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The weather Tuesday, high 70, low 48, hum. 50 percent.

It was like *deja vu* all over again. We read about Henderson County's proposed school merger plans. Consultants have recommended that the Henderson County commissioners fund the merged system at the same level as Hendersonville city schools.

City residents have been paying a supplemental tax of 16.5 cents per \$100. This enabled the city to chip in over \$1,000 per student in local funds. The county's local contribution has been about \$662 per student.

Of course, the city will no longer pay a supplemental tax if the systems are merged. In addition to making up the loss of revenue from the city's supplemental tax, the consultants recommend the county increase its local share to bring all per pupil expenditures to the city's current level.

The consultant estimates a 10-cent tax increase will be necessary.

Perhaps the federal government will see the wisdom in using the peace dividend to invest America's productive

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PC Democrat Women

At the October meeting of the Democrat Women of Polk County Judy Arledge, Lib Correll and Mary Catherine Hicks gave reports of meetings attended this month.

Judy told of the State Democrat Women's meeting in Boone where Janice Faulkner spoke as well as other important women in the party.

Lib Correll attended the Breakfast at Grove Park Inn where Senator Terry Sanford spoke. He stressed the need of training people so they could get off welfare.

Mary Catherine Hicks attended the Vance Aycock dinner along with 20 other Polk Democrats. Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas gave the address. Senator Terry Sanford announced that he will be running again in '92. - PC Democrat Women Secretary.

No Meeting Tuesday

The Polk County American Legion Post 250 will not meet this Tuesday due to election. Their regular first Tuesday meetings will resume in December.

Red Fox Ladies Bridge

Results of the Red Fox Ladies Bridge played Tuesday were 1st. Buna Kearney, 2nd. Kathleen Glunz, 3rd. Agatha Crawford.



Beale & Peggy Fletcher

Teaching The Tango

An adult ballroom dancing class is offered on Thursdays from 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall at Tryon Congregational Church.

Beale Fletcher, founder of the Fletcher School of Dancing in Asheville, is the instructor.

Above, Fletcher and his wife, Peggy, demonstrate the tango. In addition to this dance, class participants will learn the fox-trot, rumba, swing, cha-cha, and waltz. For information on registering for the next class, call Discovery House of the Arts. 859-7691.

Outdoor Burning Strictly Prohibited

Due to the danger of wildfires brought on by dry weather, state officials on Tuesday canceled all burning permits in Western North Carolina.

All open burning is prohibited.

Band Students' Holiday Concert

On Tuesday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p.m. all Polk County Band students will present a festive holiday concert at the Tryon Elementary School auditorium. Those groups performing will be a beginner band, a middle school band, the PCHS concert band, and the PCHS chorus. A very special presentation will also be made by the PCHS colorguard.

Polk Central High School band director, Keith Poole said he anticipates a very fine, exciting, and musical performance from each of the performing ensembles. We expect this to be the best band Christmas Concert ever. The students are beginning to make preparations now for our programs and seem anxious to improve their musicianship and present a quality musical performance. Students involved in the concert will be 6 - 12th graders from Saluda, Tryon Elementary, Green Creek, Mill Spring, Sunny View, and Polk Central.

Mrs. Barbara Poole is the Band Director at Tryon and Saluda Elementary schools and colorguard coordinator for the PCHS colorguard.

You are encouraged to mark your calendars now for this very busy season. The concert is free to the public. Mr. Poole stated we like to provide the Christmas concert as our gift to the community to say thanks for their continued support.

-Community Reporter