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Findlay, Ohio, Saturday Morning, January 28, 1978

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Blizzard Dig-Out Continues

BY JIM HARROLD
 Staff Writer

Findlay remains under a general state of emergency today, as much of the city and surrounding area are still paralyzed by Thursday's blizzard, the worst snowstorm in recent history. The Ohio Power Co. hoped to have electricity restored to most area customers by this morning. But Interstate 75 and all major roads throughout the area were closed late Friday and are likely to remain that way through the weekend. Despite the bitter temperatures, no weather-related deaths had been reported Friday in the city or Hancock County. City, county and state snowplow crews

now face a long and difficult task — to clear roads of snowdrifts reported as high as 15 feet. Their efforts will be slowed because many drifts are packed so hard a snowplow cannot penetrate them, so front-end loaders will be needed to do the work. Blowing snow and huge snowdrifts became such an obstacle Thursday and Friday that police agencies and road crews spent all their time just responding to emergency calls. Actual clearing of roads may take one to two weeks, officials estimated. All motorists stranded on I-75 were reported to have been rescued by late Friday. But most residents in the Findlay area were stranded in a different way —

at home, where many still had no heat Friday and food supplies were sometimes running low. Mayor Donald S. Renninger declared a state of emergency in the city at 5 a.m. Thursday. That declaration will continue through Sunday or Monday, the mayor said Friday. Under the state of emergency, city residents are to stay home unless they are employed in a critical operation. Renninger encouraged residents to stay indoors and try to conserve energy. Any persons in cars or on foot, who hinder or block rescue operations or road-clearing efforts will be arrested. "We're going to definitely start arresting people who are out sightseeing,"

Renninger said. "People who are out should have a definite mission. We just cannot tolerate them impeding the work of our rescue workers." Renninger said four-wheel-drive trucks driven by volunteer rescue workers were "running into the sightseers a lot." Persons arrested for violating the declaration face a maximum penalty of 60 days in jail and a \$500 fine for each offense. The mayor ordered retail stores in the downtown area, the shopping center, and elsewhere in the city to remain closed today, except stores that handle food and drugs. Also, Renninger and the Rev. Gerald Davison, president of the Hancock County

Ministerial Association, agreed Friday that no church services should be held Sunday in Findlay. The blizzard first hit the area about 2 a.m. Thursday, following a night of rain, the Findlay Flight Service reported. All day Thursday winds from the west and southwest blew from 43-54 miles per hour, and gusts hit 62 mph at one point. The high winds caused new and previously-fallen snow to blow and drift. Zero visibility kept snowplow crews off the roads, and hampered Ohio Power employees in their efforts to reach malfunctioning power stations. The snow finally stopped at 10:45 a.m. Friday. By then, 10 inches of snow had

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Snowdrifts Slow Road Clearance

Many days of work lie ahead for city, county and state snowplow crews in the wake of Thursday's storm. Road-clearing work will be slowed by huge snowdrifts that are too much for normal snowplow trucks to handle. "It's the worst storm I've ever seen in my lifetime," said Findlay's Street Superintendent Rolla Zell, who said he hopes city streets can be cleared "within a week." County Engineer Bob Morrison reported drifts in the county as high as the cabs of graders trying to clear the roads. He said it will take "at least four days" to open county roads "in just one lane." A spokesman for the local state highway garage reported road crews there were in terrible shape late Friday. Snowdrifts as high as 15 feet lay across I-75. And of the state's 21 snowplows, only four were operating.

Power Should Be Restored In Area Today

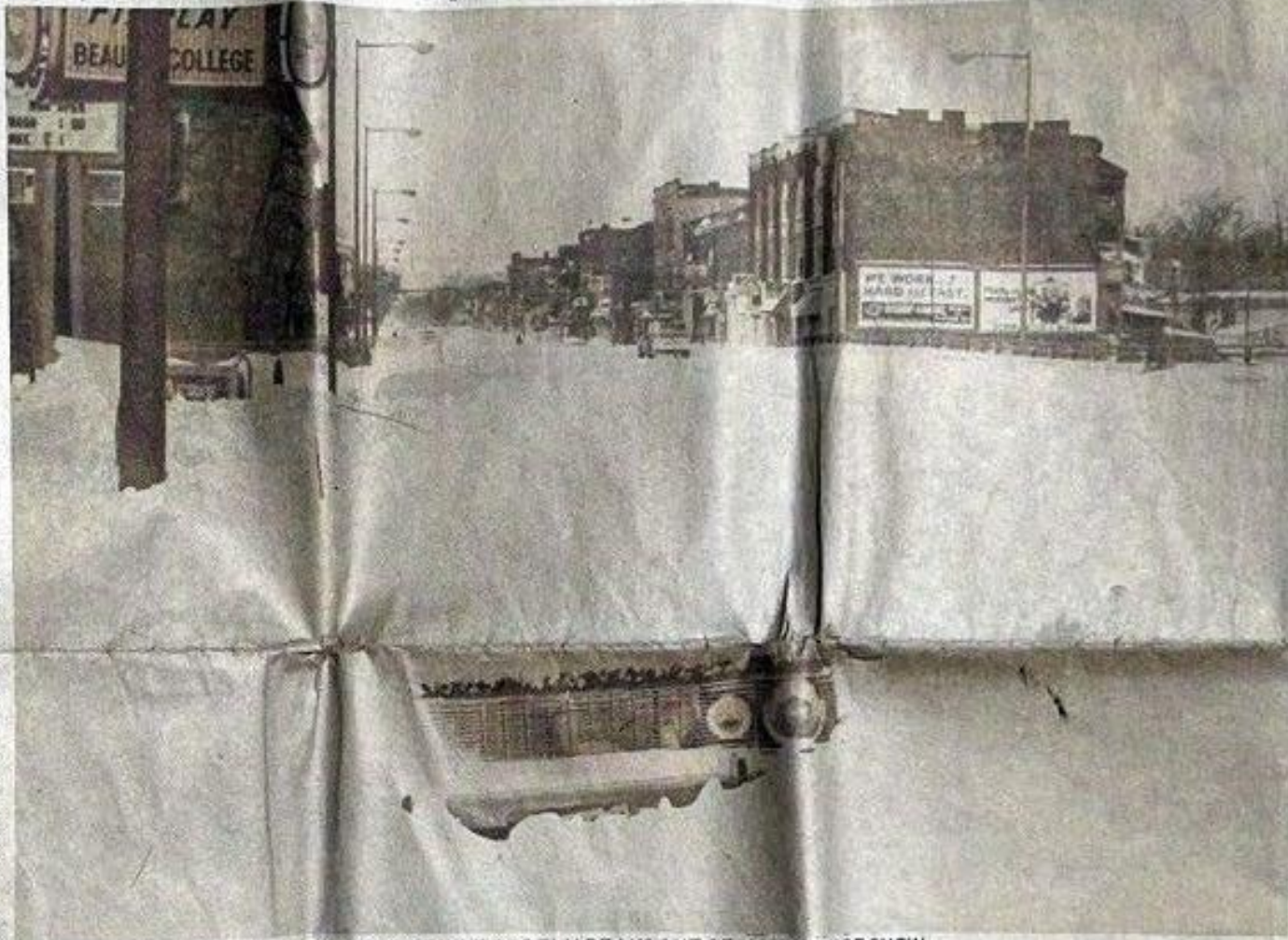
Several areas served by Ohio Power Co. were still without electricity late Friday, but the company hopes to have all power restored by early today. At one time early Thursday, nearly all Ohio Power customers in the Findlay area were hit by an outage. The outages caused many area homes to be left without heat as the blizzard raged. Power had been restored to most customers late Friday, but company workers were still trying to get electricity flowing in McComb. Carl Goldsberry Jr., area manager for the company, said many of the outages were apparently caused by circuit breakers that locked open, and motor-operated switches that malfunctioned during Thursday's blizzard. "Some of our equipment did not operate the way it was designed to operate," Goldsberry said Friday, but noted that

The net were either broken down or stuck somewhere — three were stranded on the interstate with one tipped over on its side in the median. Zell said there is "no city street you can get down with a plow from one end to the other." Instead, front-end loaders will have to be used, Zell said. "They will have to pick up the snow and move it — but where are we going to move it to?"

City snow crews could do little during the storm Thursday, Zell said. "The wind was so bad you couldn't see." On Friday the city's six snowplows were all working, but were being stopped cold by huge snowdrifts. However, Main Street and some other major thoroughfares had been opened, while plow crews attempted to make paths down other streets for emergency vehicles. "For now, we're just trying to open up all streets to one lane for emergencies. We'll have to push the snow back later," Zell said Friday.

To help clear snow, the city used about 10 front-end loaders. Only one of those was the city's. Local contractors hired by the city, and local companies supplied the rest. Loaders were supplied by Cooper Tire and Rubber, Northern Ohio Sugar, Ohio Engineering, National Lime and Stone, Tarbox McCaff, and others. In the county, the situation was no better.

"It is severe. It is critical," Morrison said Friday. "We ask people to stay at home and not travel. People have been very cooperative up to now." Morrison's crews could not get to work Thursday. County snowplows were used to clear a number of Findlay streets Friday so those employees could get to the county maintenance garage. The county crews labored Friday to clear roads for emergency workers: employees of Ohio Power and Hancock-Wood electric companies who were trying to restore power, and rescue squads seeking stranded motorists. "We're not worrying about opening



CAR GRILLE BARELY PEAKS OUT OF MOUNTAIN OF SNOW drifts pile up on Main Street and throughout city

Thousands Stranded In North

By Associated Press
 Thousands remained stranded Friday and millions tried to dig out after a record-breaking blizzard that passed over the nation's North. At least 74 persons were killed in the storm. Sixty were stalled for more than 12 hours aboard a train stranded in an Indiana snowdrift. Denver hotels were reported full with airline passengers diverted from Eastern airports. Police issued warnings in the Midwest for drivers to stay off roads. Authorities reported 15 persons died in Wisconsin as a result of the storm, 11 died in Ohio, 10 died in Illinois, nine each died in Michigan and Indiana. Other states reporting weather-related deaths were Alabama 3, Georgia 2, North Dakota 2, Kentucky 2, Pennsylvania 2, Maryland 2, and one each in South Dakota, Virginia, Tennessee, Minnesota, West Virginia, Maine, and Nebraska.

President Carter declared a federal state of emergency in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. The foul weather that crossed the East on Thursday included the blizzard in the North, hurricane force winds through the South, heavy rains, and flooding in West Virginia and elsewhere. Thousands were still trying to deal with the effects of the storm. Work crews finally dug through a wall of snow Friday morning to rescue the 60 persons stranded aboard an Amtrak train that stalled in a snowdrift in Indiana and froze to the tracks. Travelers were still trying to get home

abandoned, snowtrapped vehicles to emergency shelters, hotels and motels. Roads were getting better, but travel advisories were still in effect. And people were still trying to get through, despite drifts that were as high as 15 feet in some places. A Wisconsin traffic officer said of the blizzard-challenging drivers: "I can't believe how stupid people are. No matter what you tell them they won't stay off the roads." Schools, offices and factories remained closed in Indiana and elsewhere as workers awaited road-clearing efforts. Thousands of National Guardsmen struggled with the blizzard in several states and President Carter authorized the 5th Army to help out in Ohio. A 1-year-old boy died in Indiana from exposure after the house heating his parents' mobile home broke down on Thursday. Minnesotans awoke to a bitter cold Fri-

day morning, but most of the blizzard-affected areas saw warmer weather. But the warm weather in the East on Thursday created problems as last week's snow melted and rivers and stream overflowed their banks. West Virginia was the hardest hit by the flooding and thousands were evacuated from their homes. The flooding spread from North Carolina north into New England, but much of the water receded Friday.

Rough Weather May Be A Pattern

By TOM JOURNEY
 Associated Press Writer
 COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — More rough weather could jolt Ohio this spring, a weather forecaster warned Friday as a paralyzing winter storm began to weaken its grip on the state. Unlike last winter, when sustained high pressure kept temperatures in the state below freezing for weeks, this January's weather has been marked by frequent quick storms. "I would look forward, if this type of weather pattern persists through the spring, to a very strong severe storm season" that would include tornadoes, said Thomas A. Seliga, head of the atmospheric sciences program at Ohio State University. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources has already warned of possible flooding when the snow melts. The same warning was issued last year but a slow thaw saved the state from serious high water problems. As bad as the weather has been this month, Seliga said that does not mean the state is entering a new ice age. "There might be another in 1,000 or 2,000 years," he said. "There does seem to be some sort of cyclic pattern in the weather," Seliga said. "It seems to run in a 22- or 24-year period and these cycles seem to be reoccurring. If that's the case, then

there may be some relationship with solar activity because solar activity has an 11-year cycle but there's also a 22-year cycle. There is some evidence then to think there is some relationship to solar activity, but... that's a whole new area that people are getting concerned about." While weather forecasting has improved over the last 30 years, Seliga said the science of predicting the weather has a long way to go. And he blamed modern society for making the weather seem even worse. "We become so interdependent on so many different factors that I think that's what we're seeing," he said. "Just 30 years ago I think weather certainly affected us seriously but we were not nearly as socially affected as a large part of society. We were individually able to cope with it because we did not depend on electricity in the home for our heat... we didn't depend upon going to grocery stores as we do today. As an atmospheric scientist, I feel like I've got to stress the importance of that — that in the future we've got to know better about weather and more and more about how the weather is going to affect us and how we might be able to predict better the weather."

Flooding Threatens As Ohio Digs Out

By Associated Press
 The search for victims of Ohio's worst winter storm began Friday as the threat of flash flooding compounded problems for residents and rescue teams. "This is the morning that most of us dreaded. It's here," said Gov. James A. Rhodes as he opened a Friday news conference. "The picture is not good," the governor added. "It may not be good for the next two or three days." The National Weather Service forecast flooding was forecast on the Ohio River from Portsmouth to below Cincinnati. Rains of the past few days over Kentucky, West Virginia and southern Ohio will cause river levels to rise above flood stage. The weather service said the Ohio was expected to crest at 51 feet at Portsmouth Sunday morning, one foot above flood stage. A crest of 54 feet was expected in Cincinnati early Monday, where flood stage was 32 feet. The National Weather Service lifted flash flood warnings in Morgan and southern Muskingum counties when water stopped rising behind an ice jam on the Muskingum River at Duncan Falls. More than 125 residents near Philo Dam were evacuated to a nearby school.



Storm Pictures
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0; midnight 9; speed, direction of winds, 40-58 mph, west; atmosphere cloudy, 9/10 inches snow; Friday: high 15; low 4; midnight 5; speed, direction of winds, 14-36 mph, west; atmosphere, cloudy, 8 inches snow.

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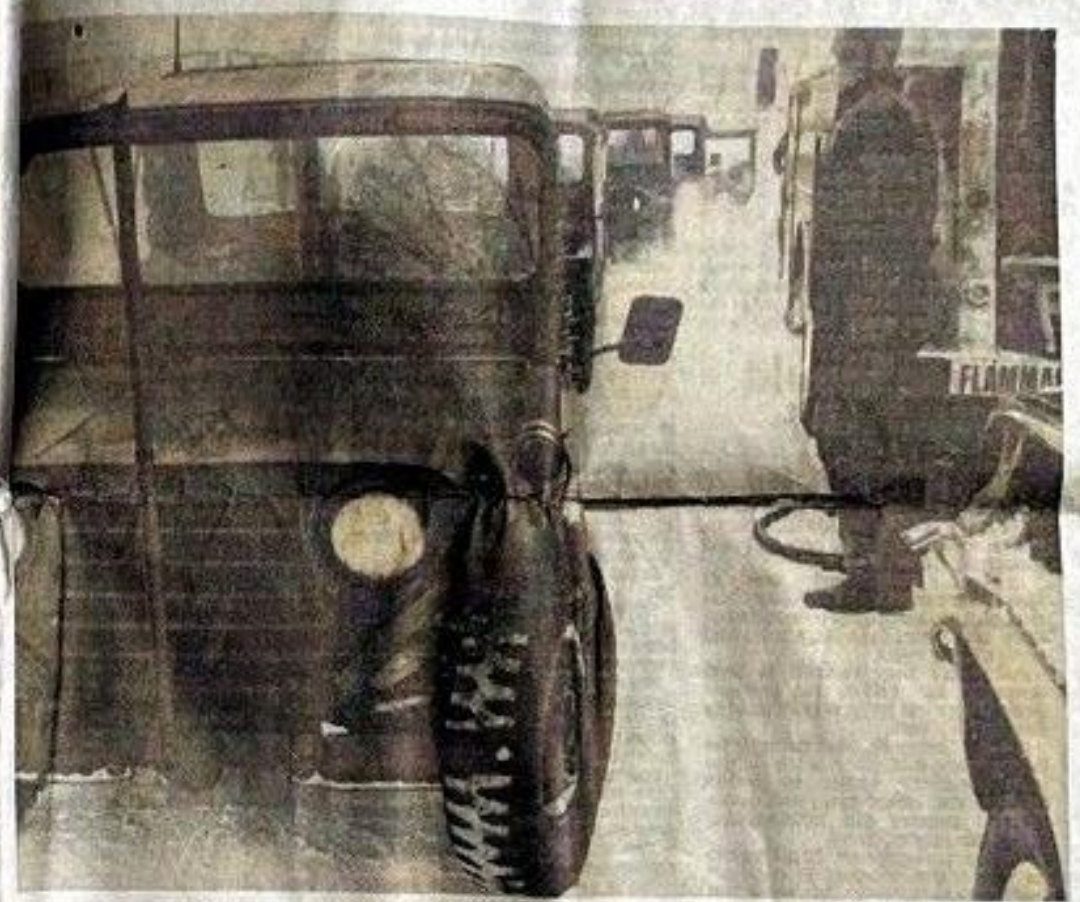
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WALKING TREACHEROUS FOR THOSE DURING THE BLIZZARD
person blown down on Larkin St., then helped up

Photos by Neil Moore

Coping With The Worst Of Conditions



Grocery Shopping

For those who could trudge their way to grocery stores, the scene was like shopping in the Klondike. Persons used sleds, newspaper carrier bags and back packs (below) to take new stocks of food home in the wild wind and biting snow.

Vital Fill-Up

National Guard jeeps line up for a refueling stop on Main Street in downtown Findlay — refueling directly from an Ashland Oil Co. tank truck. Mayor Renninger received permission to use personnel from Findlay's National Guard unit for emergency runs.



SLEDDING TO THE STORE
Amy Diller improvises



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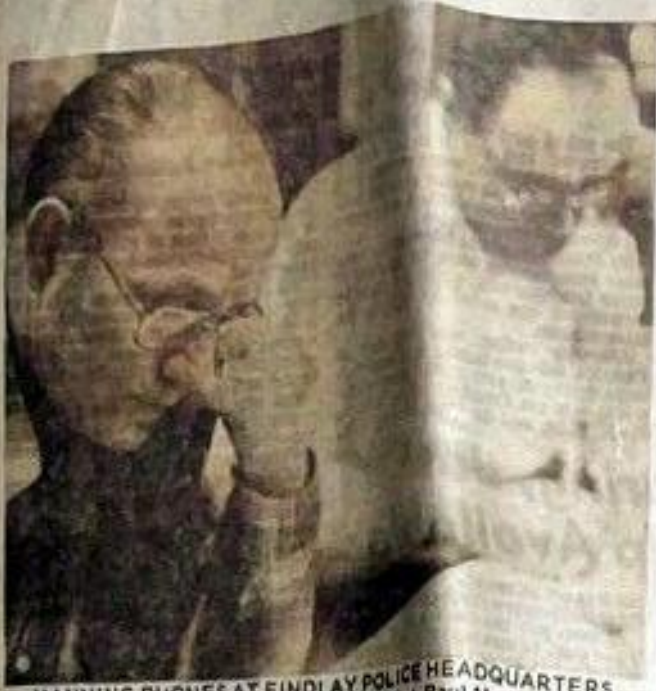
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MANNING PHONES AT FINDLAY POLICE HEADQUARTERS
Detective Sgt. Richard Sims and Sgt. Paul Moon



Photos by Nick Moore

RED CROSS PROVIDES FOOD AND COTS AT FINDLAY YMCA
about 80, mostly local, persons use emergency shelter



SURPRISED VISITOR — Seattle truck driver Joe Covey learned about Ohio weather the tough way this week. Covey pulled into Findlay Wednesday night in hopes of picking up a load of furniture and returning to the west coast. But he woke up Thursday to find his truck snowed in and ended up spending the next 38 hours holed up in his heated sleeper-cab on West Hardin Street. He finally sought refuge Friday in The Courier building.

Neighbors Help Neighbors During Blizzard Emergency



MANY VOLUNTEERS HELP OUT
Chris and Carol Riley driving 4-wheel truck

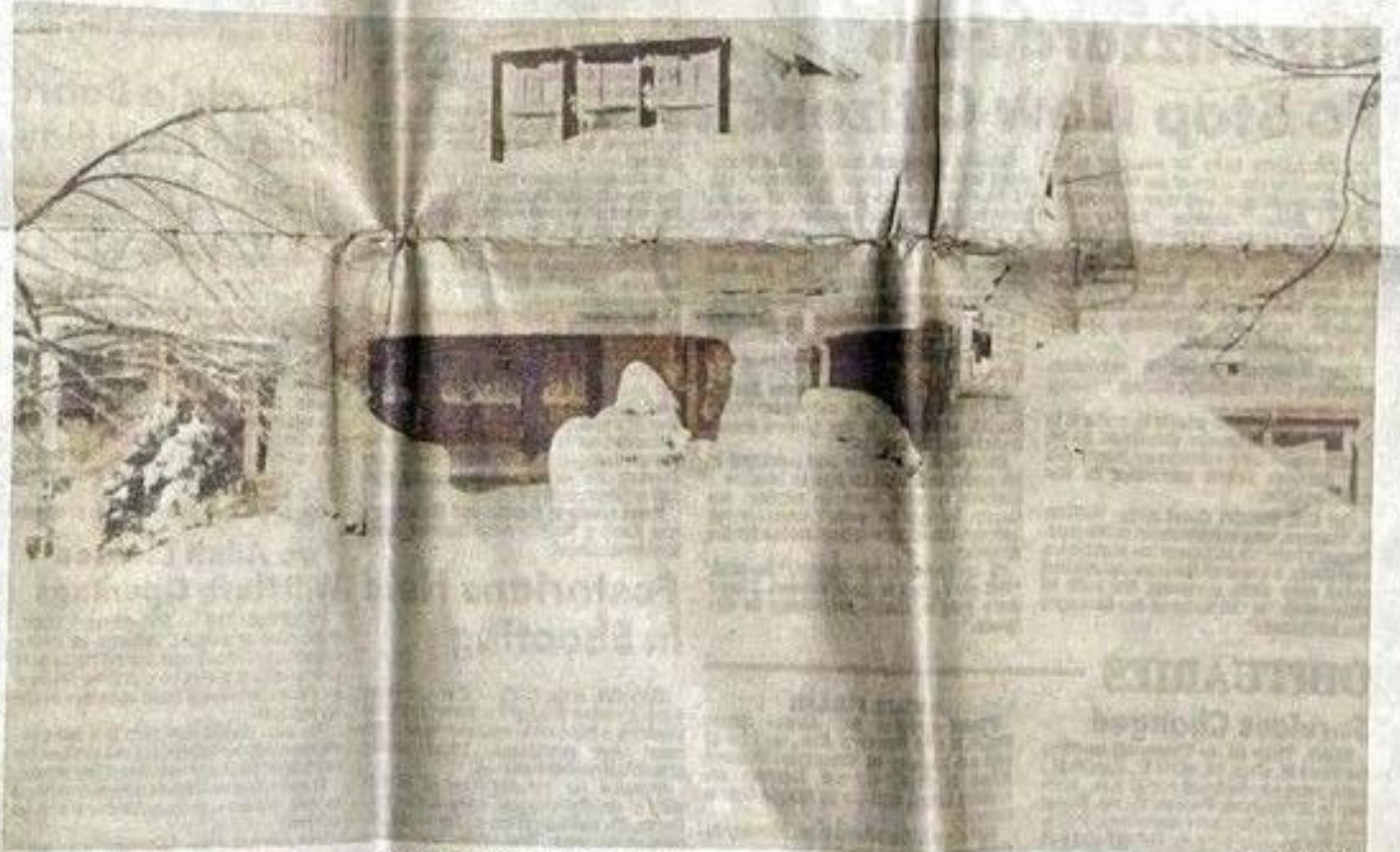


Photo by John Cain

SNOW DRAPES ACROSS LAWN, SHRUBBERY AND PORCH
residence on 800 block of Summit Street on Friday



Photo by John Cain

MAIN STREET SNOW DEEP AS PARKING

STORM SIGNS — Radio stations WFIN-WHMO in cooperation with local police initiated a flag system in the aftermath of the storm Friday to help volunteers. This red flag on Main Street meant shelter was available. A black flag meant help was needed. Several other colors were also used.



SNOWMOBILES OFTEN ONLY MEANS OF GETTING AROUND sheriff's deputies leave on an emergency rescue mission

Photos by Nick Moore

Blizzard

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fallen, not counting Wednesday's one-and-a-half inch snowfall, according to Ray Burkholder, U.S. Weather Observer in Pandora.

The blast set a new monthly snow record for this area of 32.9 inches, beating the previous record of 23.2 inches set in January, 1918. Total snowfall for this winter is now 60.8 inches.

Police agencies and hundreds of volunteer rescue workers swung into action Thursday and Friday, to aid stranded motorists, persons in need of emergency medical care, bring food to homes that had run out, and evacuate residents whose homes were without heat.

The patrol cars of the Findlay Police Department and the Hancock County Sheriff's Department were grounded by the snowdrifts. Both police agencies called for the aid of snowmobilers and owners of four-wheel-drive vehicles.

By Friday, dozens of four-wheelers and some snowmobilers were working out of police headquarters, while the sheriff's department was aided by eight to ten snowmobilers.

Although looting was reported in Fostoria, only two incidents of breaking-and-entering were reported Friday by city police — at the Thunderbird Drive-Thru, 514 N. Main, and the Fort Findlay IGA,

1926 Tiffin Ave. Further details were not available.

The sheriff's department had little use for four-wheel-drive vehicles. Snowdrifts in the county were so mountainous that only snowmobilers could get through in many cases.

But in some cases, persons in need of help could not be transported on a snowmobile, and the sheriff was using two tractors with snowblowers, and a four-wheel drive tractor to help clear the way to such people.

The city street department and the county road department worked full-time Thursday and Friday to help rescue workers reach persons in need of help.

Also aiding in rescue operations were members of the Ohio National Guard, operating out of Findlay's armory. Many snowmobile and four-wheeler volunteers were also helping the Guard.

The main concern of officials Thursday was helping Ohio Power employees get to company substations so power could be restored.

A major operation by rescue workers Friday was evacuating stranded motorists from the interstate rest areas north and south of Findlay. Today, it will "become essential to get some food" to isolated families who are running out, Mayor Renninger said.

Many local grocery stores are expected to run short of some supplies this weekend. One store that will not run out of milk is the Sur-Sav on North Main, where two milk trucks were stranded.

As many as 80 stranded motorists — mostly local residents — were housed Thursday and Friday in the YMCA, where cots and food were supplied by the Red Cross. But until 5:30 p.m. Friday, the YMCA had no heat because of the power outage. Other stranded persons were being housed at the Salvation Army, and the Red Cross headquarters on West Pearl Street.

Many stranded people were being sheltered in private homes.

Blanchard Valley Hospital was forced to use electricity generated by its auxiliary power plant from 7:10 a.m. until about 11:30 p.m. Thursday. However, William Ruse, president of the hospital association, reported no major problems. The hospital was operating under its disaster plan, with employees working special 12-hour shifts.

The hospital's food and fuel supply were reported to be in good shape, but clean linen will probably run out tonight, Ruse said. He was trying Friday to make local arrangements for linen.

The hospital had over 240 patients late Friday, many brought in from outlying areas by rescue workers, Ruse said.

Wildlife Suffering, But Not Much Help Available

By MICHAEL HOFFMAN
Associated Press Writer

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — That icy wind that's been driving the mercury down to arctic-like temperatures around Ohio is having its effect on animals as well as on people, but there's not much help available to the wild things.

There's not a great deal that can be done for most of the wildlife affected by the snow, ice and wind, officials say, but there are some things that will help.

It's important that people who have been feeding birds in their yards keep up their efforts because chances are those birds won't make it through next week without the food they've become used to.

People can help save the fish in their ponds by clearing the snow off the ice, letting sunlight get to the water. Sunlight helps make oxygen which the fish need to survive.

Last winter Ohio experienced a severe fishkill because of snow covered lakes and ponds. The state restocked public waters,

but it is not allowed to supply young fish for privately-owned ponds and lakes.

At least half the surface of a body of water must be cleared for it to have any real effect in keeping the fish alive, explained Wildlife Division official Robert Strohm.

Strohm warned that cutting holes in the ice doesn't help because it doesn't get enough light to the water below.

Ohio's quail population is "definitely going to be affected by the deep snow," Strohm said. This will be the second year in a row that this popular gamebird has suffered seriously from the winter weather.

The state's whitetail deer herd, estimated at over 100,000 animals, can be expected to survive the severe weather without help from man, Strohm said.

Clearing deep snow from brush and downed tree limbs can be an effective way to help birds and small animals such as rabbits, by providing needed shelter from the wind and blowing snow.

Snowdrifts

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roads for the purposes of traffic," Morrison said Friday.

He agreed that many snowdrifts were simply more than a snowplow can handle: "This snow is not the type of snow you can move with trucks. Until it warms up and that snow loosens up," front-end loaders will have to be used heavily. "We even tried to get a grader up (U.S.) 220 Friday morning, and couldn't get it through the drifts," he added.

All major roads handled by local state highway crews were closed late Friday,

with little hope they would be open today.

State snowplows were stranded in various places around the county. Some were stuck, others out of gasoline, and one was upset in the median on the interstate. Three other trucks were stranded between Arlington and Williamstown on Route 30.

Some state snowplows and front-end loaders were working late Friday, but a spokesman said he had "no idea" when I-75 will reopen. "We're just trying to get to the emergencies," he added.

Riverdale Board Told Forest School May Have Coal Shortage

MOUNT BLANCHARD Riverdale Local School maintenance supervisor Roy Weber warned school board members Monday that it will be difficult to heat the Forest building if the current coal strike continues.

To maintain the heat level in the other buildings, the board voted to purchase a \$18,528 boiler from Fremont Boiler Co. The company was the lone bidder when the board opened bids Monday night.

Make-up days Riverdale students will attend to compensate for the classes canceled during bad weather were discussed but no dates were set.

In other action, the board agreed to sell old, outdated books to the Fellowship Christian School.

The board also listened to a progress

report on the Youth Employment Training Program which provides on-the-job training and vocational training for youths aged 16-18.

Craig Wiget said four agricultural vocational students recently received awards in the Ohio Duroc Breeders Judging Contest, held this month in Kenton. Eleven members participated, Jeff Bell, Jeff Cole, and John Myers comprised the team which won second place. Doug Parsell was awarded second place and Jeff Bell, ninth when contestants competed on an individual basis.

It also was announced that the junior high tournament will be held the first two weeks in February. Representatives of the Athletic Boosters Club were invited to attend a future board meeting to discuss the possibility of their constructing a field house for the school system.

Scrambled Eggs

SOUTH PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Traffic on Ocean Street was blocked for 1½ hours after a trailer truck loaded with 90,000 eggs flipped onto its side.

The 10-wheel DeCoster Egg Farms truck was driven by George Smith, 33, who told police he swerved to avoid a small car which had stopped to make a turn. Nobody was injured in the mishap.

After police rerouted traffic Friday, the eggs were unloaded and a wrecker helped right the truck. Then the crated eggs were loaded onto the vehicle.

"I don't know how many were broken," said Patrolman William Butcher.

Foundrymen Meet Feb. 1

TOLEDO — The Toledo Chapter of the American Foundrymen's Society will have its monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 1 at the Quality Inn, located at Wales Road and I-75 in Toledo.

The speaker will be Robert S. Ryan, director of the Ohio Department of Energy. The subject of his talk will be "The Future Ohio Energy Supply."

Most Area Roads Remain Closed

Almost all roads were reported closed Friday evening in the areas surrounding Hancock County.

Electricity was reported to be out in many rural areas, also.

The Walbridge Post of the Ohio Highway Patrol said I-75 through Wood County was closed to traffic.

"The thing looks like a junk yard," an

officer said in reference to stranded vehicles.

In addition, a spokesman there said the Ohio Turnpike was closed along its entire length.

A spokesman at the Wood County garage said crews were encountering 8-12 foot snowdrifts.

The southbound lane of I-75 in Allen

County was reported to be completely closed Friday evening, the Lima post of the patrol said. The northbound lanes were open only between a few exits.

Several jackknifed semi-tractor trailers in the Bluffton-Beavertown area were blocking the highway in both directions, he said.

The Allen County Sheriff's Department said only the heaviest of snow-removal equipment, such as graders and front end loaders, were being used.

The village of Gomer, located about seven miles northwest of Lima, was approaching 40 hours without electricity, a spokesman said.

Snowplows in Putnam County were called back in Friday night after roadways continued to drift shut after they were plowed.

A Chessie System freight train was being used by the Putnam County Sheriff's Department to make emergency runs between Lima, Ottawa, Leipsic and Deflers. One woman was taken by rail from an isolated location in the county to Sylvania, where she gave birth to a baby, a sheriff's spokeswoman said.

The Seneca County Sheriff's Department reported that all highways were virtually closed Friday evening.

"They've been going out to clear them, but one minute there're open and the next minute they're blown shut again," a sheriff's spokesman said.

Snowplows in Wyandot County were being used only for rescue operations Friday evening, as portions of the county were still without electricity.

Road crews in Hardin and Henry were also having trouble with blowing snow, spokesmen said.

Big Blizzard Fails To Stop New Citizens

CLEVELAND (AP) — Braving gale force winds in the wake of the blizzard of the century, 27 men and women became United States citizens Friday in ceremonies before a judge who spent the night in his office because of the storm.

Jinja Barker, a South Korean native who lives in suburban Parma with her husband, Harry, and 2-year-old daughter, Michelle, said the citizenship meant, "I've a good life to live."

Her daughter waved a miniature American flag excitedly, asking, "What's this mommy?"

Many others were unable to make it to the federal courthouse downtown as officials urged only emergency travel and the massive storm continued to immobilize Ohio.

But U.S. District Court Judge William K. Thomas, who was stranded at the courthouse Thursday and spent the night in his chambers, welcomed the participants and noted they were receiving the oath of citizenship "in the wake of the century's No. 1 blizzard."

Quoting passage from the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy, Thomas said, "I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore, choose life but that thou and thy seed may live."

He added, "This is it that you have chosen life in America so that you and your families may live free."

Thomas admonished the new citizens, "Let's keep the beautiful in America beautiful. Let us make more beautiful those things in America that are ugly and harmful."

Among the new citizens were Joseph and Ursula Kubicki of suburban South Euclid, who came to the United States from Poland 12 years ago.

Kubicki, 44, a teacher and principal in his native land, said he had to become a machine operator here to support his family, but that he wasn't complaining because it meant new opportunities for his daughter.

"I don't make it for myself," he said. "But she is going to go to college. I hope she's going to make something in the future."

OBITUARIES

Services Changed

ROSS, Viola M. — Committal services for Viola M. Ross, 80, of 315 W. Hardin St., have been rescheduled for 10 a.m. Monday in Kirkpatrick Funeral Home. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be from 7-8 p.m. Sunday and 9-10 a.m. Monday in the funeral home.

Mrs. Ross, a retired court reporter, died Wednesday in Winebrenner Extended Care Facility.

MOORE, Eva N. — Funeral services at Kirkpatrick Funeral Home have been postponed. Time of services will be announced.

Mrs. Moore, formerly of 331 Midland Ave., died Wednesday in the Hancock County Home.

HUFFMAN, Olive C. — Funeral services for Olive C. Huffman, 1504 Bliss Ave., have been rescheduled for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Trautman Funeral Home, the Rev. Edwin Beach officiating. Visitation will be after 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Mrs. Huffman died Wednesday in Fox Run Manor.

ELIZABETH LEATHERMAN CLOVERDALE — Mrs. Elizabeth Leatherman, 75, Cloverdale, died at 1:50 a.m. Friday in Van Wert County Hospital. She had suffered a stroke last Saturday.

She was born March 24, 1902, in Grove City to Emery and Theresa (Feyh) Rader. She married John E. Theis in 1923 and he died in 1936. Aug. 25, 1938 she married Doyle Leatherman and he survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Alfred (Ethel Mae) Blockberger Jr., Defiance; sons, Ralph Theis, Delphos; and James Leatherman, Defiance; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Leatherman was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Fort Jennings, the American Lutheran Church Women and the Mandale Community Club. She had been a clerk in Washington Township, Paulding County, for several years.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Taylor Funeral Home, Oakwood, the Rev. John Cox officiating. Burial will be in Mellinger Cemetery, near Mandale. Visitation will be after 3 p.m. Sunday.

CLARA KRISCHBAUM BLUFFTON — Clara Krischbaum, Route 1, Bluffton, died at 2 p.m. Thursday at Marietta Nursing Home, Findlay.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Basinger Funeral Home, Bluffton.

JAMES S. FULLER

Funeral services for James Sayre Fuller, 56, 1316 Bernard Ave., will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Trautman Funeral Home, the Rev. Gerald Davison officiating. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Visitation will be after 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home.

Mr. Fuller, who was a chef at the Holiday Inn, was dead on arrival at 4:30 a.m. Wednesday at Blanchard Valley Hospital.

He was born March 6, 1921, in Columbus to Leslie and Halcym Fuller. He married Mildred Jett and they were divorced. She survives. Jan. 21, 1978, he married Vivian St. Myer Flugga and she survives.

Also surviving are step-children, Richard and Steven Fuller, both of Portsmouth; Susan, no address; Charles Baker, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Dennis and Shelley Flugga, at home; four step-grandchildren, brothers, W. Dean and Jerry, both of West Jefferson; Leslie Jr., Worthington, Bert, Florida; Jack, Columbus; Dave, West Virginia; and a sister, Mary, New Jersey.

Mr. Fuller was a veteran of World War II, having served in both the Army and Navy. He was a member of Findlay Evangelical Congregational Church, Eagles Lodge No. 2118 and Amvets Post 21.

BEULAH C. STOVER

Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Beulah C. Stover, 76, of Findlay, are incomplete at Kirkpatrick Funeral Home.

Mrs. Stover died Wednesday in Blanchard Valley Hospital.

VALENTINE 'VAL' DRURY

COLUMBUS GROVE — Funeral services for Valentine A. 'Val' Drury, 85, of Columbus Grove, will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Hartman Sons Funeral Home, Columbus Grove, the Rev. Robert Baer. Burial will be in Truro Cemetery.

Mr. Drury died at 12 a.m. Thursday at St. Rita's Medical Center, Lima.

He was born Feb. 14, 1892, in Putnam County to John and Phoebe Ann Drury. He married Bessie Roethlisberger and she survives. Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Joe (Ruth) Hoover, Wapakoneta; five grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Drury was a member of the Columbus Grove Masonic Lodge; Columbus Grove American Legion; Brotherhood of Maintenance of B & O Railroad; and Columbus Grove St. John's United Methodist Church. Mr. Drury was a veteran of World War I and a retired B & O Railroad employee.



SNOW BANKS PILE DEEP ON MAIN STREET storm called worst in recent history



Conditions Improving Farm Damage \$48.2 Million

By TOM DIEMER Associated Press Writer COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The devastating weather has caused an estimated \$48.2 million damage to farm equipment and livestock alone around Ohio the past two days, state officials said Friday.

from heart attacks or exposure. There were unconfirmed reports that several highway incidents.

The major general said he had been informed by a federal official in Washington that Ohio had not been "specific enough in the amount and type of equipment that we want."

"Without the help of thousands of people in Ohio, we would not be able to cope with this blizzard," Rhodes said. "The picture is not good. It may not be good for the next two or three days."

'Gasman' 1 Of Many CB 'Helpers'

NORTH BALTIMORE — One of the many volunteers assisting stranded persons during the storm was Cber Marion L. Perry of North Baltimore.

He is partially responsible for organizing several snowmobilers in the North Baltimore area who rescued a number of motorists off I-75 in the vicinity of the Cygnal Road exit.

Perry reported Friday evening that there were six snowmobilers in periodic contact with him on I-75 and another four or five around North Baltimore.

Many of the persons were brought from I-75 and parts of Ohio 18 to temporary shelters at the Air Products Inc. plant and a North Baltimore school.

Perry — known as "Gasman" on the CB — is the sole member of the National Radio CB posse, an emergency organization which he is trying to expand to include as many residents of the North Baltimore area as possible.

Among the situations Perry said he has come across since Thursday are a woman who was "freezing to death," and who was transported to Wood County Hospital in Bowling Green; a North Baltimore fireman who was taken to Blanchard Valley Hospital for a heart attack; a pregnant woman in a home on Rudolph Road who was eventually transported to a hospital; and a woman in a stranded vehicle who was having seizures.

Perry said he decided to attempt organizing the CB posse after the blizzard one year ago this weekend.

"Everybody has been great about operating," he said of the North Baltimore police and various residents of the area who own four-wheel drive vehicles, snowmobiles and CB units.

River Barge Threatens Dam

WARSAW, Ky. (AP) — A buildup of ice in the Ohio River broke loose Friday, releasing backed-up water and washing at least 13 loose barges toward the Markland Lock and Dam near here.

A clerk at the dam said the ice flowed "through the locks pretty well" and the dam was not damaged.

The leading edge of the ice was submerged, officials said, and passed through the dam without incident. The ice prompted a rise in the river below the dam, but no damages were reported.

However, Gordon Nichols, spokesman for the state Division of Disaster and Emergency Services, said nine of the loose barges were in a group and "those are the ones that they're worried about."

Nichols said the Army Corps of Engineers were trying to divert the barges with tugboats.

"If they can't do that," he said, "then when the barges get down close to the dam they will go through a procedure of letting a little water through the gates, stopping it, letting a little water through and stopping it. Hopefully this will let the barges nudge against the dam without damage."

Nichols said if the dam was breached when hit by barges, rising water below could pose a danger to anchored boats. He said the barges broke loose on the river during the storm of Wednesday and Thursday.

Officials at Carrollton, about 20 miles below Markland Dam, said they were evacuating some families in low lying areas as a precaution, Nichols said.

Cancellations

- Debra Nivison — Merle Crawford wedding canceled.
- Flag City Buckeye Breakers Club meeting today canceled.
- Decision on Findlay College-Bluffton College basketball game at Bluffton will be announced on radio today.

Stores Open

The following food stores, contacted Friday night by The Courier, planned to open this weekend. Many of the establishments said they were running low on some food supplies.

- Sur Save, 2721 N. Main — 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday; two truck-loads of milk, no bread other supplies good — 423-7963.
- Sterling Dairy Store, 224 Walnut — some milk, no bread, other supplies good — 423-2223.
- Country Market IGA, U.S. 224 West — no bread, some milk, canned goods — 423-1531 or 423-2423.
- Great Seal, Inc. — 1729 Tiffin, 423-1922; 3021 Broad, 423-6521; 2411 S. Main, 423-3822; West Main Cross and South West, 423-2505; limited hours Saturday; regular hours Sunday.
- Lawson Dairy, 2461 N. Main, 423-7642; no bread, milk, canned goods, open at 10 a.m. to 7:40 P.M., 424-0294; no bread, no milk, every thing else; Saturday 5:30 a.m. to 7:30 P.M., 424-9092; 301 Tiffin, 424-0226; 710 S. Blanchard, 423-9983.
- Campus Carry-Out, N. Main and Tiffin, 424-0084 — no bread, milk, lunch meat, canned goods and beverages; emergency delivery.
- Gripps, 417 Crystal, 423-1382 — Saturday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., most foods.
- Parey's Fruit Bin, U.S. 224 East, 422-4454 — Saturday to 8 p.m. to 8 p.m., no bread, some milk, most other things.

TODAY — Snow is forecast today, not for Ohio, but over the northern Rockies and parts of Washington and Oregon, according to the National Weather Service.

Calm After The Storm

Sunrise: 7:49 AM Sunset: 5:56 PM Northwest — Snow flurries and slowly diminishing winds today through Sunday. High Saturday and Sunday 15 to 20. Low tonight zero to five below. Chance of snow is 60 percent today and 40 percent tonight.

Ohio — Partly cloudy southwest and snow flurries elsewhere with slowly diminishing winds today through Sunday. Highs today and Sunday 15 to 20. Lows tonight zero to 10 below.

Indiana — Partly cloudy south, snow flurries north through tonight. Cold with lows are to 5 above. Highs today in the teens to 20. Sunday, partly cloudy with highs in the teens to around 20.

Extended Outlook — Monday through Wednesday: fair Monday and Tuesday with a chance of snow Wednesday. Highs mostly in the 30s. Lows zero to 10 above Monday rising to the teens and low 20s by Wednesday morning.

Emergency Generator Keeps WFIN On Air

Operating on an emergency generator and an improvised amplifier, WFIN-WHMQ has been everyone's friend during the storm's siege.

Station staffers Bill Rumbold and Mike McKittrick were the first to arrive at the station's studios in the Hancock Savings and Loan Building Thursday. Seeing the seriousness of the blizzard which had hit the area a few hours earlier, they decided to go on the air at 5:30 a.m., 40 minutes earlier than normal.

They did this by placing a call to Jerry Miller, who lives at the transmitting tower at Olive Street and Brookside Drive, about two-and-one-half miles south of the city limits.

Electricity had already gone off at the transmitter, so Miller turned on the gasoline-powered emergency generator there.

Because of the emergency situation, Rumbold and McKittrick decided to broadcast the two stations simultaneously instead of the usual separate airings.

Staffer Paul Cox then arrived at 6 a.m. The stations broadcasted music and emergency messages until 8:20 a.m., when the power went off at the downtown studio.

Rumbold then went to work. He improvised a battery-operated amplifier, plugging it directly into the line that feeds the broadcast to the transmitter tower.

"We just by-passed all the studio equipment," Rumbold said.

The station, studios illuminated by three candles and a flashlight, then resumed operation.

But the generator at the transmitter had only 10 gallons of gasoline, and was using this at a rate of three-and-one-half gallons per hour.

Meanwhile, News Director Tom Sheldon arrived by snowmobile at 10 a.m.

Because of the gasoline situation, the broadcasters decided at 11 a.m. to begin broadcasting at 10-intervals every half hour.

This lasted into mid-afternoon, until the station cut back to only a ten-minute broadcast at the beginning of each hour. It was apparent that getting more gasoline to the transmitter would be extremely difficult.

Federal Communications Commission rules permit stations to broadcast past allotted times during emergencies, so the station ignored its 5:30 p.m. sign-off time. WFIN-WHMQ finally signed off after a final 10-minute midnight broadcast.

The staff members stayed at the studios the Thursday night in case of any emergency, Rumbold said. Power at the studios had been restored at about 9 p.m. Thursday.

By Friday morning, Findlay Street Supr. Rella Zoll had gotten 80 gallons of gasoline to the transmitter, which was still without power.

The stations resumed simultaneous broadcasting at 6 a.m., Rumbold said. They were on the air continuously all day Friday and into Friday night, broadcasting emergency messages and informing listeners about the seriousness of the situation outside their doors.

Plow Operator Dies In Storm

BOWLING GREEN — A snowplow operator for the Wood County Highway Department froze to death in Thursday's storm, the sheriff's department reported Friday.

However, the spokesman said the incident was still under investigation Friday and he would not release any further information.

He added that high drifts would keep even the major roads in the county closed for several days.

Bluffton College Dorms House Stranded Drivers

BLUFFTON — Dormitories at Bluffton College housed about 50 persons Thursday night and Friday seeking refuge from the storm.

Although most of the village lost power at one time or another on Thursday, the college never did. Bluffton Fire Department Capt. Darrell Huber said.

He said Friday that the village was still virtually shut off to incoming or outgoing traffic.

Streets in the village which were plowed out to one lane were still drifting shut afternoon, Huber said.

He said eleven persons with snowmobiles had volunteered their services to take stranded persons or those without home heating to shelters.

Electricity in half of the village went out between 7:30 and 8 a.m. Thursday, with most of the remainder of the community joining the blackout at 2 p.m.

Power in most of the village was restored Friday afternoon. However, Huber said many of the outlying areas were still without electricity late Friday afternoon.

Tanker Out Of Danger After Riding Out Storm

CLEVELAND (AP) — The tanker Saturn was reported out of danger Friday, proceeding on its own after riding out a storm on Lake Michigan in which winds reached 80 knots, the Coast Guard said.

The Coast Guard station at Muskegon, Mich., said the 100-foot tanker had earlier reported that it was unable to make headway in the storm and was heading in to the waves of 15 to 20 feet to ride it out.

But by Friday morning, the winds and waves subsided, and the ship's master told the Coast Guard that further assistance would not be necessary.

The Saturn was one of 17 vessels which informed the Coast Guard that they were still operating on the icy Great Lakes.

The ore carrier Charles M. Beeghly, which ran aground in the ice-filled St. Marys River on Thursday, was being assisted by three Coast Guard cutters and was also reported in no danger.

The vessel's first mate, Eivon Alles, said there had been some damage to three ballast tanks on the 306-foot ship, which was hauling a load of taconite ore, and the vessel was listing slightly.

Meanwhile, another ore carrier, the J. Burton Ayers, was freed from ice at Pelee Passage on Lake Erie after being trapped for a week and was awaiting a break in the weather before being escorted to Cleveland by the icebreaker Northwind, the Coast Guard reported.

Fire Damages Findlay Home

A house at 219 Monroe Ave. was heavily damaged by fire during Thursday's blizzard.

The Findlay Fire Department received the call at 11 p.m. Three units fought the blaze for six hours. Fire Chief George H. Ayers said.

He said the firefighters were hampered by high winds and poor visibility. There were no injuries reported.

The names of the occupants are not listed in the Findlay City Directory, and were unavailable from Kennedy.

The cause of the fire is under investigation, he said.

As conditions eased and electric power was restored to most portions of state, Gov. James A. Rhodes hailed Ohioans for the "greatest combined effort ever" in the face of crippling weather.

Rhodes would not estimate the loss in lives or property damage resulting from the storm, which he has called the worst in Ohio history.

"My job is not to keep track of the dead," Rhodes said at a briefing. "My job is to keep track of the lives ones."

At least six weather-related highway fatalities were reported, most apparently

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Public Utilities Commission Chairman C. Luther Heckman said 90,000 electric utility customers still were without power as of mid-afternoon, but that was down from a high of about 175,000 Thursday.

Heckman said the smaller rural electric cooperatives were not making as much progress restoring power as public utilities serving metropolitan areas.

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STRANDED EN MASSE — While some traffic moves Friday on Interstate 55 near Bowlingbrook, Ill., others on other highways are stranded in snow. The cars and trucks have been stranded since Thursday's blizzard.

Besides Lives, Hardships Storm Costs Ohio \$2.1 Million Per Day In Overtime Salaries

WORthington, Ohio (AP) — Besides the cost in lives and personal hardships, this week's blizzard is costing Ohioans at least \$2.1 million daily in overtime salaries for state workers, a budget official said Friday.

"We won't know the accurate figures until it's over," said William Wilkins, director of the state office of management and budget. "But I think everybody is committed to coming up with whatever it takes."

Work done by the thousands of state-paid personnel who are working in essential services during the emergency is being coordinated at the Ohio Disaster Services Agency, located in the Columbus suburb of Worthington.

As soon as the visibility allowed Friday, the first of 30 Ohio National Guard helicopters began making airlift missions from Worthington and the Akron-Canton airport.

"We can't respond to everyone," said Col. Robert Orr, the guard's aviation officer. "We are trying to respond only to people with severe medical problems."

One of the first helicopters dispatched from Worthington was sent to Bellefontaine where an infant with a collapsed lung needed transportation to a special intensive care unit in Columbus.

Before it arrived, however, the infant died and the helicopter was diverted to another location.

Virtually all state agencies have representatives at the disaster services' emergency operations center to help solve problems created by the blizzard.

On plant and they are on an auxiliary supply. And they — When Bowling Green's water supply went out Friday, personnel from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency were sitting one table away from each other to begin help.

"There are two problems," said EPA water specialist Bob McEwan. "The electric power is off at the plant and they are on an auxiliary supply. And they use a gasoline-powered pump to get raw water from the river, and they're out of gas."

A PUCO official said McEwan that a snow plow was digging a path for a Toledo Edison repair crew en route to the downed power sub-station which supplies the water plant. McEwan relayed the information to Bowling Green's city manager. A guard representative sitting nearby provided the telephone number of the nearest armory where the needed gasoline could be sought.

The cost of salaries overtime for the guardsmen, department of transportation, mental health, corrections and Highway Patrol and the state personnel could run up to \$13 million a day, especially if more guardsmen were called to active duty, Wilkins said.

He said the tab for paying Thursday and Friday will be \$24 million.

Young Couple Die In Storm After Refusing To Be Rescued

ASHKUM, Ill. (AP) — John Sorenson and Judith Lottich lived together and died together, huddled in their stranded car on a lonely stretch of road in a snowstorm. Authorities said the young couple had rejected rescue efforts, hoping to wait out the storm on their own.

The bodies of Sorenson, 24, and Ms. Lottich, 19, were pulled Thursday night from their car on Interstate 57 near this town about 75 miles from the Chicago suburb of La Grange, where they lived. Snow drifted to 4 feet deep around the car, rescue workers said.

The two had met at the University of Illinois in Urbana and both worked the night shift at a General Motors plant near La Grange, said Alex Bersin, a friend.

Bersin said the couple apparently had left Wednesday night or Thursday for Urbana, where both had attended classes at the university last year.

During the height of the storm Thursday morning, the National Weather Service warned: "Being lost in open country during a blizzard is almost certain death."

Hours before the bodies were found, rescuers on snowmobiles checked the area for stranded motorists. Acting Coroner Phyllis Jameson said Sorenson and Ms. Lottich were one of several couples who refused to leave.

When rescue workers made it to the car again Thursday night, the couple was dead. The ignition was turned off, the exhaust pipe was free, there was a quarter tank of gasoline left and the vent window was open, said Trooper Len Addison. "The car was practically buried with snow."

have created a suction which drew carbon monoxide fumes into the car. The couple may have gotten groggy, tired off the 12-nation, fallen unconscious and died.

"We have to wait for the laboratory reports but they probably had carbon monoxide poisoning as a result of a combination of both," the state coroner said.

"I'm speechless," said Dr. Lottich's father, Philip. "You know, it had to be a parent to be objective but the usual objective standards she was very unusual girl — intelligent, warm, beautiful and considerate."

Sorenson's other, a state general in the Air Force Reserve, was scheduled to be at a NATO meeting and could not be reached. His mother, an executive secretary at General Motors, also was unavailable.

Lottich said his daughter had "a very creative person and always wanting to do other things for people."

"When the coroner called me this morning, she said one of the things that her body was a donor card asking that her kidneys be given to some deserving person," she said. "Apparently that she was not able to be done because of the nature of death, possibly carbon monoxide. But I can't do as an example of her thoughtfulness. This is just unspeakably sad."

Addison speculated high winds may

News Digest

Talks Resume Monday
TEL AVIV, Israel — Egyptian and Israeli defense ministers will resume talks early next week in Cairo on plans for Israel's withdrawal from the Sinai Peninsula, official sources said here Friday.

The talks will start Monday, said one source who asked anonymity. He said the official decision on sending Israeli Defense Minister Ezer Weizman to Cairo is to be made Sunday by Prime Minister Menachem Begin's cabinet.

There was no immediate comment from Egypt.

In Washington, U.S. officials said quiet American mediation has brought Israel and Egypt closer to agreement on a declaration of principles for a settlement.

Carter Plans Speech
WASHINGTON — President Carter will address the nation next Wednesday night on his efforts to win ratification of the Panama Canal treaty, the White House announced Friday.

Press secretary Jody Powell said the time and format for the speech have not yet been determined. He implied that Carter plans a television-radio speech but said he did not know if the White House would formally request air time from the three major commercial broadcast networks.

The presidential spokesman said Carter has not altered his position on changing the treaty language to meet objections of critics. Powell said Carter opposes any changes that "would disrupt the process" of ratification.

CB Crackdown Started
WASHINGTON — The Federal Communications Commission announced Friday the start of a nationwide crackdown on the illegal sale of 23-channel Citizens Band radios.

Selling the sets can subject an offender to a \$10,000 fine or up to one year in prison or both.

FCC rules bar sale of 23-channel sets, new or used, that were approved by the commission before Sept. 10, 1976. But use of such sets purchased before Jan. 1 is not affected.

Uncle Sam Saving
WASHINGTON — A recent drop in the unemployment rate may save Uncle Sam more than a billion dollars.

President Carter asked Congress Friday to defer authorized spending of \$1.38 billion earmarked for

Sweden Debt Grows
STOCKHOLM, Sweden — The government is asking Swedes to tighten their fiscal belts to help combat a record national budget deficit and prolonged period of economic stagnation.

A new austerity budget presented by the government for fiscal 1978-79 is aimed at fighting a projected deficit of \$3.4 billion. It's the first budget drafted by the three-party coalition government that unseated the Social Democrats in late 1976 after four decades of Socialist rule.

Flu Outbreak Feared
KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Malaysia is bracing for a major outbreak of "Russian" influenza with health officials predicting the epidemic will peak during the Chinese New Year period around Feb. 7.

Dr. Lam Sai Kit, director of the World Health Organization's influenza center at the University of Malaya in Kuala Lumpur said the Russian flu strain first appeared in Moscow on Nov. 5, spread to Hong Kong a week later and appeared in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur in mid-December. He gave no figures on those affected.

Flu Vaccine Won't Be Ready
WASHINGTON (AP) — A major manufacturer of influenza vaccines said Friday his firm will begin production of Russian flu vaccine next week, but the vaccine won't be ready before the end of the present flu season.

The government's confirmation on Thursday that Russian flu has broken out in Wyoming raised fears that an epidemic could sweep the country this spring with no vaccine available to protect even the elderly and chronically ill for whom influenza can be fatal.

"We are going to start annual production next Friday," said a spokesman for Merck Sharp & Dohm in West Point, Pa., "but it is not possible to have a vaccine in any quantity before June or July."

The flu season normally runs its course before May.

The Merck spokesman, Richard C. Boswick, said his company is proceeding on the assumption that the government will ask industry to produce a vaccine containing protection against the new Russian strain for the flu season beginning this fall.

"We're expecting A-USSR (the Russian flu), perhaps in combination with A-Texas, B-Hong Kong or both," Boswick said.

The A-Texas flu strain already has reached epidemic proportions in the United States this year, and the Hong Kong has plagued the nation's children for the past several years. Experts disagree on whether the two strains will disappear by next season.

Representatives from the medical and scientific communities, consumer groups and industry will meet in Washington Monday to advise Health, Education and Welfare Secretary Joseph A. Califano Jr. on how to prepare for the upcoming flu season.

A decision is expected soon after that on what vaccine the government wants produced, how many doses, who should receive it and whether the government or private sector will accept responsibility for liability claims resulting from inoculations.

A spokesman for the nation's largest

Flu Vaccine Won't Be Ready
single producer of flu vaccine, Parke, Davis & Co. of Detroit, said Friday the firm is working to develop a vaccine to protect against Russian flu but is still "in a very preliminary stage."

Gordon F. Goyette Jr., said Parke Davis expects to begin injecting fertilized chicken eggs with the Russian flu virus in early February and the vaccine will not be ready for three or four months.

The companies grow the virus in the eggs, harvest it, kill it and manufacture the vaccine from the virus.

Fu experts attending a planning session at the National Institutes of Health two weeks ago said that if the Russian flu arrives in the United States within two or three weeks it could cause a major new epidemic in the country before this season is over.

But officials of the government's Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, still wary after last year's abortive swine flu campaign, say there is no way to know at this point whether the new virus will spread in epidemic proportions in the next few weeks.

Nazis Right To March Supported
SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Swastika-bearing Nazis have a First Amendment right to march in Skokie, a predominantly Jewish suburb of Chicago, even though village officials fear violence will result, the Illinois Supreme Court declared Friday.

In a ruling which the judges said they made "reluctantly," the court said: "... One man's vulgarity is another man's lyric."

"The display of the swastika, as offensive to the principles of a nation as the memories it recalls may be, is symbolic political speech intended to convey to the public the beliefs of those who display it."

Skokie officials and Nazi leader Frank Collin could not be reached immediately for comment, but both sides had said they would appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court if they lost. Justices of the nation's highest court already have considered the case twice on procedural grounds.

On June 15, the Supreme Court ordered a village ban on any demonstration by Collin's group lifted or reconsidered by a state court. The ban was modified, and on Aug. 26 Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens refused to stay the modified ban. Collin said in a letter to the Chicago

Nazis Right To March Supported
Tribune Jan. 11 that if the courts ruled in his favor, he would have "no further interest in Skokie or any other area generally hostile to national socialism."

Skokie officials had sought to ban the Nazis from marching both by court order and by adopting three restrictive ordinances, one requiring that the group take out a \$350,000 insurance policy before conducting its demonstration.

The village contends that thousands of relatives of victims of the Nazi holocaust and hundreds of its survivors who live in Skokie would be moved to violence by the painful memories that marchings neo-Nazi would evoke. The village's 69,000 residents include about 40,000 of Jewish ancestry or faith.

But the Illinois high court said it is up to the citizens of Skokie to stay away from the Nazis' march if they consider it offensive and "if they can do so without unreasonable inconvenience."

Citing previous U.S. Supreme Court rulings on the right of free speech, the court said the First Amendment was designed to prevent government from controlling by law the political beliefs a citizen may express.

"That the air may at times seem filled

Weather Aids Bandits
DULUTH, Minn. (AP) — Two men dressed for the weather in snowmobile suits and ski masks robbed a suburban Duluth bank and roared away on a snowmobile with their loot.

The FBI joined local authorities in investigating the case.

Correction
In a story carried in Thursday's Courier, Findlay, Ohio Press erroneously reported that the 761st Battalion which fought in World War II was the only black unit to ever receive a Presidential Unit Citation.

According to the Army, the all-black 888th Central Postal Directory received a Presidential Unit Citation on March 1, 1945 for action at Bassaglia, Italy.

Judge Wants Sources
WASHINGTON — Jack Anderson's \$25 million damage suit against former President Richard Nixon and his aides will be thrown out of court unless the columnist discloses his sources, says a federal judge.

Anderson is accusing Nixon and the others of conspiring to harass him because of his articles, but the columnist has refused to name the sources of information on which some of his charges are based.

U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell ruled Thursday that he would dismiss the suit unless Anderson discloses his sources.

Sadat Visit Expected
WASHINGTON — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat is expected to announce on Saturday that he will visit the United States for talks with President Carter on Mideast peace prospects.

Sources here disclosed the pending visit along with progress in behind-the-scenes negotiations with Israel on a declaration of principles for an overall settlement.

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin is also due to visit Washington but not until late March or early April. He will come on a private visit to mark Israel's 30th anniversary.

ORDINANCE NO. 1978-6
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 37.01 AND 37.45 AS AMENDED, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, RELATING TO THE CLASSIFICATIONS AND COMPLEMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE AND FIRE IN THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, REPEALING ALL FORMER ORDINANCES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Council of the City of Findlay, State of Ohio, two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: That Section 37.01 as amended, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Findlay, Ohio, pertaining to the classifications and complements in the division of police which reads as follows:

Section 37.01 Classifications and complements.

"The police department of the city shall be classified: One chief of police; one captain of police; 4 lieutenants; 7 sergeants; and 39 patrolmen; patrolmen to be classified as class A patrolmen, class B patrolmen, and probationary patrolmen as set forth by ordinance.

(B) The police department of the city shall be composed of the following offices and members: One chief; one captain; 4 lieutenants; 7 sergeants; 39 patrolmen; 100 G.V. ready mix concrete per City of Findlay specs. (* see note below.)

60 each 6" mech. ft. gate valves (* see note below.)

60 each 6" mech. ft. tapping gate & sleeves (* see note below.)

200 each catch basin castings per City of Findlay specs. (* see note below.)

30 each manhole castings per City of Findlay specs. (* see note below.)

1,500 LF. 2 1/2" fire hose meeting following specs: (* see note below.)

1,000 LF. 1 1/2" fire hose meeting following specs: (* see note below.)

3 lug brass coupling or light weight rubber type, 6004 test, National Safety Threads, Nylon, or Dacron Construction.

200 1/4" corporation stops (Mueller Threads).

30 1" corporation stops (Mueller Threads).

200 1/2" copper to copper stops.

28 copper to iron stops.

20 1/2" iron to iron stops.

20 1/2" iron to copper stops.

10 1/2" copper to iron stops.

10 1/2" iron to iron stops.

125 1/2" copper to male I.P. adapters.

125 1/2" copper to female I.P. adapters.

50 1/2" copper to copper 2-part unions.

20 1/2" copper to 1" female I.P. connections.

25 1/2" copper to 1" male I.P. adapters.

25 1/2" copper to female I.P. adapters.

SECTION 2: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Findlay, Ohio, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to furnish new materials for the various operating departments of the City to continue their various essential services to its inhabitants.

WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Richard E. McVay
President of Council
Donald S. Renninger
Mayor

Passed January 17, 1978
Attest Kathryn Fowler
Clerk of Council
Approved January 18, 1978
January 21, 28, 1978

ORDINANCE NO. 1978-7
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE SAFETY OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS FOR THE LEASE OF CITY-OWNED FARM LANDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Council of the City of Findlay, State of Ohio, two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: That the Director of Public Service Safety of the City of Findlay, Ohio, be and he is hereby authorized to advertise for bids and enter into a contract or contracts for the lease of city-owned farm lands for the period of One (1) year.

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WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Richard E. McVay
President of Council
Donald S. Renninger
Mayor

Passed January 17, 1978
Attest Kathryn Fowler
Clerk of Council
Approved January 18, 1978
January 21, 28, 1978

ORDINANCE NO. 1978-8
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE SAFETY OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS FOR THE LEASE OF CITY-OWNED FARM LANDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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10 Solitary
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12 — Johnson
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23 Katharine
24 Stationery
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25 Did a
model's job

Yesterday's answer
26 Masonry
27 Threefold
28 Rich cake
29 Word of
welcome
30 Half, city

CRYPTOQUOTES

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: A MAN CAN SUCCEED AT ALMOST ANYTHING FOR WHICH HE HAS UNLIMITED ENTHUSIASM.—CHARLES SCHWAB

By STELLA WILDER

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28 — Born today, you have a well-enough developed artistic sense to enable you to become recognized as a knowledgeable critic. Your tastes are broad, your approach to others' work tolerant and tenacious. You insist on encouraging other people's talent, and you could well become a genuine patron of the arts, discovering and nurturing good, young talent.

Your high-strung nature makes you extremely sensitive to others' feelings, and causes your own feelings more ups and downs than may be good for you. There are times when you are not sure how you feel about something. Fortunately, you do not confuse emotion with intellectual response and you can be trusted to keep your criticism objective. Your moods may at times be justified on the grounds of ill health; generally you should enjoy physical and mental well-being.

Although you enjoy your relationships, you do not depend on them for security. You have great faith in yourself and your ability to succeed, as well as in your wisdom in setting goals. You can be relied upon to produce when you have committed yourself to doing so, to keep promises, protect confidences, and guard trusts.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today should be interesting for the studious, beneficial for the wise. Select companions with care.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Ambition may be more drawback than asset. Consult one who knows you and has run the race you propose.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Indicate your degree of approval of a new project, or you may find your friends working against you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Unruly youngsters this morning may make you lose interest in a proposal for afternoon.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Don't cut off your nose to spite your face. These days demand great tact and force.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — If you accept another's explanation, you will recover from recent hurts holding you back.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Avoid fatiguing mental exertion early this evening. There is much to do after dark!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Consequences of old mistakes may mar the start of a new project. Move slowly forward and keep your eyes open.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — An occult experience leads you to express yourself mystically to another. A friend may falter.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — The exploitation of your artistic abilities brings gain you little expected. Children lend an air of expectancy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Be responsible to your own position, and you improve chances of getting an executive promotion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Travel time is best today. Take care to heed warnings, especially traveling alone.

The Worry Clinic

By GEORGE W. CRANE, Ph.D.M.D.

Discuss Clifford's ideas in Sunda School. For the billions we spent on the moon shots were really not motivated by our usual rationalization about military defense.

CASE N-642: Clifford D., aged 31, is an astronomy professor.

"Dr. Crane," he began, "I have been amused by the way that female Texas atheist keeps trying to get into the headlines by saying there is no God."

"She's a twin for that flea you mentioned in your banquet address."

"You said it landed on the toe of a giant but then, because of its myopic vision, loudly pontificated that there was no giant."

"For I haven't seen any giant," the flea boasted.

"Well, Dr. Crane, Prof. Shapley, Harvard's astronomy authority, stated that among the billions of suns (stars) in our universe, he conservatively figured at least one million (1,000,000) were twins for our solar system, with a planet like earth revolving around each such sun.

"Those 1,000,000 planets must have water, vegetation and a temperate climate that permits human life."

"So he argued they were either already inhabited or at least inhabitable."

"And why do atheists think we spent so many billions of dollars on our flights to the moon?"

"Or to photograph the terrain of Mars or sample the temperature around Venus?"

"There is nothing of great material value in the rocky sphere we call our moon, so our space exploration wasn't primarily to find gold or even develop floating platforms for spying on Russia."

"Dr. Crane, why don't you tell your readers what you told our crowd tonight?"

SCIENTIFIC FANCY

Prof. Clifford knows that we try to rationalize our moon shots and other explorations in space by saying they furnish valuable observation posts for weather forecasting, or beaming TV around the earth or even spying on the Communist military build-up.

For many scientists figure the taxpayers would feel it was silly to squander billions of dollars to see if the Bible is correct.

Yet that is the basic univocal motive underlying our miraculous space flights the past decade!

Our space exploration is to resolve the feud between the evolutionists vs. the Garden of Eden supporters!

For if we find life and especially evidence of other human beings on any of Prof. Shapley's estimated 1,000,000 inhabitable planets moving around stars in our Milky Way, then what?

Will that fortify the believers in a sudden implantation of infra-human and human life on our planet Earth or add more assurance to the atheists and evolutionists?

If we ever develop space ships that can take us to an inhabited planet elsewhere, and we were to meet human beings much like our own kind, would they have evolved from a single cell in the oceans?

In fancy, try to imagine that there might be human beings on all 1,000,000 of those inhabitable planets that Dr. Shapley mentioned.

If they were also like us human beings here on this planet, then would evolutionists insist they had evolved from separate happenstance evolution of a living cell in each of those 1,000,000 distant planetary oceans?

Or would it seem more logical to assume some Master Mind or Cosmic Creator may have made them all?

Our underlying interest in possible visitors from outer space, (plus our own future cosmic exploration) is really motivated by the age-old, universal hunger for logical proof of the God we all subconsciously feel MUST be there!

The ancient Tower of Babel shows that all races of mankind have had it, too!

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Minute Pulpit

And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick. Luke 9:2.

An outlined task was given to Christ's first disciples. Maybe something you do today will please Him and help another.

THE LOCKHORNS

WHITE WINE GOES WITH FISH, RED WINE GOES WITH MEAT—THIS GOES WITH EVERYTHING!

WHO WERE YOU ON THE PHONE WITH FOR SO LONG?
I WAS TALKING TO THE TAPE ON HELEN'S ANSWERING SERVICE
ALL THAT TIME?
IT'S MORE FUN TALKING TO THE TAPE THAN TO HELEN!

I THINK YOU CAN STOP FERTILIZING YOUR WALNUT TREE NOW, IRWIN.

GERRY GOMEZ IS IN CHARGE SO IF IT OUGHT A GO! IF THEY CAN RAISE THE MONEY!
THE CANTEN COULD REALLY TAKE OFF IF ENOUGH KIDS GO AN' MAKE IT THE 'IN' THING!
THEY MADE JILL THE CLEANER AND IN CHARGE OF THE SNACK BAR!
WHICH MEANS FINDING KIDS TO RUN IT!
WHICH MEANS TENDING IT YOURSELF WHEN THEY DON'T SHOW!

HEY, STUPID CAT! YOU WERE OUT KIND OF LATE LAST NIGHT, WEREN'T YOU? WHAT WERE YOU DOING, STAR GAZING?
NO, YOU'RE SO STUPID YOU PROBABLY DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT A STAR LOOKS LIKE!
HEE HEE HEE

DID YOU FINISH MAKING THE SIGN FOR ME, ZERO?
YEAH, AND I PUT ALL THE PAINT CANS AND BRUSHES AWAY
GET THEM OUT AGAIN
LAWNDRY RUME

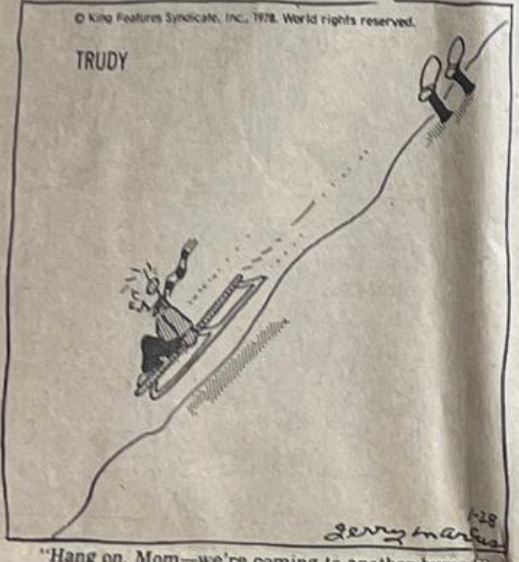
WHAT DOES THAT BIG FLUFFY CLOUD REMIND YOU OF?
CONDENSED WATER VAPOR.
HOW PICTURESQUE CAN YOU GET?

DOES YOUR DOG EVER JUMP OVER THE FENCE?
NOT WHILE I'M ON HIS SIDE OF IT

OOPS! I'M SORRY!
BONK!
IT WAS MY FAULT... ARE YOU HURT?
NO, I'M OKAY—
BUT I'LL PROBABLY NEED A WHOLE NEW REAR ASSEMBLY

YOU CAN TELL WHICH WAY THE WIND IS BLOWING BY WETTING YOUR FINGER AND HOLDING IT UP
THEN WHICH EVER SIDE DRIES FIRST, UH...
SHUCKS! NOW HOW WILL I TELL?

TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF DEAR—I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'D DO WITHOUT YOU—
HOWEVER—
FIRST THING I'D DO WOULD BE TO GET A NEW CARPET—THIS ONES A MESS



FOLLOWING THE FORMULA

IN THE 1930S WRITER FRANK HUMMERT DEVELOPED THE "SOAP OPERA", THE STYLE CAUGHT ON AND HAS REMAINED POPULAR THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. ANY STEADY LISTENER CAN PICK UP THE KEY WORDS AND THE FORMULA, AND OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO WRITE SOAPS, HERSELF...



ALMOST EVERY DAY THE LADIES ARE "TAKEN OUT TO DINNER" BY MEN WHO REALIZE THEY ARE "UPSET" AND "DESPERATELY" WANT TO "DISCUSS THE SITUATION"!

Contract Bridge By B. Jay Becker

Handle With Care

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 7
♥ K J 7 4
♦ A 8 6 5 2
♣ A K 9

EAST
♠ 8 4 3
♥ 8 5
♦ K J 9
♣ 10 7 6 4 3

SOUTH
♠ A K 5
♥ A Q 10 8 6
♦ 10 7 4 3
♣ 2

The bidding:
North East South West
Pass 1♥ 1♠
Pass 6♥

Opening lead - queen of spades.

In many deals declarer cannot predict at the start how the play will eventually fare. This is especially true when the declarer does not know how the defenders' cards are divided. In some deals declarer must rely entirely on the cards. If the cards are favorably placed, he makes the contract; if they're not, he goes down. In some cases are not the kind you're very about, because there's something you can do about them. The hands that should bother you are those where you go down but could have made the contract even though the distribution was unfavorable.

These are the hands that test one's mettle and the ones most interesting to play.

Take this deal, where the outcome hinges on losing only one diamond trick. Obviously, if the suit is divided 3-2, your Aunt Tillie could make the slam by leading the ace and another diamond.

But since this method of play would fail with a 3-1 diamond division — which occurs about 50 percent of the time — the question that arises is whether anything can be done to overcome such a division. The answer is that declarer can indeed protect against most 3-1 divisions.

He wins the spade lead with the ace, plays the K-A of trumps, discards a diamond from dummy on the king of spades, ruffs a spade, cashes the A-K of clubs on which he discards a diamond from his hand and ruffs the nine of clubs.

He now plays a low diamond and ducks in dummy. In the actual case, West wins with the queen (East cannot afford to overtake) and must give overtake and declarer a crucial ruff and discard.

Note that this carefully arranged elimination play is equally effective if West's singleton is the king or jack, and that the slam can also be made if East has the singleton king, queen or jack.

Your Birthday

By STELLA WILDER

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27
 - Born today, you are forceful, yet tactful and diplomatic. You generally attain your ends with friendships intact, partnerships still viable, and any enemies filled, if grudgingly, with respect and admiration. You possess tremendous self-discipline, and tackle directly even those chores you detest, keeping your feelings about them from even those who know you best. You are level-headed, and fair. Those who are close to you marvel at how you can put selfish interests aside to serve justice. You do not envy the success of others. Even if you have been denied gains you deserve, you feel no jealousy of other people's benefits. You allow everyone his due, whether or not you get yours.

You have a quick temper, but you have learned to keep it under control. When you do allow it to explode, it is generally because it can gain you something. You enjoy the company of others, but also have a need for time alone. You make an effort to set time aside for yourself when you can consider problems and so on at your leisure.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Look at the darker side of a question pending at home. There may be a solution late today.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) - Use your forceful

nature for another's success. You may get what you ask for. Be on your toes.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) - If you are high-strung, you may watch others succeed in your stead. Take heart; your turn will come.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) - Moodiness and irritation. Children work early today to deprive you of success at evening.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - Physical satisfaction is important to intellectual success. Supply creature comforts well.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) - Success will cure an inferiority complex. Work with a partner today for your share of it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Study your ambition before being led into actions not right for you. Question reasons for choices.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - You can aid progress today if you keep aware of constant changes at home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Don't be dependent over nothing. It may be difficult to accept disappointment today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Use caution if traveling. Firm up personal relationships.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Serious consequences arise from inattentive use of new knowledge. Know what you are doing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Combine artistic and executive abilities to enhance both. Rearrange your time to prepare for the unexpected.

The Worry Clinic

By GEORGE W. CRANE, Ph.D.M.D.

Note Laura's miracle! She learned how to win popularity and became engaged to a brilliant college senior by the technique below. Girls, it's available to all of you!

CASE N-641: Laura L., now 19, was the coed mentioned Wednesday.

"Dr. Crane," she flashed a gorgeous smile as she sat down in my faculty office. "I thought I'd give you a progress report."

"You've probably forgotten my case but I was then debating suicide!"

"For I didn't have friends and was so shy, no boy had ever asked me for a date."

"Besides, I thought I looked ugly when I saw my face in the mirror, so I couldn't see any hope for happiness in the future."

"But you told me all friends and sweethearts must be purchased by realizing on everybody's chest is the tattoo, 'I WANT TO FEEL IMPORTANT.'"

"You insisted that I try your 'Compliment Club' experiment for one month but smile and pay 3 different people a daily bit of praise."

"Well, I confess I didn't believe all your advice at that time."

"But I felt I had nothing to lose, so I forged myself, despite my excessive shyness, to smile at a boy who sat next to me in my history class."

"His face brightened and he seemed pleased, so I was encouraged to compliment him on his score on his history exam."

"He blushed a little and modestly brushed off my praise by saying it was just luck."

"Well, by this time I was less self-conscious so I boldly told him I knew he was just being modest, for I had seen his high scores on previous exam papers."

"And after class was dismissed, we walked out of the building together and he actually asked me to have a soft drink."

"Dr. Crane, that was a red letter moment for me!"

"For no college classmate had EVER shown any interest in me previously."

"And I was overjoyed, for this first attempt at complimenting a classmate not only made him feel happy, but left me floating on a cloud all the rest of the day."

"So I decided to compliment 2 more classmates in order to reach your daily minimum of 3 different people."

"And they all were pleased, so I wondered if most of us weren't starving for a little evidence of appreciation from our companions."

"By the next session of the history class, I was looking forward with delight to meeting the boy I had complimented as my first experiment."

"As I approached my seat and smiled, he grinned and said, 'Hi, beautiful!'"

"Well, I blushed for no boy



had ever even told me I was pretty, not to mention beautiful, so I managed to reply the old bromide that 'Sir, flattery will get you nowhere!'"

"But that was really a fib, for I began to think he was the most wonderful man I had ever met!"

"Dr. Crane, this is my sophomore year and he is a senior, but we have dated steadily the past semester."

"We have a 'Mother's Day' celebration each year and he has invited me to have dinner with him and his parents!"

"And he has given me his fraternity pin, too!"

"So compliments really do produce love, as you have said many times in your column!"

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Minute Pulpit

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield and thy exceeding great reward. Genesis 15:1.

Abram found God's promise true. His promises to us are not broken. What has come to you which is better?

GRAFFITI

FREEWAYS NOW LET VACATIONERS GET LOST FASTER

THE LOCKHORNS



"I AM, TOO, A CREATIVE COOK! IT'S JUST THAT A STOVE IS NOT THE BEST VEHICLE FOR ME."

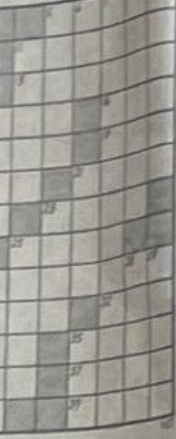
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9. "Confessions of - Turner"
10. Tar's greeting
11. Indian city
12. Glance at quickly
13. Luncheon
14. Late H'wood musical
15. Film sleuth
16. Beverage
17. Do over
18. Girl's name
19. Suffix for Israel
20. Pagoda ornament
21. Melodious
22. Star in Cetus
23. Mr. or Mrs. Sprat
24. Arab official
25. Hammerin' Hank

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2. Editor's inverted V
3. French river
4. Glorioso opera
5. Actress Sandra
6. Slabby
7. Scottish river
8. Eventually
9. Conductor Bernstein
10. Printing cuffs
11. Tale
12. Broadway light
13. Ward of comparison
14. Counter-liner
15. Sun rooms
16. Saturday Morning
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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: WE CAN ONLY POSSESS WEALTH ACCORDING TO OUR CAPACITY - JOHN RUSKIN

Yesterday's Answer

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Findlay Schools Face Massive Storm Repairs

By BOB STERNER
Staff Writer

City school officials hope they can air their storm-damaged buildings by time roads are clear enough to permit busing of students.

While administrators conceded that the one-lane streets throughout their bus routes would prohibit reopening schools at this time, they maintained that repairing storm damage before the roads are open would be a real battle.

Broken pipes in heating systems caused the most problems throughout the school system. In several buildings up to 30-inch drifts were formed when snow blew through air vents and broken windows.

Like many area residents, school officials learned Thursday that their natural gas and fuel oil heating systems were worthless without the electric power to control and circulate the warmth they

provide.

Problems were not discovered until power was restored and hot water began to circulate into frozen radiators. Broken water pipes spewed hot water in 10 areas of Findlay High School, the hardest hit building in the system.

"There's a 10-by-30-foot area at the high school where we will have to replace the floor tiles" that were loosened by hot water from broken pipes, said Harry Altman, director of maintenance, operation and transportation.

The Findlay High School gymnasium floor escaped water damage only because personnel in the building were able to mop up snow as fast as it melted. The snow entered the gymnasium through the air vents that line the western wall of the facility.

Snowdrifts up to 30 inches in height were found between the roof and the ceiling

tiles at Chamberlin Hill Elementary School. School officials discovered the drifts shortly after heat was restored to the building.

"I don't know how many men worked all day out at that building raking the snow out and taking it out of the building," Altman said. "We may have to start classes there with the tiles out of the ceiling."

Supt. C. Robert Baker felt the biggest problem facing the schools will be removing the snow from around buildings. "It is really packed in," he said. "Snow covers ice that's covered with snow. It will take bigger equipment than what we own."

Altman noted that drifts block fire doors at several schools and all parking areas and bus lanes must be cleared before school can resume. Hiring contractors with heavy equipment is difficult because the schools have a lower priority than

businesses and municipalities.

"We've been told by the contractors that it will be almost impossible to clear up all the buildings before Wednesday," Altman said. Baker added that the schools are vying with city, county, state and corporate officials for the use of snow removal equipment.

Contracting for the removal of snow from the blizzard has already cost "at least \$5,000," Altman said, saying it was the most Findlay City Schools have spent in contract snow removal during his 14 years with the system. "We've already spent \$10,000 for contract snow removal this year. In a normal year, we usually only have to contract about \$1,500-to-\$2,000 for snow removal."

How much the city schools' total storm damage bill will be is anybody's guess, officials claim. "Not counting the contracting for snow removal, it's going to run in

to a pretty high figure," Altman said. "There's hundreds of hours of overtime" put in by school workers.

Some of the damage might not be discovered until the next rain. "There were a few buildings where snowdrifts were as high as the buildings," Baker said. "It didn't take the youngsters long to realize that it made an excellent sliding area for skis and sleds in this flat countryside."

Asphalt roofs, such as those found on most school buildings, "become very brittle and can crack when you walk on them in this kind of weather," Altman said. "We won't know if the roofs have been damaged until the first rain."

A few changes are planned to make the schools better prepared for storms. Buying a portable arc welding unit will enable

school workers to thaw water pipes before they burst during the winter and repair metal playground equipment during the summer.

A four-wheel drive vehicle to replace the school's 14-year-old Jeep will also be recommended at the next meeting of the Findlay Board of Education. "We could save the cost of the vehicle by just being able to get around to check on the buildings during storms," Altman said. "We could outfit it with a snowblower during the winter, and find other uses for it in the summer."

Today, school officials will discuss when to make up eight days of cancelled classes. Until the schools are reopened, officials would like residents living near school buildings to report any unusual occurrences observed in the schools.

Village Residents Adapted To One Crisis After Another

By NANCY NEUBRECHT
Staff Writer

Last week's blizzard could have been fatal for many more rural Hancock County residents if they had not shown an amazing ability to deal with crisis situations.

Fireman in Jenera extinguished a house fire in less than an hour early Friday morning in spite of the high winds which still whipped through the town.

The fire occurred at about 2 a.m. Friday after the Samuel Holcomb family, Sandusky Street, lit a fire in their new fireplace. At that time, the electricity and the phone system in Jenera had failed.

The fireplace was not operating properly and caused the house to catch fire beneath main floor. The residence was less than a block from the fire house, but since the wind was blowing the smoke in

the other direction, the fire was not detected by the firemen.

As the room filled with smoke, family residents bumbled up and waded through the snow drifts to the fire station to report the blaze. Luckily a narrow lane had been cleared in the drifts the town's fire trucks were able to get there and extinguish the flames before the home was too badly damaged to provide shelter.

In Arlington, residents went without electricity 31 hours. In addition, the phone and water systems failed.

"People started calling and saying that their houses were so cold that they couldn't stand them any more so we brought them down to the fire hall," said Arlington Fire Chief Tom Kroske.

An emergency generator was set up at the fire station to heat the building and power the department's radio. By about

8:30 p.m. Thursday there were about 25 residents in the fire hall.

Then the wind shifted and the generator, which was powered by gasoline began to fill the building with carbon dioxide. "People started to get sick, so we had to evacuate them and take them to other residences," Kroske said.

Luckily the power was restored by 10 a.m. Friday and "after the power came on things started looking up," Kroske said.

Hanco Inc. volunteered to relay all the emergency telephone calls the Arlington Fire Department transmit over their radio. "Hanco was a real life saver for us at this end of the county."

However, Kroske commented that "we have to get a little bit more organized." He explained that in several cases efforts were duplicated by rescue squads and sometimes CBers supplied incorrect information to emergency crews.

In Mount Blanchard, some residents were without heat for 70 hours, according to Judy Opp, whose husband is a member of the village's fire department. She and others in the village helped the fire department contact all the older residents in the town the day the storm hit and move them to heated homes.

"We had ladies as old as their late 70's who were very willing to climb on snowmobiles for the first time in their lives," she said.

Even so, she said some residents grew so desperate they began burning their furniture for heat. At one point a helicopter from Columbus was called in to take a heart patient and another elderly woman to a hospital.

Despite all the emergencies, Mrs. Opp seemed cheerful Sunday night. "I think a lot of new friendships were found through all this," she said.

In Vanlue, Mayor Rodney Pelfrey and his wife, Christine, were among those who opened their homes to people who were without heat. They had 26 people staying in their home for two days.

"We had people walk to wall lying on the floor," Christine said, which was a "very hectic" experience. Originally the Pelfreys intended to house their guests at the town hall, but the trucks transporting them became mired in snow in front of their home Thursday.

Most of the refugees were from Findlay, Carey and Mount Blanchard. "They were coming home from third shift and trying to get home before the worst of it," she said. Village employees rode out to Ohio 15 and rescued them from their cars Thursday night.

Afterwards, Christine said, the storm made drifts in the town that nearly reached the roofs of the homes. The mayor made distress calls to the national guard Thursday but "all we heard about was how they were working in Findlay all the time and didn't seem like they were ever going to head over here," she said.

Not until 4:20 p.m. Saturday was electrical power fully restored to all customers in Vanlue. "I think they ought to worry about the people in the country before they worry about the people in Findlay," she said.

"If you don't have electricity in the city you can walk over to someone's house, but in the country you go to walk somewhere and get lost."

Power Outages Killed Phone Service In Area

By BOB STERNER
Staff Writer

Electric power outages, not broken lines, were responsible for the telephone service interruptions in Hancock and Wood counties during last week's blizzard.

Telephone systems require electricity to transmit calls along lines. The power is filtered through batteries to reduce the hum of alternating current, even when electricity is being provided to switching stations.

When power is cut off, telephone communications can continue by drawing the electricity stored in the batteries. Once the batteries have been drained, however, calls cannot be sent through telephone lines.

While larger municipalities, such as Findlay and Bowling Green were spared local telephone transmission problems because of emergency generators, smaller communities rely only on batteries when power is shut off.

"The batteries will usually last for eight-to-12 hours," said Bob Ryland, of General Telephone Co. Bowling Green office. "We just aren't prepared for these power outages that last a day or two."

Dead batteries eliminated service to General Telephone's customers in Arlington, McComb, Carey, Weston, Wayne and Bradner. Ingenuity of one of the company's telephone technicians was responsible for restoration of service in several communities.

"Our Wayne-Bradner exchange was off for about eight hours when we received a call from Jerry Elder in Bowling Green," Ryland said. "He modified the equipment so it could be powered by an arc welder. That discovery was relayed to the Pemberville office so we could prevent that equipment from going out." Company officials were advised by law enforcement agencies not to transport a welding unit to Arlington so service could be restored.

Even with service restored to all offices

in General Telephone's network, area residents are still experiencing difficulty in placing long distance calls. The problem lies in the toll system that relays the calls.

"Everyone's trying to call their friends and relatives in other communities," Ryland said. "They are overloading the toll circuits." He added that some relief has been provided by changes at the toll centers "in larger cities throughout the nation."

"At the switching centers such as in Toledo and Columbus, they have the capability of putting a different class mark into the toll switching network to help us get more long distance calls through," Ryland said. "They've added about 25 percent more capacity to the toll system in this area."

With telephone communications restored and toll services expanded, localized telephone service interruptions still are anticipated by both General Telephone and Ohio Bell Co. officials.

Many telephone lines have been buried, but they still must pass through a short metal pedestal on their way to homes. The pedestals, which are located along county roads, may be broken when road crews push back snowdrifts.

"We may have service knocked out to more customers by road crews than we had by the actual storm," Ryland said. A single pedestal may serve "anywhere from one customer to an entire village."

Broken service pedestals were viewed as less of a problem by Chuck Sweet, Findlay's Ohio Bell Co. customer service manager. "Occasionally, the road crews will knock one off," he said, "but we have locators that we use to find the pedestal and restore service." Ohio Bell services "one-to-four customers from one pedestal," Sweet said.

Even during the height of the storm, Sweet said that only 18 customers were without telephone service. By Monday evening, only 10 persons were without the utility.

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"At the switching centers such as in Toledo and Columbus, they have the capability of putting a different class mark into the toll switching network to help us get more long distance calls through," Ryland said. "They've added about 25 percent more capacity to the toll system in this area."

With telephone communications restored and toll services expanded, localized telephone service interruptions still are anticipated by both General Telephone and Ohio Bell Co. officials.

Many telephone lines have been buried, but they still must pass through a short metal pedestal on their way to homes. The pedestals, which are located along county roads, may be broken when road crews push back snowdrifts.

"We may have service knocked out to more customers by road crews than we had by the actual storm," Ryland said. A single pedestal may serve "anywhere from one customer to an entire village."

Broken service pedestals were viewed as less of a problem by Chuck Sweet, Findlay's Ohio Bell Co. customer service manager. "Occasionally, the road crews will knock one off," he said, "but we have locators that we use to find the pedestal and restore service." Ohio Bell services "one-to-four customers from one pedestal," Sweet said.

Even during the height of the storm, Sweet said that only 18 customers were without telephone service. By Monday evening, only 10 persons were without the utility.

Special Council Session Today

Five Findlay councilmen have called a special council session today, to consider a law that would allow the purchase of a front-end loader for the street department.

A similar law, first sought last December by Street Superintendent Rolla Zoll and the administration, was defeated by council Jan. 17.

Today's meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., preceding a council-of-the-whole session during which councilmen will decide how

the city should refinance a \$2 million loan taken out in 1973.

Calling the special session were Councilmen James Youngflesh, R-6; James Knott, D-At-Large; Edward Woodbury, R-At-Large; James Ziegler, R-1, and Michael Gallagher, R-At-Large. Woodbury originally proposed the meeting.

The law would allow Service-Safety Director Charles Lyon to "take competitive bids without legal advertising" and buy a four-wheel-drive "front-end loader with a bucket capacity of four cubic yards or more for the street department."

Zoll said Monday he would be glad to have the loader purchased, but said he wished council had approved the law Jan. 17 so the street department would have had the loader now to clear snow.

"It's a little late to lock the barn door after the horse is out," he said. Many snowdrifts from Thursday's blizzard are so high and packed that only loaders can move them, while snowplow trucks are helpless, he explained.

The five councilmen are seeking to have the law adopted tonight. If it was, Zoll said he didn't know how long it would be before the city actually received the loader.

The bill will receive the first of three required readings tonight. Seven of the nine councilmen would have to approve suspending council's rules and giving the law second and third readings.

Then six councilmen would have to vote for adopting the bill for it to become law. Normally, five votes are necessary for adoption, but the bill's "no advertising" clause requires an extra vote.

When the similar bill sought by Zoll came up for an adoption vote Jan. 17, it was defeated 5-4, although that vote would have allowed passage of a normal law. Dissenting were Councilmen Jack

Volkmer, D-5; William Templeton, D-2; Thomas Bushong, D-4 and William Weber, D-3.

Templeton, chairman of council's Finance Committee, said the law should not be approved until the committee had decided what money would be used to pay for it. He also said the purchase should be considered at the same time as all other proposed major equipment purchases for this year.

Former Councilman Emory Adams charged Monday that Templeton and other councilmen who voted down the first loader law were "not aware of reality."

At the last meeting of the 1976-77 council on Dec. 20, Adams tried unsuccessfully to hurry adoption of Zoll's proposed law.

Regarding the Jan. 17 vote, Adams said, "if those who voted against the law had a little foresight, we perhaps could have had that loader in the city during this present crisis." The councilmen "should have realized that for the city to cope with this type of situation, they have to have this type of equipment."

Templeton had said the loader should not be bought until the budget was decided for all capital improvement purchases this year.

Adams said Templeton's objections to the loader were "ridiculous. There's no way you can have an exact budget, when emergencies and crises come up. Mr. Templeton's theory of having a precise budget is a myth, in my opinion. We need to have strong-thinking people on council, who appreciate that we do have some money on hand to meet these crises."

Adams denounced the "juvenile thinking of the present people who voted against" the loader law, and stated that "Findlay should be set up with the proper equipment so the citizens and the services of Findlay don't have to suffer."

No Fines While Library Is Closed

The Findlay-Hancock County Library will re-open as soon as possible after emergency restrictions are lifted in Findlay, a library spokesman said Monday.

Mrs. Lida Kula, assistant director of the library, said the library would remain closed while the mayor's partial or full emergency declaration is imposed.

Those with overdue books need not worry about fines, since fines are assessed only on days when the library is open.

Wharton Church To Hold Special Lenten Series

WHARTON — The Wharton United Methodist Church in Wyandot County will host a special Lenten series on "The Religious Future." The series will be held on Sunday evenings, 7-8:30 p.m., Feb. 12 through March 12.

The series is designed to help people examine their religious lives in the light of the demands of our ever-changing urban society.

For more information call Rev. Charles Pinnell at 458-2322.

Shelter At 'Y' Reopens

Red Cross shelters housed 45 people Monday night, much to the surprise of volunteers who had thought they had closed the last remaining shelter about 11 a.m. Monday morning.

Red Cross Executive Director James Farrison closed the YMCA shelter, the last of three opened during the height of the blizzard, early Monday morning when it appeared that most motorists were back on the roads.

But when Findlay, Bowling Green, and North Baltimore hotels filled early Monday evening, Findlay Disaster Services Coordinator Eb John asked Farrison to re-open the YMCA center.

As of 11 p.m. 22 people were being housed at the YMCA and another 23 were seeking shelter at the Salvation Army.

Both Farrison and Capt. Hostetler said they still had enough supplies available to assist the motorists and at least 20 Findlay families staying at the Red Cross.

John said his disaster team would still be providing emergency food and medical services through Tuesday and possibly the rest of the week.

"There are still so many of these people with huge drifts in their driveways who just can't get out. They have needs and we have to meet them. We can't stop now."

Bread, Milk Moved Fast After Storm

Hancock County residents are eating more bread and drinking more milk than ever — at least if you talk to store owners and suppliers.

A check Monday on Findlay foodstores showed that most were low on again on milk and bread although suppliers have filled the shelves at regular intervals over the past two days.

Bread seems to be the hardest thing for food stores to keep stocked but a spokesperson for Nickels Bakery, Fremont, says they are operating at full steam and have kept their drivers on the road since late Saturday.

"We just can't get enough for everyone. There must be some hoarding because we're producing everything we can and we still can't get enough in. As soon as we get it there (to the stores) they're out again."

Robert Cam of San-A-Pure Dairy says his biggest problem right now is trying to get milk cartons for the available milk.

Cam said that his local whole milk suppliers have done a miraculous job. "I don't know how they got it in here but I guess faced with the option of dumping they found a way to get it here."

San-A-Pure drivers have stocked the Findlay area, and those stores served by out of town dairies unable to make deliveries because of the snow.

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HEART, HEARS Kept Supply Lines Open

Much of the toast, eggs and milk on the tables of Findlay residents this morning probably arrived there through the efforts of Disaster Service's food and medication base at 615 East Foulke Ave.

That is the home of Bob Weaver, whose amateur radio base occupies the converted garage behind the house.

Working through the Findlay Police Department, the base served as a dispatch center for food and medical needs in the city during the blizzard and its aftermath.

Weaver's phone number, 423-9788, was broadcast continuously over WFIN-WHMQ. This set-up enabled snowbound inhabitants of the city to call the base directly and place orders for essential supplies.

After orders were taken at Foulke Avenue, radio calls were made to the police department, where hundreds of volunteers had signed up to lend the services of their four-wheel-drive vehicles and snowmobiles. These vehicles then went to food or medical supply sources and then to the location of the needy and ill persons.

"The food and prescriptions were given to the people whether they had the money to pay or not," said Chris Moothart. She and her husband, Stan, were at the Foulke Avenue phone much of the time taking orders and requesting vehicles.

The North Side Fire Station, where another radio base was set up, served as a major food distribution throughout the weekend. Other radio-equipped bases at the Findlay YMCA and the Ohio State Patrol headquarters also served as vital links in the community-wide operation.

Many of the radio operators belong to HEARS, an organization established to create this type of emergency communications system.

But making house deliveries was only part of the operation. Disaster Services also did its best to find food sources outside the city and get supplies to Findlay stores.

For example, when Weaver located a supply of bread in Fremont early Sunday,

Earl Pruitt manned one of his moving company's trucks and began the all-day ordeal of getting there and back. When he finally arrived back in Findlay, the truckload of loaves was distributed either directly to needy individuals or to sold-out grocery stores.

The bread was sold to the stores for the same price for which it was purchased from the bakeries.

In addition, a supply of buns was located in Lima the same day, and Jim Siferd hauled it to Findlay.

Siferd and his wife, Nancy, operated a CB-radio base from their house at 224 Laquinoe St. They belong to the CB organization HEART, which played a role in dispatching vehicles where needed.

Runs similar to the Fremont and Lima trucks also were made throughout the weekend for supplies of eggs and milk.

According to Mrs. Moothart, getting hundreds of prescriptions and special baby formulas to snow-bound residents of the city was a major service co-ordinated through the Foulke Avenue base.

Off-duty nurses played a vital role, she said. They made house calls to a wide variety of persons, including diabetics needing injections, and to sick children and the elderly.

Weaver said Disaster Services received excellent co-operation from several grocery stores, pharmacies and San-A-Pure Dairy. These establishments opened their doors at odd hours so that rescue personnel could purchase food and drugs before making their four-wheeler runs.

The bills were credited to Disaster Services, which is funded through the city of Findlay.

Deliveries for other types of supplies also were routed through the Foulke Avenue base.

For example, on Friday, gasoline had to be transported to Highland Estates. It was used to power the chain saws which cut wood to burn in the trailer park's community center where residents without power were staying, Mrs. Moothart said.

"There were so many helpful people I can't even begin to give you all their names," Weaver said of the operation.

Marathon Equals 1976 Income Record In 1977

Marathon Oil Co. reported that preliminary net income for 1977 reached \$196,959,000 or \$6.54 per share. The total is essentially level with 1976 record earning of \$195,808,000 or \$6.52.

The company's income from operations in the United States totaled \$182,357,000 compared with \$185,202,000 in 1976. Operations outside the United States netted \$14,602,000 as compared with \$10,606,000 a year ago.

The 1977 earnings were limited by increased operating costs and interest expense which was almost double that of a year ago, the company said. Profits in the United States include an investment tax credit of \$13.9 million or 46 cents per share. In 1976, the company recorded an investment tax credit of \$46.6 million or \$1.55 per share.

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Marathon's capital expenditures in 1977 amounted to approximately \$480 million. Worldwide exploration costs, exclusive of lease amortization, held steady at \$76 million. Expenditures in the United States and Canada rose \$11 million.

In 1977, the company's net income was equivalent to 4.25 cents per dollar of sales and the rate of return on total invested capital was 10.8 per cent.

Net income in the fourth quarter of 1977 amounted to \$57,092,000 or \$1.89 per share, compared with \$59,158,000 or \$1.97 for the last three months of 1976. Results for the 1977 quarter include approximately \$4 million in currency gains, also reflecting the impact of the full year. Net income for the fourth quarter and the year was increased approximately \$7 million or 23 cents per share, due to an adjustment in the income tax liabilities attributable to years prior to 1977.

Total revenues for 1977 were \$4,656,940,000, compared with \$3,856,216,000 a year earlier. Fourth quarter revenues were \$1,279,176,000, compared with \$1,121,789,000. Revenues include excise tax.

Two Findlay Natives New State Troopers

COLUMBUS — Two Findlay natives were among the 101st Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy Class graduated recently.

Michael L. Weber and Neal R. Wisner, both of Findlay, were assigned to the Swanton patrol post as troopers.

The assignments went into effect Jan. 17.

The graduates completed 12 weeks of law enforcement training to become commissioned troopers.

Mail Delivery Resumes Today

The Findlay Post Office will resume mail delivery today to all places accessible to mailmen. Postmaster Eugene Guzicki announced.

"We will deliver wherever the sidewalks are cleared," Guzicki said, explaining that his men will not climb snowdrifts to deliver mail.

A city or rural resident whose mailbox is not accessible to mailmen can still receive mail by placing a bucket or similar container, which displays the home's address, in a place where a mailman can get to it, Guzicki stated.

Rural delivery will be made possible by persons who have volunteered their four-wheel-drive vehicles.

Guzicki asked area residents not to call the post office with inquiries about mail delivery. "We've been getting so many phone calls, we spend more time answering calls than we do working — it's taking too much time," he said.

Local postal workers made special deliveries Monday, gathered mail from collection boxes around the city, and cleared snow from those boxes. No out-of-town mail was delivered to the office until Monday afternoon, the first time since last Wednesday.

"We didn't have enough mail to deliver to make it worthwhile going out Monday," Guzicki said.

Historical Museum Meeting Postponed

The annual meeting of the Hancock Historical Museum Association, scheduled Wednesday evening, has been postponed, according to Edwin L. Heminger, president.



Good Morning! Cold
Snow Ending
High near 20
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Army Helping Clear Roads

By KATHY FRANKART
Staff Writer

The Army has had 27 soldiers working around the clock in Hancock County since midnight Monday to clear roads closed since Thursday's blizzard.

Hancock County Commissioner Bob Morrison said with the additional help, all rural highways will be open to at least some use by this evening.

The troops, members of the U.S. Army Cold Airborne Division from Fort Bragg, N.C., arrived in Findlay Monday afternoon, a day later than originally scheduled. A list of 60 soldiers arrived in Toledo Sunday. However, the 27 men heading for Hancock County only made it as far as Findlayville last evening, where they set up in ready order to leave.

Army equipment used to clear roads include four bucket loaders, a light bulldozer and two graders, according to commanding officer, Lt. Herman Lora.

Mechanics and general personnel will be working three eight-hour shifts until all county roads are opened to general traffic.

The work began in three areas at 10:30 p.m.

County Road 128 north to Ohio 417.

County Road 203 from the West County line to County Road 121, said

County Road 121 from County Road 203 to County Road 5.

Morrison said these roads areas represented the critical areas.

All other locations will be cleared in priority basis, but Morrison said "faster"

Phone Number For Emergency Only: 422-2424

Three Hancock County residents needing emergency assistance are instructed to contact the sheriff's department at 422-2424.

County Engineer Bob Morrison said Monday evening his department will not accept emergency calls, except as dispatched by the sheriff's department.

In addition, Morrison asks residents not to call the engineer's office to report a closed road or ask when their road will be open for travel.

"Don't call to say, 'It's not plowed yet,'" Morrison said. "There's all that."

Morrison said he hopes to see all county roads open to at least one lane traffic by this evening, with the aid of Army troops that arrived Monday.

Morrison said emergency calls be handled through a police authority to avoid "a lot of poor calls." In addition, he said that those reporting "major" emergencies may be prosecuted for falsifying a police report, a felony charge.



ROBERT GEPHART, 151 W. FOULKE, LETS THE SNOW FLY
Gephart is shown here helping a neighbor on Davis Street

roads into the county's villages will be high on the list, since state commissions will remain open to help the road.

Details of the Army's operations, as well as the latest information about county and state highway conditions, were released in a Monday night briefing session at Morrison's presser's office.

As of this briefing, 25-30 percent of the county road network had been opened to at least one lane of traffic. About one-half of the remaining system had yet to be cleared.

Morrison said there are now 15-20 pieces of Army equipment working within Hancock County, including state, county, township and city operations.

Mark Moorhead of the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) reported that

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All state highways in the county were closed, but most remained ice-covered and hazardous.

First Lt. David Thrope of the Ohio National Guard 1-19th Infantry, said his 20 men will remain working as long as Army personnel are in the area, 2000 at the county's disposal. He was dispatcher for national emergency and operations.

Thrope said that tomorrow his unit will be available for about three days. An additional helicopter may be assigned if needed, he added.

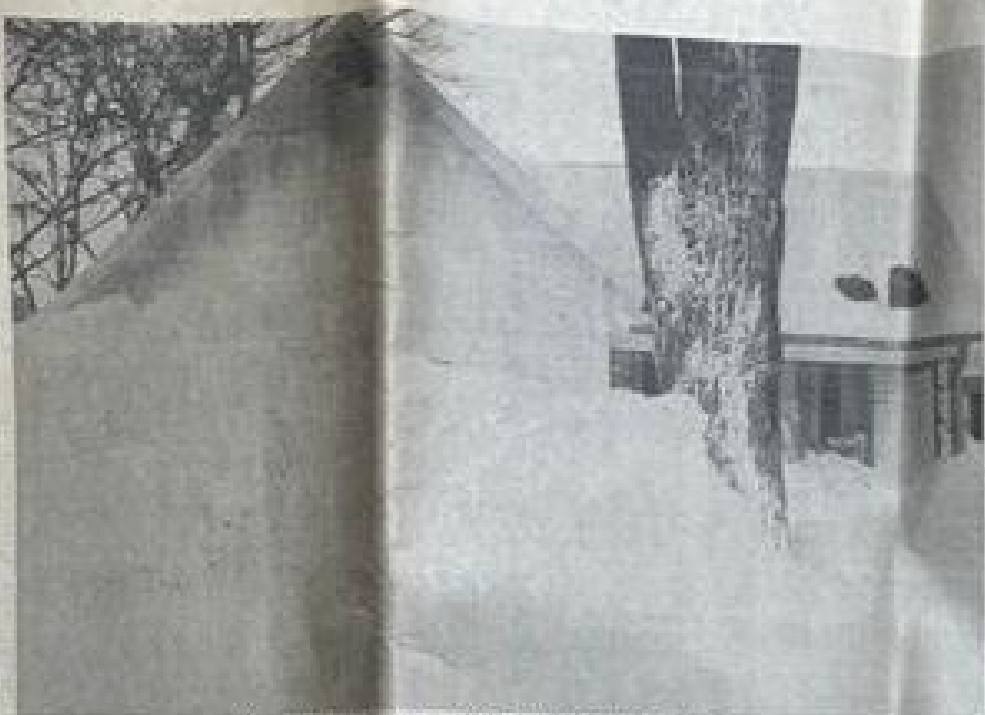
In addition, the Army Medical Ambulance Service from TFM, has a second heavy-duty ambulance and two more trained attendants. These four attendants will be serving Army-related emergencies.

Also, an Army spokesman said his units will be able to respond in emergencies where civilian ambulances may not be able to navigate. They will transport evacuated emergency victims to the city limits, where Hancock Ambulance will pick up the patients and take them to Blanchard Valley Hospital.

Morrison said roads were also slow to being opened because of widespread power outages. He said crews of the county's equipment were working in efforts to restore power long before they could begin road-clearing operations.

At the blizzard scene, Morrison announced that the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FEMA) will provide Ohio local governments with reimbursement of up to \$500,000 for the private contractor cost involved in the removal efforts. In a letter from Gen. James A. Rhodes, the FEMA said that the cost must have been incurred between Jan. 27 and midnight Jan. 31 in order for the county, township and city government agencies to be eligible for reimbursement.

While in Findlay, Army troops will be housed and fed in Myers Hall on the campus of Findlay College.



MOUNT BLANCHARD HOME IS DWARFED BY DRIFT
It will take awhile to clear the snow from around home.

Declaration Less Restrictive 'Snow Emergency' Today

By JIM HARROLD
Staff Writer

As road crews opened more Findlay streets Monday, Mayor Donald S. Latta lifted the city's state of emergency to a "less restrictive" one today.

The mayor said the less restrictive declaration would go into effect today, Monday, and will be in effect until the city is back to normal.

"If we have a big snow we may have to go back to a complete emergency," Harrold said.

The reduced declaration would allow all stores and businesses to open today for the first time since last Thursday's blizzard. Parking would be permitted in all major thoroughfares.

In other developments in the city, Scripps-Sellers' Corridor Charles Lynn estimated 25 percent of city streets were open to at least one lane late Monday, and street signs were being replaced.

The process of opening many streets in two lanes may not be completed until Friday or later.

Lynn said city residents will not be forced to clear their sidewalks at snowfall. He encouraged citizens to shovel sidewalks when possible. Normally, city law requires property owners to remove snow and ice from their sidewalks within 12 hours after the snow falls.

Latta predicted Findlay will spend

around \$100,000 to pay local contractors and other fees for snow removal work. Latta said he will pay to employees of the street, water and fire departments will further increase the city's bill for the storm.

County Engineer James Taylor, R.E., said it is possible to be paid while snow-removal work continues. City officials received many complaints Monday from citizens who wanted their streets cleared immediately.

He asked citizens to get their cars off city streets if possible, because parked cars obstructing snow-clearing work.

Latta said he will meet tonight to consider a law that would allow Lynn to buy a bulldozer for the city. Harrold said he had a general state of emergency declared last Thursday's blizzard. That would allow only food and drug stores to be open. Vehicles were prohibited from the streets except they were

the owners of such cars to move them as soon as possible.

Evening street-out lights and ballcourts, plus snow-removal equipment were Monday. Of that equipment, six snowplows and one loader are the city's, while the rest have either been loaned by the city or donated by local residents.

He explained that the city's first priority was to "open every street as soon as we can for the protection of the residents' lives."

Now the road crews are moving back to these areas and starting work on the residential areas with plows. There is no place to push the snow.

In their operations, there is a lot to be learned from a blizzard. Latta said he will be in the quarry. That process will take a long time, Latta said.

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Blizzard Breaks Records

By The Associated Press

Wind from the blizzard which crippled Ohio last week ruptured hurricane levels at times and set records throughout the state, a National Weather Service official in Cleveland said Monday.

Peak gusts of the storm reached 120 mph at Lake Erie Thursday morning, while wind speeds over land were well above 80 mph at several Ohio points, according to Morris Miller, meteorologist in charge at the Cleveland bureau who compiled the figures.

Miller said the weather service defines a hurricane as a storm which moves over water with winds of 75 mph or greater lasting for a minute or more. The gusts of last week's storm surpassed hurricane force at times, but for periods less than a minute.

"A storm such as this is likely to enter only once in a century, although it's possible such conditions could repeat themselves sometime within the next 50 years," Miller said.

The high winds caused a corresponding drop in barometric pressure to record low figures throughout the state. The lowest official figure reported was 29.28 inches at Cleveland at 4:50 a.m. Thursday, though Miller said he received an unofficial report of a reading of 29.23 inches in the Cleveland area.

However, during the storm, blizzard a drop of 0.2 inches in barometric pressure is as little as a 1/2 inch in several reporting locations.

"Many storms this winter have had more snow, but the wind speeds and drifting made this one more dangerous than the others," Miller said.

Temperatures which fell from the mid-40s to single-digit figures in an hour at three hours added to the discomfort, Miller said.

The heavy rain which fell across much of the state last Wednesday packed down the snow remaining from the major storm of the previous weekend. The snow eventually ran onto highways and was quickly blown by the rapid temperature drop to create a coating of ice, he explained.

Miller noted this winter has been one of the windiest in memory, with five major snowstorms, all accompanied by a considerable amount of wind.

"One that the blizzard is very, there is a severe danger of flooding," Miller said.

"The snow on the ground, when melted, would equal about 2 or 3 inches of rain. Since the ground is already saturated, this could go into streams, and if there's a rain storm, this could result in the worst flooding in the state since 1912," he predicted.

Though the wind speeds recorded during the storm broke records in Ohio, they did not come close to the 120 mph recorded April 21, 1934, at Mount Washington, New Hampshire. Miller said he had an increase concerning barometric pressure in the U.S., but said the figure recorded during the storm broke a previous low mark of 29.28 inches set in Cleveland March 4, 1947.

Coal Supplies Dwindling

By MARTIN MERIER
AP Business Writer

Coal inventories at utilities in many eastern and midwestern states are at dangerously low levels and mandatory power curtailments, might be unavoidable, federal and state officials said Monday.

"A lot of measures are being taken to guard the coal supplies as far as possible but there is only so far they can be stretched," said Alex Gakner, a coal expert for the U.S. Department of Energy. "A lot of people are beginning to get quite nervous."

The United Mine Workers strike is only six days short of the union's 50-day, record-length strike of 1946. The walkout, combined with cold weather and record temperatures has reduced fuel inventories at utilities serving millions of people in areas dependent on coal from Eastern states.

Talks between the union and the nationwide Coal Operators Association broke down Monday after the association reportedly agreed to hike wages and benefits by 30 percent over the \$1.21 to

\$1.48 an hour miners have been fighting on their work. Sources said the union offered a counterproposal in which operators did not respond.

The utilities hardest hit by the strike appeared to be in Ohio, where Pennsylvania and West Virginia, as utilities serving customers in parts of Ohio, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia also reported critically low stocks of coal.

Gakner said utilities in the West are getting coal from nearby domestic mines and utilities in the Northeast are using large amounts of more expensive oil to offset coal.

When the strike began, some utilities reported coal stockpiles that will last 100 days or more under normal conditions. But the severe weather cut off the coal reserves, officials said.

Gakner also pointed out that demand for coal is being used by many utilities to get ready.

"They're getting deeper and deeper into stockpiles where dirt and slush have been gathering for years and years," he said.

"That coal is very poor for producing electricity."

In Ohio, where nearly 90 percent of the state's electric power comes from coal-fired generators, Gov. James Rhodes said some utilities had less than a 30-day supply of coal.

"Unless there is a quick settlement of the national coal strike, Ohio and other states which use large amounts of coal for the generation of electricity could be facing a disaster," he said.

Rhodes asked President Carter to assume the role of chief negotiator between the striking coal miners and the industry, and others have suggested using the Taft-Hartley Act to seek a court injunction that would substitute an 80-day cooling-off period.

At a news conference Monday, however, the president said, "I have no present intention of all in interstate or interstate activity under the Taft-Hartley Act."

But he did call on Americans living in the hardest-hit areas to conserve electricity, and he said he had discussed the situation earlier Monday with his Cabinet.

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weather conditions for the 24-hour period ending midnight Monday: high 9, low 2, midnight 4, speed and direction of winds, 4-14 mph west, atmosphere clear, trace of snow.

My Biggest Thrill

"That was a bigger thrill than the night I scored 33 points in Madison Square Garden against Duquesne." Julius Kallogg said of the seemingly simple task of moving his numb. And it was, for the man who found himself a quadriplegic — all four limbs numb — after surviving an auto accident in 1954. Story B1.

Schools In Trouble
City school officials hope they can repair their storm-damaged buildings by the time roads are clear enough to permit the busing of students. It will be a major task. Story A3.

