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Weather Wednesday: high 69,
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No one was injured Wednesday afternoon when a freight train hit a stalled tractor-trailer on the train tracks on Depot Street in Campobello. The tractor-trailer was loaded with sulfur and burst into flames. Residences, businesses and school within a half-mile were evacuated due to sulfuric fumes and taken to the Campobello Gramling School shortly after the accident. Firefighters from Campobello, Inman and Landrum doused the slow-burning fire with foam and the S.C. Highway Department brought in a truckload of sand.

The burning sulfur will produce sulfur dioxide, a gas. It is a potentially lethal gas when burned.

The sulfur was enroute to the Campobello Oil Co. on Depot Street from the Georgia Gulf Corp. at Valdosta, Ga. The driver of the rig, Cecil Rachel, 39, of Damarcus, Ga., told the authorities his landing gear or "dollies" became stuck on the highway leading up to the railroad tracks and he left to seek assistance before the accident occurred, according to the

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Top Horses To Block House

By Chuck Ross

With a total of 34 horses entered in five races, this Saturday's Block House Steeplechase meeting promises good racing for 'chase fans now gathering in Tryon.

The featured Block House Steeplechase, with a purse of \$20,000, has seven entries, assuring a solid race if all go postward. The top weights, at 156 pounds, are James Richards' Reagan, trained by Frank Raquet, and Timber Bay Farm's Gregoriance, who will be saddled by perennial leading trainer, Jonathan Sheppard.

Although Reagan was second to Gregoriance two weeks ago in Atlanta, the Tennessee-based 10-year-old has one advantage in that he won the 1986 Block House under rider George Sloan. The aptly-named Gregoriance, however, will have many backers inasmuch as he will be ridden by an "almost local" boy who did a lot of his growing up here in Tryon, Colvin "Greg" Ryan, last year's leading amateur rider.

Rounding out the Block House field will be Michael G. Walsh's King Copsico, a winner at Southern Pines; Robert Kitson's Shamrock Keys, who won at Aiken, Rokeby Stables' Molotov, Augustin Stables' Gogong, and William Carter's Avatanche Cannon, all winners of past seasons.

A field of seven is entered in the

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Lutz Scholarship Award Winners

Ten Polk County students were interviewed for the Lutz Foundation Scholarships on April 9. Four were from Tryon High School, and six were from Polk Central.



B. G. Edwards

The \$2,000 first place scholarship was awarded to B. G. Edwards from Tryon High. B. G. ranks third in his class, is president of the Beta Club, and is a member of the Key Club, Tryon Youth Center Board, and the Wolverine Varsity Basketball and Golf teams. He also coached basketball in the youth recreation program. B. G. plans to attend N. C. State University and major in engineering. He is the son of Bernard and Peggy Edwards of

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Red Fox Saga Takes New Turns

N.C. Savings and Loan would like to bring in a new management company for Red Fox Country Club, according to Larry Heath, chairman of the acquisition committee for The Club At Red Fox.

Heath gathered his information from the latest bankruptcy court hearing in Charlotte Wednesday where N.C. Savings and Loan officials told the judge of their intentions.

Red Fox Ltd., N.C. Savings and Loan and The Club at Red Fox have been the major players in the latest episode of the Red Fox Country Club drama, which began in 1965 when the club was founded.

However, a fourth player may be entering the picture soon in a way that could change everyone's strategies. And the outcome is important to property owners in the entire region, Heath said.

N.C. Savings and Loan, itself now in the hands of federal regulators, holds a \$2.8 million first mortgage on the golf course and unsold residential lots at the Columbus country club.

The Club at Red Fox was formed by 170 area residents in December, 1989 to try to buy the country club and convert it to a member-owned club.

Since December, several bankruptcy court hearings have been held and continued without

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