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The weather Thursday: high 84, low 64, hum. 64 percent. By 7 a.m. Friday, .31 inches of rain had fallen.

After Muppet creator Jim Henson died last Wednesday, reports circulated in the national media that he had been treated just days before by a N.C. physician and told "to take some aspirin."

Not to be disrespectful, but that's just the kind of story they like to believe up in New York City. It eases their minds to think doctors out in the "boondocks" are unfit to practice. It helps them forget rats are running around in their food supplies.

Anyway, the Charlotte Observer went out looking for the doctor and produced a report Friday that cast quite a different light. First of all, it turns out the doctor was Henson's cousin.

Henson's mother, Barbara Henson of Ahoskie, said all the cousin did was pick Henson up from a motel and deliver him to her house for a Mother's Day celebration lunch.

Dr. David Belmont, head of the medical intensive-care unit at New York Hospital, said Henson showed no signs of the pneumonia

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Church Women United Imperative Program

The Imperative Committee of the Church Women United will sponsor a covered dish supper at the Tryon Presbyterian Church at 6 p.m. on May 22, 1990.

The program will be the third annual report of a five year study of poverty among women and children in Polk County. The data gathered will be discussed by Dr. Charles Latimer, psychologist of the Polk County Schools, Gordon Schneider, Director of Polk County Mental Health Department, Mrs. Helen White of Polk County Health Services, and Mrs. Mary Milroy of the Interfaith Ministry of Hendersonville. — Reporter

Handicap Project

The Polk County Title VI B Education of the Handicap Project for 1990-91 is open for inspection for any interested party at the Polk County Board of Education Center, 202 East Mills Street, Columbus, N.C. May 21 through May 25, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Newman Honored At UNC-Charlotte

Richard Newman of Howard Gap Road in Tryon received the Humanitarian Award from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

He also received the UNCC Student Legislature Club of the Year Award, for the Model United Nations.

One Fifth Of Pack's Land May Already Be Zoned

Much of Claudy Pack's objection to a request for residential zoning along Skyuka Road during a public hearing on the matter last week centered on the contention that his 52 acres cannot support houses.

But Polk County Zoning Administrator David Draughn said Friday that he believes as much as one fifth of Pack's land, about ten acres, is already zoned residential.

The zoned ten acres would be part of the lowest, wettest section in the bottom, as well, Draughn told the Polk County Planning and Zoning Board Thursday night — the very portion Pack objected most strenuously to having zoned.

Draughn expected to present his findings to the Polk County Board of Commissioners when it meets this afternoon to decide the Skyuka Road zoning case.

Draughn has been studying the county's official zoning map, created in 1965 and transferring the zoning lines on that map to the county's land record maps.

Although the county did not record its zoning by precise "metes and bounds" in 1965, Draughn said officials from the N.C. Division of Community Assistance in the Department of Economic Development will visit the county next month to work on the maps.

He said they will officially

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Tryon Horse Show Patrons

Become a "Horse Show Patron" for the 62nd annual Tryon Horse Show to be held this weekend, Friday, May 25th thru Sunday, May 27th. As a 'Horse Show Patron' you will be provided with a preferred parking space near the rings — attend the patron/exhibitor/workers' party Friday night, 6 p.m., at the Gordon Wright Pavilion, a wine and cheese party Saturday, 5 p.m., in the Patron area and Sunday, box lunches with Bloody Mary's in the patron area, \$100 for 4 persons. And please remember to bring your own chairs to sit in near the rings.

General admission is \$2 per person each day or \$5 per person for a 3-day pass. For further information on becoming a "Horse Show Patron" or general admission call the Tryon Riding & Hunt Club office 704-859-6109, 9-12, 1-4 weekdays. — Reporter

Tryon Lions

The Tryon Lions Club will meet tomorrow evening at 7 at the Western Steer in Columbus. The guest speaker will be Les Spangler who will speak on the fascinating subject of honey bees. Les is a charter member of the Foothills Beekeepers. Dana Lovell is in charge of the program. — Reporter