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Weather Monday: High 68, low 52, Rel. Hum. 60. . . . RATS! RATS! A war on RATS will begin in Polk County Saturday, sponsored by the county agents. The wonder poison "Warfarin" will be used. President Howard Frankfield of the Tryon Chamber of Commerce urges all local citizens to join this fight and help rid this section of rats. Poison at 30c per pound may be ordered from the Town Office, Phone 54, and receive it on Saturday. Do it today. . . . Frank E. McKinney, Indianapolis banker is new chairman of Democratic party . . . Mrs. Charles E. Cathey, mother of George E. Cathey of Tryon, was named "Lady of the Hour" over the Charlotte radio station this morning . . . As Hallowe'en approaches in Tryon, Mayor C. D. Stevens is calling on all parents to caution their children about damaging property and making malicious disturbances where people are sick. The police and town officials are making every effort to prevent vandalism on Hallowe'en night, and violators apprehended will be prosecuted. A lot of time and money is being spent to provide wholesome entertainment for the young people on Trade Street and the mayor hopes the young people and parents will give their cooperation

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\$150,000 Annex Planned For St. Luke's Hospital

By Graves Taylor.

Announcement was made this morning that plans are underway for a \$150,000 addition to St. Luke's Hospital, Tryon.

C. D. Stevens, chairman of the board of trustees of the hospital, announced that the decision to proceed with the program had been made following receipt of word from the North Carolina State Medical Care Commission that funds for a major portion of the expansion would be allotted to St. Luke's. Funds from the NCSHCC are made available under a "matching program" in which the hospital will bear a portion of the costs of the program. The NC-SMCC will allot \$108,000 to the program while St. Luke's Hospital will pay \$42,000.

The decision to proceed with the new construction program came as the result of a survey to determine future needs of the community, according to the board of trustees. The survey has been made over a period of the past three years and included long and intensive study of the needs for hospital care to persons living, working or visiting in this area.

It was announced that the St. Luke's construction program will include a new and badly needed building, modernization of existing facilities and other improvements long needed to better serve the community.

The new program will make possible the expansion of the number of beds available to patients at the hospital, it was stated. The present total of 30 beds will be increased to 45, according to present plans.

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