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The weather Monday: high 61, low 54, hum. 85 percent, and by 7 am Tuesday .51 inches of rain had fallen.

Perry Como has a lot of nice things to say about Saluda and NC in the December issue of Carolina Senior Citizen. Como, who has owned a home on top of the mountain in Saluda for the past 15 years, said he loves North Carolina.

"Over in Saluda, all we have to do up there is talk to hummingbirds, but it's beautiful. We love it," he said. "I'm amazed about North Carolina. The people are so gentle. It's the way I was brought up. I was born in a town not much bigger than Saluda—Cannonsburg, PA."

Como said he particularly likes the way his Saluda friends treat him. "They know who I am, and there's no fuss, no bother, and I can go around visiting a few

people.

"I have some wonderful neighbors up there. That's why I like it too. We can have a drink and it's so comfortble. Like our friends Jack and Shirley Morse, who live just down the road from us. It's just a good place to go."

Well, if you agree with Perry Como, a good time to go to Saluda would be this weekend, when the town is celebrating its

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Rector To Retire

The Rector of Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Tryon will retire from the Ministry and as Rector of Holy Cross at the end of the month. A Festal Service and reception will be held in his honor next Sunday, December 9, at 3:30 p.m. in the church, 316 Melrose Avenue, Tryon. The people of the community are cordially invited to attend.

Father Reynolds moved to Tryon in 1980. He has been especially active here in charitable and philanthropic areas of the community's life as well as in its religious life.

A native of New Orleans, he received his education at Amherst College, the General Theological Seminary, the University of the South, and Oxford University in England. He served parishes in Delaware and in Maryland and began his ministry of 40 years as Chaplain at St. Andrews School in Delaware.

He plans to live on the eastern shore of Maryland. — Reporter

Christms Art Arrives

The Christmas advertising art books are in at The Tryon Daily Bulletin office. Anyone wishing to pick out artwork for a Christmas greeting advertisement may stop by the office and speak to Angie, Bobbie, or Joyce. The deadline to place these ads for the Dec. 21 issue will be 11 am Dec. 19.

Pack Name. State's Top Plant Operator



Ronnie Pack of Tryon, superintendent of the Spindale Wastewater Treatment Plant, received the Wilbur E. Long Wastewater Plant Operator of the Year award at ceremonies in High Point recently.

Wilbur E. Long was the first chief of the NC Div. of Environmental Mgmt. Water Quality Eng. Branch. The awards named after him have been given annualy since 1975.

Pack began operating the Spindale plant 2½ years ago when the plant was "in bad shape," according to Spindale Town Admistrator Bill Penson.

Pack has in his tenure overseen a \$2.5 million renovation and update which brought the plant into compliance.

"He has improved the plant one-thousand percent," Penson said. "It is now one of the best in the state. If there has ever been anybody in the state who deserves this award, he does."

Pack has 20 years experience in his field, having begun working

for Tryon in 1969. In 1982, he became director of Public Works for the Town of Columbus, where he worked until taking the position in Spindale.

Pack is a former secretarytreasurer with the Western NC Waterworks Assn. He served 2 terms on the membership committee of the NC State Waterworks Assn.

In Tryon, he is a member of First Baptist Church, where he is chairman of the youth, house and grounds, and personnel committees. He is a former president of the Tryon High School Athletic Boosters Club, has coached little league for 12 years, and is currently the league vice president, and president of the Polk County Youth Football League, in which he also serves as a coach.

He is a volunteer fireman with the Tryon Fire Dept. and was named fireman of the year in 1977. He has served on the Fire Dept.'s Parade Committee for 15

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