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Weather Thursday: high 75, low 34, hum. 59%, rain .02. We didn't get much rain, but a little is better than none. Friday morning was sunny and mild.

Contributions to help the Tryon Firemen with their bags of fruit and candy to give to the children at the Christmas Parade have been received from Mrs. Edna G. Falconer and Mr. and Mrs. Stowell C. Wasson.

Each year the Tryon Chamber of Commerce with the help of the Tryon Boy Scouts, Tryon Rotary Club and the Town of Tryon employees, puts up Christmas trees and lights them. Each year a number of strings have to be repaired and replaced and the electricity paid for. People in the community who like the idea of putting up the Christmas trees to wish everyone a Merry Christmas support the program with contributions. These contributions may be left at the Tryon Chamber of Commerce office or at the Bulletin Office. A contribution from Mr. and Mrs. Stowell C. Wasson has already been received. The trees go up the first part of December. Mrs. P. C. Cochran has donated the trees over the years.

Chester Hudson was another  
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## Town Of Tryon Acquires Lake Lanier

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Tryon have acquired Lake Lanier from the Southern Mercerizing Company. The Town's acquisition of Lake Lanier culminates some 2 years of study by the Town's engineers and negotiations with the Southern Mercerizing Company. Mayor Kenneth L. Tucker accepted the deed this past Thursday to Lake Lanier from W. H. McDoanld, Vice President and Treasurer of the Southern Mercerizing Company. In accepting the deed, Mayor Tucker stated, "Water is rapidly becoming one of our most precious resources. The potential development of Lake Lanier as a raw water supply will insure sufficient water to meet the needs of our Town for the next 50 years." Lake Lanier is an impoundment of approximately 135 acres located in Greenville County, South Carolina and known as the "Lake Bed" or land covered by the impounded waters of Lake Lanier. Also included in this acquisition is 10.35 acres of property from the dam to Hwy. 176 South. The approximate estimated appraised value of Lake Lanier and the 10.35 acres is 1.5 million dollars. The Southern Mercerizing Company deeded this property to the Town of Tryon as a gift.

According to W. H. McDonald, "The Southern Mercerizing Company no longer demands  
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## Jim Lowry Named Purchasing Officer



Jim Lowry

Jim R. Lowry, president of Lowry Chevrolet, Inc., in Tryon, has been named state purchasing officer by Secretary of the Department of Administration Jane Smith Patterson.

Lowry, 36, will begin his duties as director of the Division of Purchase and Contract December 1.

The Robeson County native is a 1966 graduate of N. C. State University in aeronautical engineering. Lowry was an aircraft research engineer with Lockheed Aircraft in Georgia for three years and was affiliated with General Electric Computer Division in South Carolina, Florida and Charlotte, before becoming self-employed in the automobile dealership in Tryon.

A Lumbee Indian, Lowry is chairman of the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs. He was the founding chairman of the  
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## Kudzu Fire

The Tryon Fire Department was called out Wednesday night about 10:08 to a fire near the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pack. The dead kudzu caught up and spread to the grass, leaves and bushes.

## Two Fires At Same Place

The Columbus Fire Department was called to two fires Wednesday at the Rock Quarry on Fox Mountain Road. The grass and woods fire burned about a 1/4 of an acre at 12:30 p.m. and then about 3 p.m. it caught up again and burned about another 1/4 acre.

## Thanksgiving Service Thurs.

A Tryon community-wide Thanksgiving service will be held Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Holy Cross Episcopal Church. The Rev. John D. Smith of the Tryon Presbyterian Church will bring the message.

## Jeff Leon Gets Scholarship

Six students at the University of North Carolina at Asheville have been awarded scholarships. Awarded an Endowment Scholarship was John F. Leon (Jeff), literature major and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Leon, Jr. of Tryon.