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Weather Thursday: high 70, low 30, rain at 6 a.m. Friday .17. Friday was another spring-like day.

Eric Heiden won his 4th gold medal at the 13th Winter Olympics at Lake Placid Thursday. He won the 1,500 meter race in a record 1:55.44. He is the first man in Winter Olympics history to take four gold medals. Saturday he was to compete in the 10,000 meter marathon.

Floodwaters spilled over dams and broke through levees across Southern California Thursday sending thousands of people fleeing the desert resort region of Palm Springs. A hotel and shopping district in San Diego was inundated.

Nearly all shops in Kabul closed Thursday to protest the Soviet presence in Afghanistan. The shutdown, backed by almost 95 percent of the traders in the city, followed letters distributed Wednesday night by Moslem rebels.

The U. S. Postal Service has named this week as National Letterwriters Week. A stamp to this effect will be sold at local post offices on the 26th. Mrs. Florence Storie, Postmaster of the Lynn Post office will serve

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Tryon Boys Advance To District Finals

The Tryon boys basketball team advanced to District 8 Class A finals Thursday night at Tuscola as they defeated Highlands 50-25. The Tigers must have felt frustrated as they chased the ball the first quarter. Tryon broke out to an early 2-0 lead and by the end of the first quarter managed to get in front 4-2. The Tigers only took six shots from the floor as Bruce Butler hit his only attempt and Barry Skipper got 1 of 3. Sam Miller and Warfield Kirkendoll each got one shot at the basket and Tony Cunningham was still looking for a shot.

Highlands realizing they couldn't run and gun with the Tigers, decided not to even play control ball. They put it into deep freeze and played keep-away, not even taking shots available to them.

The second quarter found Highlands making a few more mistakes and at halftime the Tigers led 17-4. Skipper and Cunningham each picked up 6 points and Sam Miller got the other two points.

With a 17 to 4 lead, at the start of the second half the Tigers fell back into a zone defense and said "Keep it the rest of the game if you want to, a 13 point win is fine with us." When Highlands found out the Tigers were through chasing them they began to work for some shots, but had many of them blocked. At the end

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Communication

Dear Mr. Vining:

The Polk County Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Superintendent David A. Cromer effective June 30, 1980. This Board appreciates Mr. Cromer's thirty-six years of service in the field of education, 27 of which have been in Polk County.

We are particularly grateful for Mr. Cromer's leadership and hard work over the years in such areas as the construction of Polk Central and Sunny View Schools and the School Bus Garage; additions at Green Creek, Saluda and Polk Central; the development of many Federal Programs such as Head Start, ESEA Titles I, III, IV-B and VI-B, CETA and NYC. Other programs started during his tenure include State Kindergarten and Primary Reading in all elementary schools, a comprehensive Special Education Program; major changes in School Food Service; implementation of the School Fiscal Control Act of 1976, Civil Rights Act and Desegregation, Equal Employment Opportunities; teacher tenure, formation of the county personnel policy and grievance committee.

During his tenure, Mr. Cromer has been a public-spirited citizen, active in a wide-range of community affairs for the educational and cultural enrichment of the county, thus benefitting the educational opportunities for school children. He has spent many long hours

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Kiwanians To Learn About Polk Library

The Tryon Kiwanis Club will meet Tuesday at 1 p.m. at Paolet River Plantation. Librarian Walter Gray will talk on "What's Going on at the Polk County Library." He will also tell about the recent study of the library.

A native of Lawrenceville, N. J. he has a BA degree from Denver University and his masters degree from UNC at Chapel Hill. He became the director of the Polk County Library in July 1977. He came to Polk County from the Thomas Hackney Braswell Memorial Library at Rocky Mount where he was the director.

Norman Benham is in charge of the program.

STONY KNOLL 4-H NEWS

The Stony Knoll 4-H Club has elected the following officers: Genese Miller, pres.; Deloris Miller, vice pres.; Dianne Gray, Sec.; Marilyn Cantrell, ass't. sec.; Frances Miller, treas.; Gerald Petty, reporter. Other members are Kimberly Gray, Larry Jackson, Atwand Miller, Ada Moore, Sonja Rhodes, Greg Rhodes. Our leaders are Mrs. Clara Davenport, Mrs. Elizabeth D. Gray.

On Feb. 4th Doug Roach presented an educational film on 4-H and on the 13th Mr. Roach met with the Stony Knoll leaders and officers to discuss the responsibilities of the officers. — Gerald Petty, Reporter