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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13, 1980

Weather Monday: high 47, low 19. Tuesday morning was on the cool side, but the sun soon warmed things up.

A 14-year-old Rutherford County woman gave birth to Siamese twin girls last Saturday at Rutherford Hospital. The girls who weighed 12 pounds at birth were immediately transferred to Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville where they were listed in stable condition Monday. The parents were identified as Kim and Arlin Beaver.

Coast Guard ice breakers generally associated with opening shipping lanes in the North Atlantic, are at work this month breaking ice in North Carolina sounds. The Coast Guard is using its cutters as icebreakers to keep the Intracostal Waterway open through the sounds.

Saying "Im just tired of this mess," Chief Deputy Insurance Commissioner Byron Tatum resigned Monday, becoming the second top-level official to leave **Commissioner John Ingram's** department in a week. "The inefficiency of operation is a waste of taxpayers money", he added.

The American Legion Bingo is tonight beginning at 7:30 p.m. at

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# **Busy Session For** Polk School Bd.

The Polk County School Board met Monday night in the Superintendent's Office in the courthouse annex.

The Board discussed the possibility of Communty Schools Program in Polk County. The Board also discussed the settlement of \$14,000 received from A. A. Ramsey Construction Co. for work to be done on the Saluda School building.

Budget requests from all Polk County Schools were to be received by Feb. 15th.

Supt. David Cromer announced that data computers would be installed soon by the Western Regional Education Center at Canton.

The Board voted to sell at auction the Polk Central Vocational property this spring with opening bids at \$4300 per lot.

The Board discussed the Alternative Vocational Program. Supt. Cromer reported that the

in-school suspension program had started at Polk Central. The Board received approval

from the N. C. Board of Education to use the remaining 1973 bond money for two additional classrooms at Polk Central

The Board approved the hiring of Miss Ann Langley for part time occupational therapy for handicapped class.

Supt. Cromer announced his retirement effective June 30, schools of North Carolina. 1980.



Supt. David A. Cromer

Polk County Superintendent David A. Cromer announced to the School Board Monday night that he would retire effective June 30, 1980. Mr. Cromer has served as Superintendent of the Polk County Schools since 1959.

Mr. Cromer is a graduate of Tryon High School, Class of 1940 and of Wofford College in 1944. He received his masters in School Administration from Columbia University in 1954. He began teaching at Carlisle Military at Bamberg, S. C. He taught at Tryon for one year and then became principal at Stearns School and then Alamance School in Guilford County. He became Superintendent of the Polk County Schools in 1959. He has a total of 36 years experience as school teacher and administrator - 30 of which are in the public

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## A New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Russell of Mill Spring are parents of a son, Eric Paul, born Feb. 11 at St. Luke's Hospital.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell of Mill Spring, Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Nelson of Newland, N. C.

## Wrecks

Patrolman C. T. "Butch" Kennedy investigated three wrecks Sunday. At 6:30 a.m. a car slid on ice near the Green River bridge on the Coxe Road and hit a utility pole on the right side of the road. No one was injured.

At 12:30 p.m. there was a head-on wreck on New Market Road just outside the Tryon City Limits. The wreck involved a '68 Chevrolet and '72 Chevrolet truck. One person was taken to St. Luke's Hospital.

Also at 12:30 p.m. on Hwy. No. 9 near the Lake Adger power dam a '64 Ford pick-up truck driven by Charlie Green attempted to pass a Ford, both cars were going south bound, when the truck hit ice and struck the Ford, knocking the Ford off the right side of the road and the truck driven by Green went off the left side and turned over on its side.

### **STORYHOUR**

Books to be used this week at the 4 p.m. Storyhour at the Landrum Library are "The Secret Dinosaur" by Marilyn Hirsh and "Ookie-Spooky" by Mirra Ginsburg.