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The weather Monday: high 54, low 22, hum. 70 percent. Tuesday morning it was cold and frosty. But Robert Dedmond retracted his earlier prediction of snow and called for rain instead. The Thermal Belt is working.

All of our thoughts and prayers go out to the service men and women in the Gulf and the people of the nations there.

On a happier note here at home, we noticed construction going on at Steps to HOPE in Columbus. There, with new walls and roof, we as a community will soon offer shelter to even more women and children in need.

A moment of silence for the Washington Redskins: As Joe Nebraska, that unruly excuse for a San Francisco quarterback, goes on collecting his ridiculous paycheck and all those awards to boot, we can only bide our time and murmur quietly a mantra. "Next year. Next year. Next year." (Go Giants!)

The Tryon Little Theater Reader's Group will meet tonight at 7:30 in the Mural Room of the Tryon Fine Arts Center to read aloud Augustus Wilson's "The Piano Lesson."

Dr. Willard Daggett, a

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## Final Bid Awarded For High School

Cooper Construction Co. of Hendersonville was awarded the site improvements contract for the new high school project with a base bid of \$266,000 and an alternate courtyard bid of \$16,605.

Cooper Construction was also awarded the Building and Finishes contract before Christmas.

The only other bidder for the site improvements was Hensons of Greenville, S.C., which had a base bid of \$352,000 and an alternate courtyard bid of \$25,820. Site improvement bids were not taken before Christmas because only two bids were returned and three are required to open bids. Once the bid is reopened, the three-bidders rule does not apply, explained Bob Myers of GMK Construction Management Firm.

The only work remaining in site preparation is to grade the baseball field area and the second entrance, Myers reported to the Polk County Board of Education Monday. Grassing and erosion control also needs to be done, but the grassing will have to wait until the weather clears up, he said. However, grassing will not affect the building area, he added.

Therefore, foundation excavation can begin toward the end of the month, Myers told the school board members.

In an update on the Saluda

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## Schreck Now Habitat Treasurer



Bill Schreck, city executive of First Union, National Bank of Tryon, has been named treasurer of Thermal Belt Habitat for Humanity, it was announced by B. G. "Woody" Woodham, president of that organization.

Schreck will replace Lou Blair, treas., of Habitat for the last 3 years. Blair is stepping down from the position for personal reasons.

The new treasurer, who has served in his present capacity at the Tryon bank for the past year, is a native of Bay City, Mich., and worked for banks in Asheville and Hendersonville before moving to Tryon.

He is active in Thermal Belt Rotary and serves on the Board of Directors of the Thermal Belt Chamber of Commerce.

Schreck lives in Tryon with his wife, Marti, and daughter, Leslie.

## Housing Code To Be Drafted For Tryon

A housing code which sets minimum standards is in the works for Tryon.

The Tryon Town Council Monday night instructed Town Manager Matthew Dolge to draft an ordinance that would set minimum standards for structures in town, and which would offer remedies the town call follow to remove deteriorated and dilapidated ones.

Councilman Warren Carson has been bringing the issue of dilapidated housing before the council since "long before I was a member of the council," he said Tuesday. He has brought the matter up before council at almost all the meetings he has attended since his election over a year ago.

"I think it is a major problem when you consider the area we are talking about," he said Tuesday. Carson estimated said he knows of 13 "severely dilapidated, abandoned" houses off the top of his head.

Carson and Mayor Bob Neely asked Dolge to draft an ordinance "with some teeth in it." Dolge told them that a formal procedure for condemning unfit housing would involve several notifications of the property owners.

Dolge said he would draft an ordinance based on the North Carolina Model Housing Code and present it at the council's

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