerous if sensible precautions are taken. To begin with, sweat is basically water — some salt, but mostly water. It makes little sense for an athlete to consume salt tablets without replacing lost water. Regular water-bucket breaks spaced during practice are crucial. Salt taken

without water compounds the problem of heatstroke. Football players are advised to salt food heavily, drink electrolyte solutions such as Gatorade, and in terms of preventing heatstroke, drink plenty of water before and during practice. Water is essential.



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### Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

Recently several Yancey County residents received what appeared to be a letter from Jerry Newton inviting them to attend a dinner in Asheville in honor of Senator Jesse Helms. I would like to describe some of the events which led up to this rather unusual letter.

During the past few months I have had contact with a number of representatives from the offices of both Senator Helms and Congressman Gudger in connection with the Chamber of Commerce stand against the Mt. Mitchell National Park. There have been numerous questionnaires and circulars sent out concerning the park study. When I was contacted by a representative of Senator Helms asking if my name could be used in a letter, I consented, thinking that the content of the letter would be some kind of follow-up on the park question. In a sense I was not really misled, but was allowed to mislead myself as to what the letter concerned.

It is not important whether my name was used, misused or whatever. It is important, however, that everyone concerned understand that the Chamber of Commerce does not support or oppose the political career of any candidate. Both Senator Helms and Congressman Gudger have bills in committee which (if passed) will have an effect on the park situation. Both are to be congratulated for the efforts they have shown in our behalf.

I would like to apologize to anyone who feels that the Chamber of Commerce has been misled in this situation.

Jerry Newton  
Exec. Director Chamber of Commerce



### Helms Dinner Held

In excess of 1,500 people greeted U.S. Senator Jesse Helms at the Asheville Civic Center Saturday night when he was honored at a dinner hosted by the N.C. Congressional Club. Senator Helms brought with him as his guest for the evening Sen. S.I. Hayakawa, [R] California, a well-known conservative spokesman and President Emeritus of San Francisco State University. Club members and supporters of Helms from Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk and Yancey Counties enjoyed a country-style chicken dinner and were entertained by Arthur Smith and his band and the North Buncombe Cloggers, the Big Valley Cloggers, and the Big Valley Clover dance groups. Helms, an ardent opponent of the recently signed Panama Canal treaty, reviewed its current status and his proposed plan. He received three standing ovations during these remarks.

### School Budget Approved

The following budget from local funds has been approved by the Yancey County Commissioners and the Yancey County Board of Education for the 1977-78 school term:

#### CURRENT OPERATIONS BUDGET

- \*Administration \$36,480
- Salary for central office staff, audit fees, postage, utilities, legal fees, Board of Education per diem, office equipment and repairs, forms, and attendance counselor expenses.
- \*Instruction services \$49,648
- Salaries for school secretaries, supervisor's travel, 24% of vocational teachers' salaries, supplies and materials.
- \*Plant Operations \$108,500
- Fuel, utilities, janitorial supplies, telephone in schools, custodial salary.
- \*Plant Maintenance \$36,180
- Repairs to buildings, heating, plumbing and electric equipment. Salaries for maintenance workers, and operations of maintenance vehicles.
- \*Fixed Charges \$24,193
- Employers cost for hospitalization, social security, retirement, surety bond, workman's compensation, and insurance on buildings and equipment.
- \*Transportation and Auxiliary Services \$6,500
- Adult bus driver supplements, license fees, garage equipment, activity bus expenses and coaching supplements.
- \*Total Budget For Current Operations \$267,026

#### CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET

- Three New School Buses \$29,744.00
- Furnace for Micaville School 5,000.00
- New Roof for Pensacola School 40,000.00
- Matching vocational equipment 10,000.00
- Major Repairs to Elementary School Buildings 17,000.00
- \*Total Budget-Capital Outlay \$101,744.00

### Lutheran Pastor To Come Here

For the past year and a half, the Mountain Lutheran Fellowship has been holding services and studies in the Burnsville area, oftentimes without benefit of a pastor.

It has been learned that funding has now been allocated by the Lutheran Church in America, for a full time pastor to be here in Burnsville in March or April of next year. At that time a site will be chosen for the building of a church.

Any interested parties requesting further information are urged to call any of the following of the congregation: Jean Muratori 682-6594, Wanda McNeil 682-6860, Evelyn Clark 682-6623.

For the present, services are being held in a rented building on Mitchell Branch Road at the intersection of Old Green Mountain Road, each Sunday. Sunday School is at 10:00 a.m. and worship service is at 11:00 a.m.

### MTI Graduation

Richard H. Hagermeyer, founding president of Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, will give the address at Mayland Technical Institute's 1977 Commencement Exercises, to be held at Grassy Creek Baptist Church September 22, at 8:00 p.m.

Dr. Hagermeyer, who is a native of Michigan, holds academic degrees from Bowling Green State University, University of Michigan and

Wayne State University. He has taught on the junior and senior high school and university levels and served on the administrative staff at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn, Michigan before accepting his present position.

Dr. Hagermeyer's honors and accomplishments include: Meritorious Service Award—U.S. Dept. of Labor 1962, Charlotte "Man of the Year" 1973, President, Southern

Association of Community and Junior Colleges 1973-74, President, League for Innovation in the Community College 1976-77, Chairman of the Board American Association of Community and Junior Colleges 1976-77, and Member Professional Advisory Committee of United Community Services.

The public is cordially invited to attend these Commencement Exercises.

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REPORT FROM  
**U.S. Senator**  
**JESSE ★★**  
**HELMS**

WASHINGTON—A great many Americans are beginning to ask some very significant questions about the proposed give-away of the Panama Canal. They are questions which President Carter's advisors surely will eventually have to answer fully and forthrightly.

One question involves some of the biggest banks in the United States, mostly in New York City. Is this give-away really a bail-out of these big banks, who have made enormous loans to the regime of a reportedly Marxist dictator, General Torrijos?

Torrijos is one of the most oppressive dictators in the world. He has violated almost every human rights standard in the books. He has managed to stay in power in Panama solely on the basis of his promise to blackmail the United States into giving away our Panama Canal.

**BANKS**—If Congress refuses to give-away our Canal, the dictatorship in Panama may fall—and some big U. S. banks may be left holding the bag on some bad loans that perhaps shouldn't have been made in the first place.

It is to be remembered that President Carter appointed a man named Sol Linowitz to be his "personal representative" in the Panama Canal negotiations. This appointment is really of ambassador's rank—and should have been sent to the U. S. Senate for consideration and confirmation. Unfortunately, Mr. Carter used a sort of back-door approach to by-pass the Senate. Thus, Mr. Linowitz has never been required to face questions from Senators.

Now, here's the interesting thing: Mr. Linowitz was, at the time of his appointment and during the early stages of his work on the negotiations, an official of one of the New York City banks which has made enormous loans to the Panama regime! Shortly after I raised questions of the propriety of this arrangement on the Senate floor last February, he resigned from the bank. It would have been better if he had resigned as negotiator.

**NEGOTIATOR**—Many Americans sense that there is a blackmail game going on in connection with the proposed Canal give-away. They repeatedly hear that if we don't give away our Canal, there will be violence in Latin America.

The truth of the matter is that I have personally visited and talked with the heads of state in South American countries representing three-fourths of the geography, population and gross national product of South America. Without exception, I have been told: "Please keep your Canal. Don't let it fall into Torrijos' hands. If the negotiations are ever completed, we may have to support the treaty publicly, but we hope we are never forced into that position."

No one can say that there will not be some violence, regardless of what happens in this matter. There was violence about ten years ago—by students at the university in Panama. It is widely reported that Fidel Castro sent communist revolutionaries into Panama to promote that violence. He may do so again.

Interestingly enough, the head of the university at the time was a man who is well known for his communist leanings.

And where is that man today? He is the chief negotiator for the government of Panama in working out the details of the treaty which Mr. Carter's advisors have persuaded the President to endorse!

See the pattern? The President has been misled. I do hope that the American people will not be similarly misled.

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