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The weather Monday: high 90, low 62, hum. 75 percent.

The campaign for U.S. Senate of Democratic challenger Harvey Gantt comes to town Friday. Gantt will speak to a breakfast gathering at the Democratic headquarters in Columbus at 7:30 a.m. For reservations, call 894-8825 or 859-9837.

Edith and Kanoo Biswas are opening the doors at the Tryon Plaza Motel today from 5 to 7 p.m. to celebrate India's independence. Both the governor and the Polk County Board of Commissioners have declared today to be India Day.

Polk County is fortunate to have representatives of so many cultures as neighbors and friends.

The beauty of Polk County, perhaps as you've never seen it before, is portrayed in the photographs of the Polk County Gardener's Calendar. Advance orders are being taken now for the 1991 edition. Call 894-8218 for more information.

The Trade Street Gallery Summer Exhibition is underway and will continue through Sept. 2. Gallery owner Mary Schweder says this exhibit is one you must

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## Concert To Benefit Blackwell Youth



A benefit concert will be presented in Columbus, N.C. on August 25 to benefit Robbie Blackwell, a 6 year-old Columbus boy who has been undergoing extensive surgery since being struck by a car last October 31.

The full scale concert will feature Carey Upton and the Rockland Tramps, a local band on their way to the top. The group will perform original music as well as hits by such artists as Bruce Springsteen, John Cougar Mellencamp and Linda Ronstadt. The concert will be held in the old Stearns gymnasium beginning at 8 p.m. Opening the show will be Lazy Boy and the Recliners, a three piece band from Columbus.

Bring lawn chairs to sit on the gym floor or outside. Seating will also be available on the

bleachers.

All proceeds will go to Robbie Blackwell.

In the photo are (l. to r.) Michael B. Smith, Warren Ashmore, Carey Upton, Vicki Hefner and Mickie Wofford.

## Dinner & Dance At Clarke's Farm

Polk County residents are invited to U. S. Congressman and Mrs. Jamie McClure Clarke's Hickory Nut Farm in Fairview from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17th for a covered dish dinner and square dance. Call Hoyt or Glenna Pack at 894-8607 for more information.

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## Tryon Council Awards Contracts

The Tryon Board of Commissioners awarded several contracts for construction work and new equipment at their meeting Monday night.

In an unusual move, the board went into executive session with about a dozen people at the request of town resident, George Bridges.

The closed session was called under a provision of the open meetings law that allows for private meetings to discuss personnel matters. No action was taken.

In another unusual aspect of the meeting, former Town Manager Barry G. Richards attended as a private citizen.

Although the board accepted his resignation July 30 after a long executive session, Richards offered his advice and comments on nearly every agenda item the board considered Monday night.

Acting Town Manager Clarence Henson guided the board through an otherwise routine session of handling town business. Commissioner Warren Carson was absent.

\* The board members heard a request for money from Joey Couch, a 15-year-old Boy Scout. Couch told the board that for his Eagle Scout project, he intends to install "cat's eye" reflectors in the center of town roads in front of all 200 water hydrants and to update town maps to show all hydrants.

The board, however, asked