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*The Weather Thursday: high 59, low 43, hum. 70 percent, at 7 a.m. Friday .50 inches of rain had fallen.*

Tired of watching unreal sitcoms on television? If you want to see your real government in action instead, you shouldn't miss tonight's session of the Polk County Board of Education at 7 p.m. at Stearns School.

The board meets to decide whether to encourage or discourage Supt. James F. Causby to stay and finish the good work he has begun in Polk County Schools. He might soon have another job offer, and some members of the board say the matter is in his, not their hands. But clearly it is in their power to keep Dr. Causby, and in many ways the future of the schools hangs in the balance. Tune in.

**What's happening:**

The Tryon Town Council meets tonight at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall.

The Tryon Fine Arts Center will hold a "Night on the Town" Jan. 28, featuring a buffet dinner and viewing of *The Horse's Mouth* with Alec Guinness. For more information, call

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## Radio Club

The Thermal Belt Amateur Radio Club will meet at noon on Wednesday, Jan. 29 at the Western Steer on Hwy. 108 in Columbus. All members and aficionados are encouraged to attend.

The TBARC Net is held on Mondays starting at 7:30 p.m. using the new NOSARG repeater on 145.150 MHz. Licensed Hams in the area are asked to participate in this vital and important emergency communications program.

—Community Reporter

## Democrats Pay Tribute

The Democratic Executive Committee of Polk County met Monday, Jan. 20th at 7:30 p.m., at Democratic Headquarters. After a tribute to Ray Reid of Saluda, there was a lengthy and spirited discussion of the upcoming elections - local, state and national.

Attending the meeting were Judy Arledge, Harold Burrell, Elton Cochran (Chair), Boyd and Virginia Correll, Carson Deck, Charlie and Catherine Feagan, Annabelle Gilbert, Hoyt and Jean Gosnell, Bill Holcomb, Wilma Jolley, Hoyt Pack, Don Pittman, and Keith Ritchie.

Democrats are reminded that Precinct meetings and elections will be held Thursday, March 5th. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be Monday, Feb. 17th.

—Community Reporter

## Landrum Water Works Separate from City Operations, Spending Freeze Not Pertinent

Landrum Mayor Robert Cogdell Thursday denied that the water department disregarded a spending freeze because the Landrum Water Works is a separate entity from the city operations.

"To me, it wasn't enacted for the water department," Mayor Cogdell said of a resolution passed in November enacting a spending freeze and requiring that all non-emergency purchase orders over \$500 be approved by the council.

"The water department is self sufficient and operates solely out of its own revenue," explained water superintendent Eric Klerk.

The resolution was introduced by the mayor after the town had to borrow \$50,000 from SCNB to finish out the year in the city's daily operations because county tax notices were late.

But the tax short fall had nothing to do with the Landrum Water Works, which supports itself with monthly charges to its customers, he explained. At the January council meeting, councilman Doug Brannon contended that the spending freeze was disregarded when \$13,000 worth of inventory parts were purchased by the Landrum Water Department. Brannon also maintained that there was no broken main or other emergency to warrant the

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## Buy Philo Higley Summer Residence

Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Sperry have recently purchased and moved into their home in Gillette Woods, Tryon, located on Greenstroke Loop. The house had once been the summer residence of the Philo Higley family, a New York playwright, and was then purchased and completely renovated by Mimi Colby and Betty Daugherty of the Foxtrot Inn.

Dr. Sperry had a dental practice in Normal, Ill. A graduate of the University of Illinois in Chicago, he was originally from the very small town of West Salem, IL. A member of Rotary for about 34 years, he has been a volunteer tutor in a literary program, enjoys reading and painting, and plays the recorder.

His wife, Jo, a former R.N. from Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago, was also an English teacher at Illinois State and Illinois Wesleyan. Her hobby of herb gardening turned into a small business in their home in Normal, IL. with her own herbs and special recipes under the label "Blue Mound". Jo also plays the recorder.

Ellie Roemer, of Coldwell Banker, Town & Country, Realtors was both listing and sales agent in this transaction.

—Community Reporter

The first in the Tryon Kiwanis Club travelogue film series, a film on Italy, will be shown Sunday, Feb. 9. For ticket information, call 859-9016.