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The weather Tuesday: high 59, low 35, hum. 70 percent, and by 7 a.m. Wednesday .36 inches of rain had fallen.

The Polk County Historical Museum has added a 1870 to 1880 pump organ to its collection recently, museum director Richard Cannon has announced.

The 12-stop organ was donated by Charlotte Fowler of Fox Den Farm in Columbus. Cannon has traced its ownership back to the 1920s. Everyone who remembers the organ says it was originally owned by a black church in Polk County, and Cannon is trying to trace its ownership.

The pump organ was made in Boston by Smith-American Organ Co. with a fine, carved walnut cabinet, and two candle holders to light the music.

If you would like to see the organ, or think you know anything more about its origins, call or visit the museum any Tuesday or Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon. The museum also will be open Super Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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The State magazine has placed a item its March 1991 issue teaser - "Next Month in

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Culbreth Named Fireman Of Year

Phillip Culbreth was named Fireman of the Year Tuesday night by the members of the Tryon Fire Department at their annual Ladies' Night Banquet at the Caro-Mi Restaurant.

Phillip has been a fireman since 1985. He and his wife, Trish, have three children. He is employed with Burrell's Fuels Inc.

Jim Rutledge was the featured speaker for the evening. He talked about team building, and the meaning of pride.

In his remarks, Clarence Scoggins remembered the late Charles Lankford, formerly the mayor of Tryon and a strong supporter of the fire department.

Fire Chief Jimmy Lankford also recalled the loss of two retired firemen, Woody Hague and Eb Bishop, both of whom had served 31 years with the department.

Landrum Loses To Dixie

Landrum's baseball team scored first, bringing in one run in the first inning, but Dixie went on to win 24-2 Tuesday.

Landrum scored its second run in the seventh inning.

Dixie built a sizeable winning cushion in the seventh as the Cardinals made four errors and allowed eight walks.



Carol Greene

New Teacher At Saluda School

Saluda School has had a new sixth grade teacher since the beginning of the 1990-91 school year.

She is Carol Greene, who resdies in the Mills River area of Henderson County with her husband, Corbett, a retiree, and two sons Sean, 18, and Shan, 15.

Born in Asheville, Mrs. Greene is a graduate of West Henderson High School. She holds a B.S. degree in Elementary Education from Lander College in Greenwood, S.C., and an M.Ed. degree from UNC in Charlotte. She also worked toward graduate degrees at the University of Georgia and the University of South Carolina and earned an Associate of Arts degree from Anderson College

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Weather Delays School Construction

Initial site preparation for the new Polk County High School is 64 days behind because of winter rains, but the job should be completed in 30 days, Bob Myers of GMC Management firm told the Board of Education Monday.

Perry Alexander Co. has requested a 61-day extension for the site preparation project, but the company has added extra manpower and expects to be finished in 30 days, Myers said.

Excavation for the main high school building has begun and temporary water and electricity has been provided to the site, Myers reported. Construction is expected to begin at the field house in the next 30 days, he said.

The Building and Finishes Contractor has asked for a 28-day extension, but GMK thought 14 days was reasonable, Myers said.

The new high school project is expected to be finished June 29, 1992, Myers said.

Soil analysis is now underway for the Saluda School Project, Myers told the board. A proposed bid date has been set for mid-April, he said.

GMC has scheduled a meeting with architect John Cort to go through the educational specifications and look at the Polk Central building for renovating into an elementary and middle school, Myers reported.

- C. Wharton.

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