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The weather Tuesday, high 81, low 50, hum. 68 percent.

Donald W. Haynes, director of ministries for the Western N.C. Conference of the United Methodist Church took up the debate on "natural law" recently in a guest editorial.

He says the concept which Clarence Thomas was made to defend in his confirmation hearings for the U.S. Supreme Court is simply "a long overlooked foundation stone of our nation."

He cites, for instance, a letter written by Thomas Jefferson: "He who made us would have been a pitiful bungler had he made the rules of our moral conduct a matter of learned science. For every one man who knows science, thousands don't. God has endowed us with a sense of right and wrong... State a moral case to a ploughman and a professor. The former will decide it as well and often better than the latter because he has not been led astray by artificial rules."

Because Jefferson believed in an *instinctive* sense of right and wrong, he was able to add to the Declaration of Independence these earth-shaking words, "We

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'Let's Talk About It'

Harriet Beecher Stowe told an admirer that her book *Uncle Tom's Cabin* was written by God, dictated to her. Such was the impact of this melodramatic and sentimental novel that some consider it to be one of the causes of the Civil War.

Dr. Peter Barry, History professor at USC Lancaster, was able to define all the causes and enlighten his audience to many exciting facts about, what is for some, the War of Northern Aggression, or the War between the States.

Sun., Sept. 29, participants again enjoyed an afternoon of lecture and discussion on the theme "Rebirth of a Nation", the Landrum Branch library's book discussion program that is becoming so popular.

Funded by the S.C. Humanities Council, the book discussion program for adults, "Let's Talk About It" is a series of five lecture-discussions based on the theme of the Civil War.

Those unable to attend on Sept. are reminded that the next program on the book *Ordeal by Fire*, will be Sun., Oct. 6 at 3 p.m. in the Del Guercio room at the Landrum Library. Call 457-2218 for further information.

—Community Reporter

The Polk County Commission on Aging will sponsor fall foliage tours Oct. 19, departing from The Meeting Place at 10 a.m. Call 894-8876 for more information.



Dr. Charles Latimer

School Psychologist Wins National Honor

Dr. Charles Latimer, psychologist for Polk County Schools, has been awarded Diplomate status in Family Psychology by the American Board of Professional Psychology.

Dr. Latimer is among the first hundred psychologists in the United States to be selected for this honor, which certifies that recipients, after careful examination by peers, meet exemplary standards of education, professional practice, and ethical conduct.

The American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP), the accrediting body in the field of psychology, recently expanded its scope to include the rapidly growing specialty of Family Psychology. Latimer is only the third specialist in

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Investment Consultant Joins Raymond James

James L. Freeman recently joined Raymond James & Associates, Inc., member New York Stock Exchange, as an Investment Consultant in its Tryon office, according to John Boyle, the Account-Executive-in-Charge.

A Certified Financial Planner, Freeman offers a comprehensive range of financial and investment services for individuals and businesses.

Freeman entered the securities industry in 1984 when he joined Prudential-Bache Securities in Hartford, Conn. Prior to that, he held a variety of executive positions in the fields of publishing and printing.

A former officer in the U.S. Army, he received his bachelor's degree from Cornell University and obtained a master's degree in marketing and administration from Columbia University. In 1973, he completed an advanced program in management development at the Harvard University Graduate School of Business.

Originally from Simsbury, Conn., Freeman now resides in Tryon with his wife, Nancy Holms, who is a family therapist and author.

—Community Reporter

The Annual C.W. Farrar Memorial CROP Walk to benefit hunger charities will be held Sunday, Oct. 13 beginning and ending at Landrum First Baptist Church.