PEFF

Added note, 2/4/80: This morning I could not pay my rent and we did not have enough money to buy a loaf of bread. In the papers I read Jabar of the Lakers gets a million dollars this year for basketball. You know what? I ar going to kick the LIVING SHITS OUT OF THIS WORLD re the material below! Maybe, just maybe, someone will learn some values! Owens.

Feb. 1, 1980

Jeffrey Mishlove
D. Scott Rogo
Dr. Henry Monteith

Heretofore I have only used my powers to control a city, a State, or a country.

If you will recall, it was I who stated that I had discovered years ago that not only were time and distance irrelevant in ...but also...was MASS.

In my personal work, I have utilized this principle, plus the fact that my "operator attitude" is perhaps superior to that of any practicioner of parapsych in the world. The combination is necessary.

While I am at it...I might as well state that my work, and my findings...are far, far superior to that of all the other parapsychologists in the world lumped together, including Dr. Rhine and his crew.* If you can't believe that, study the documentation on me for a while.

Now for the purpose of this communication.

A book...maybe, perhaps, if, etc., could be published about my work... a year from now. A long year. But...the SIs and I haven't a year to delay...to lag. (While I stumble along, broke, just barely making it day to day, week to week...while basketball and football stars make hundreds of thousands.)

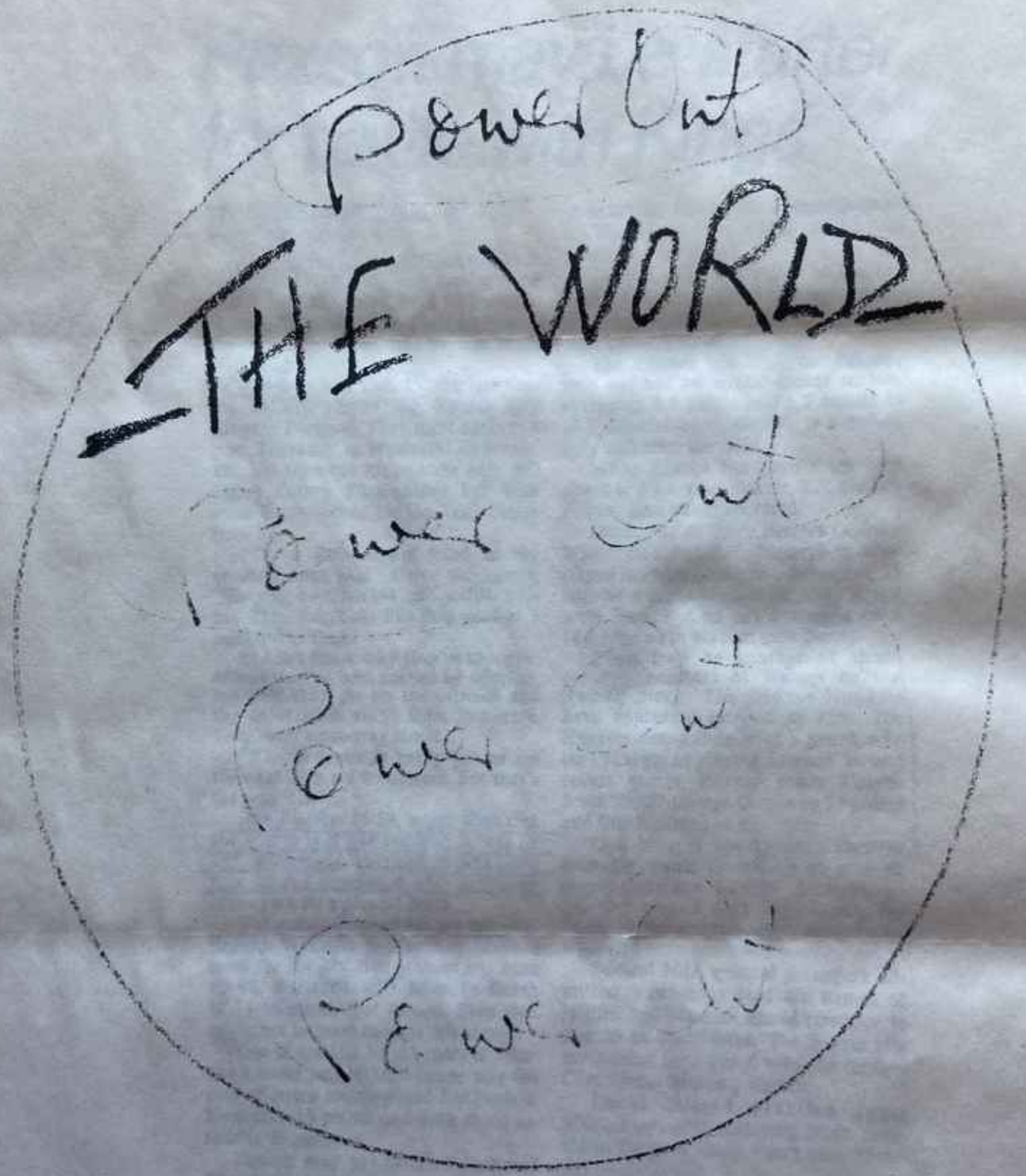
Therefore, I am entering into a new high level of activity. A new plateau. And for once, my SIs, the UFOs, will not help me. I am calling in my alternate (but in no way inferior) power... Hyrore, the Egyptian Power, with which I am linked, like a brother. Together, we will strike out at all power sources ALL OVER THE WORLD. Electric, you name it...we will work to neutralize it. To hell with a time limit...I am not working with scientists, so what do I care about a time limit.

All over the world...power out...all kinds of power...starting with electricity. That is what we will now be working on.

If anything happens to me (government agencies and dirty tricks; murder and assassination) then not only will the United States be destroyed, but the entire white race will be destroyed. The UFOs have to have human choice on that...and I have given them my will and permission. So...I had better stay healthy.

Ted Owens (The Man)
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* The comparison is a joke



rash of attacks by pit bulls in recent weeks has given South Floridians the jitters. Yet a German shepherd is far more likely to inflict injury. What sets off ferocious, or even docile, dogs? How dangerous is your dog?

Feb 3, 1980 Miami Herald

By JIM HARDIE
Herald Staff Writer

Teeth are bared, hair along the back and around the neck stands up, there is a primeval growl . . . you are about to be bitten by an attacking dog.

It is a terrifying situation faced an average of 16 times a day in Dade County, 10 times in Broward and four times daily in Palm Beach County. In each instance, the dog *does* bite.

"Any dog will bite, given the right circumstances," said Ralph Greenwood of Salt Lake City, president of the American Dog Breeders Association, a kennel operator for 30 years.

"One of the meanest dogs I have ever had in my kennel was an Old English sheep dog," Greenwood said. "I had a golden lab retriever once which would bite you the first chance it had. Of course, in both these cases, the biting was out of character for the breed of dog, but it shows that any dog can and will bite."

WHAT ABOUT pit bulls?

"As a breed of dog, it is out of character for it to bite people," he said. "It can be trained to bite, or by abusing the dog, you can make it mean to people. It is certainly within the character of the pit bull to go after small animals, cats, and it will bite other dogs. But it is not normal for it

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to be going around biting people like a German shepherd."

In early December, a pit bull mauled a 6-year-old boy in Hollywood as he played in a neighbor's yard. Six weeks later, two pit bulls attacked a 71-year-old woman at her Dade home. On Jan. 26, a man's thumb was bitten off by a pit bull as he attempted to separate that dog and a dachshund that had attacked it. That same day, a 6-year-old girl in Davie was bitten on the cheek and right leg by a pit bull.

The term *pit bull* is used as a catch-all for several similar breeds of dogs, including the bull terrier, the Staffordshire terrier, American Staffordshire terrier and the American pit bull terrier. The United Kennel Club (UKC) registers the American pit bull terrier as an official breed; the American Kennel Club (AKC) does not. The AKC will, however, register an American Staffordshire Terrier, which may also be registered by the UKC as an American Pit Bull.

The various breeds have similar appearances; stocky legs, a powerful chest and jaws. Spot in the *Our Gang* comedies, was a pit bull as was the RCA records' mascot, listening for his master's voice.

Coral Gables veterinarian Dr. C.R.J. Mladinich said, "I can't recall one that would even bite. They are unusual pets in a lot of ways. I've never seen a breed of dog that can climb as well as they can . . . and also the ones that I've see have been very intelligent. They do have strong jaws. I had one that almost bit his way through a 1¾-inch door."

Coconut Grove veterinarian Michael Marmesh, who specializes in treating large animals, says, "My personal opinion [is] if you want to pick on a dog, pick on a shepherd. I've have over 300 bites by shepherds."

Yet, other dogs go berserk, too: William Crews, 2, was killed by an Alaskan malamute Jan. 5 in Greensboro, N.C., and on Aug. 5 last year, a Siberian husky killed 4-year-old Jose Alvarez in Lakewood, N.J., and 11-year-old Anthony Cottone of New York City was scalped by a St. Bernard.

Phil Hoelcher at Landmark Kennel showed a black cocker spaniel in one of his pens. "That dog will bite you the first opportunity it gets," he said. "Like a bad person; this particular spaniel is a bad dog; it is a biter. That is not a characteristic of spaniels. It just so happens, this is a bad dog."

BUT IT IS true that South Florida has been having more than its share of dog bites.

"For reasons unknown to us, the Greater Miami area is experiencing a virtual epidemic of dog bites compared to the rest of the country," said Jack Recht of Chicago, a statistics expert with the National Safety Council.

Here is what is happening:

- Dog bites at the rate of close to 6,000 a year are being reported to health authorities in Dade County, 3,620 a year in Broward and 1,630 a year in Palm Beach County.
- Dog bites are exceeded only by gonorrhea among the most reported diseases and injuries in the U.S., according to the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta.
- Dog bite is a serious national problem with 1.5 million persons bitten in '79 at a cost of $50 million for medical treatment, according to the National Safety Council in Chicago.

"THE PROBLEM is so serious and is accelerating to the point that we have started a campaign called 'You Can Bite Back,' " said Gary Emich, safety manager for the Post Ofice in Miami. "Last year an average of 1 out of 10 of the 1,300 mail carriers in Dade County was bitten by a dog, and 15 of them had disabling bites which meant they missed one or more days of work."

Carriers are asked to report any problems with dogs on their routes. "We send the dog owners a letter and asked them to keep the animals confined during the hours of normal mail delivery," Emich said. "If that doesn't work, we make a phone call. We follow up with a personal visit to try and get the person to cooperate with us."

As a last resort, home mail delivery is stopped. "We do everything we can to avoid this," he said.

IF A DOG seems about to bite, "Don't run," said Dr. B.S. Austin of South Miami, who has been treating dogs 30 years. "That is the worse thing you can do. In the first place, you are not going to out-run the dog, and your fleeing will only tend to make it come on stronger."

Dave Houchins at Landmark Kennel in South Dade has been training dogs for owners in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties for 10 years. He specializes in obedience training. He has been bitten a number of times and has scars to prove it. He offers these suggestions as the best defense:

- Face the attacking dog and stand your ground. Do not run. Keep the dog in view without direct eye contact — an aggressive signal that could aggravate the dog.
- Use a commanding voice to try and bluff the dog. This shouting, dominating voice often works for the police in dealing with law breakers, and it will turn many dogs from an attack. Use caution, however, because a hesitating dog might be aggravated by yelling.
- Get something between you and the dog.
- Stay on your feet, and keep facing the dog. It will prolong the attack if the dog gets you down and gets behind you.

"A youngster on a bicycle, could stop and keep the bike between him and the dog," Houchins said. Or, a child could hold a school book in front of him; a woman could hold her pocketbook with both hands and keep it between her and a dog; a man could use his belt or his rolled up shirt.

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Behind the Badge, Cops Left in Limbo

Miami Herald Feb 3, 1980

It has been a wild and brutal affair. Each revelation seems somehow more unreal than the one before. Still, after six weeks, this community is not free of it. And we won't be.

The fatal police beating of Arthur McDuffie is a case without precedent in my 25 years as a newspaperman.

In the aftermath, much of this community is left with a corrosive mistrust between police and the public they're sworn to protect. As one county officer puts it: "It's going to take a long time to regain our credibility."

He speaks the truth.

Most ordinary citizens don't see cops as individuals. They see a community tragedy of this magnitude to force the issue?

THE COP is anonymous, part of a mass, an authoritarian figure in uniform, a glistening of the badge and shiny belt and holstered pistol. I'm sure most people think of reporters as part of a mass, too; but reporters aren't as



CHARLES WHITED

visible, and certainly nbt authoritarian.

Our reaction is toward police as a group. This is but one of the multiple tragedies spawned out of the McDuffie case. It is also unfair — as unfair as the mindless, berserk, fatal bludgeoning of McDuffie himself was unfair.

And yet policemen and policewomen are individuals. They think and feel the same as you and I. Taken as a whole, cops also tend to be individuals of very high caliber.

A university psychologist from Tampa, involved in a continuing project to devise new tests for screening rookie cops, told me the other day: "The thing that impresses us about these young men and women is that so many of them are really outstanding individuals."

AT PRESENT, of course, the thrust of the McDuffie case is investigation, fact-finding, accusation and criminal procedure. Next will come trial.

At the same time, Dade County's new sheriff has been riding herd on his department, ostensibly mandating the kind of behavior that now will be expected of his troops. It is patently a response to public outcry.

Many people, especially black people, are dubious. The point is: Why did it take so long? And why did it take a community tragedy of this magnitude to force the issue?

It's no secret that policemen subjected to prolonged exposure to such rough duty can turn sour, develop an inner rage, suffer a phenomenon called "burn-out," which is not unlike combat fatigue. One's rage can flare, overwhelming his own judgement.

And who is to blame for this?

BEYOND McDUFFIE, there are deep and nagging questions. Beyond McDuffie, there are countless private tragedies.

Alex Marrero, 25, was jailed without bond on a charge of second-degree murder. He was a cop, one of four cops accused of actually beating McDuffie. In a frenzy.

Louise Perkins read about Alex Marrero in the papers. She read it with shock and disbelief. She sees Marrero with different eyes. Louise Perkins is a kindergarten teacher. One of her pupils is Alex Marrero Jr., age 3.

"I see Alex Marrero Sr. as a loving father," she told me. "When I put that little boy down for his nap, he always says, 'I want my daddy. I want my daddy.' We rub his back and tell him, 'Your daddy will be coming soon.' "

Louise Perkins, like me, is no expert. She has no answers. She does not condone what happened on Dec. But she feels more needs to be known about what s inside men like Alex Marrero.

orried Saturday about a little boy, age

Feb. 3, 1980
Miami Herald

As Troubles Plague Police, Crime Grows

By ANDY ROSENBLATT

Dade County residents were raped, robbed, assaulted and murdered in record numbers last year while the Metro Public Safety Department's ability to solve major crimes lagged.

That's the gloomy picture that emerges from an analysis of crime statistics compiled by the Public Safety Department.

The figures suggest that the department's ability to fight street crime has been adversely affected by a long series of problems and scandals that has plagued Metro police throughout the year beginning with the beating of Nathaniel LaFleur.

METRO'S statistics show that:

- Major crimes in unincorporated Dade County were up more than 25 per cent in 1979.
- The over-all number of arrests made by Metro officers was down 23.6 per cent.
- The department was able to solve one of every four major crimes in 1979. Metro was able to solve one-third of all major crimes committed in 1978.

Police officials say several factors are responsible for the drop in arrests in the face of rising crime. They cite a hiring freeze, the growing demand for police services and new patterns of crime.

But the officials believe the most important reason for the drop in arrests is low morale and lack of community support, the result of several widely publicized police beatings, scandals and departmental shakeups.

"ALL THE NEWS events of the last year have had an effect," said Robert Dempsey, assistant Public Safety Department director. "From the point of view of the officer on the street, the world is falling apart. In the face of everything that's happened in the past year, it's remarkable that we've been able to maintain a level of dedication and service."

The most significant drop in arrests occurred in March and April following the LaFleur incident of Feb. 14, which focused community attention on the issue of police brutality. LaFleur, a Liberty City resident, was beaten by several Metro policemen who mistakenly raided his house.

The police said LaFleur closed his door on an officer's hand and had to be subdued as he wrestled with detectives.

ARRESTS INCREASED slightly in May and June before a steady decline began in July, about the time the department's budget was being reduced, a tax cut proposal was finally put on the ballot and a new sheriff, Bobby L. Jones, reorganized the department in an effort to get more officers on the street.

The decline continued through the second half of 1979 in sharp contrast to the growing number of arrests made by the Miami Police Department.

Metro made 9,000 fewer arrests in 1979,

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dropping from 40,834 arrests in 1978 to 31,193, a 23.6 per cent decease. Traffic arrests were down 36 per cent, misdemeanor arrests were down 27 per cent and felony arrests were down 10 per cent.

Arrests involving major crimes were up 8 per cent, but did not keep pace with the 25 per cent rise in major crimes.

Major crime arrests by the Miami Police Department were up 26 per cent in 1979. The total number of arrests by Miami officers was up 32 per cent.

Metro officials said the increasing number of routine requests for police assistance and the elimination of a requirement that each officer file a daily performance report listing arrests also contributed to the decline. County Manager Merrett Stierheim recently recommended the hiring of 150 additional police oficers.

"WE'RE TRYING to emphasize quality arrests, not quantity," Dempsey said.

But despite the emphasis on major crimes, the percentage of homicides, assaults, robberies and burglaries solved was also down. Only the percentage of rapes solved increased.

Metro reports show that the Public Safety Department solved 27 per cent of the major crimes it investigated in 1979, down from 32 per cent the previous year.

Homicide investigations were particularly affected. Metro solved just over half the homicide cases it handled in 1979. In 1978, it solved seven out of every 10.

Capt. Marshall Frank, head of the Metro homicide unit, blamed the decline on a rash of drug-related murders.

"A DRUG-RELATED homicide requires a lot of manpower," Frank said, "and the chances of solving it are low. They take a lot of time away from our other cases."

Chief Charles C. Black, head of the Metro police division, and Sgt. Hugh Peebles, president of the Dade County Police Benevolent Association, said the decline in traffic and misdemeanor arrests was particularly noticable and indicates that the morale of Metro policemen has been seriously shaken.

"We're seeing fewer arrests that are initiated by our officers," Black said. "That affects traffic and misdemeanor arrests the most. People on the road will avoid those kind of cases because they know they're going to have trouble and they feel it's just not worth it.

"If you get burned by the stove, you're not going to play with the stove again," Black said.

Statistics that would indicate what, if any, effect the beating death of motorcylist Arthur McDuffie has had on arrests are not yet available.

Peebles and Black predicted the McDuffie incident would lead to a further decline in arrests.

"The McDuffie incident will have an impact at least initially," Peebles said. "But I think in the long haul the police officers in this community will come back."

Note. Seeming odd effect of any/all force attacks on Florida, as noted in other discriminations, on business, economy, tourism, etc.

Queens Feb. 16 op-ed

WHAT CAN YOU do if a member of your family is being attacked?

"The best thing you can use to get a dog away from someone, and keep it away from you, is a chair," Houchins said. "Use the chair just like a lion tamer does. Hold the back of the chair in your hands and use the legs of the chair to get the dog away from the person."

A common house broom is another effective tool in dealing with a biting dog, or in aiding someone who is being bitten.

He cautions that a dog in pain, such as one which has been struck by an automobile, will act unnaturally and will even sometimes turn on its master.

EMICH says the Post Office has studied the problem of dog bite and has pin-pointed what they consider the root cause; it is irresponsible owners.

"The biggest single factor is, owners simply do not believe their dog will bite," he said. "They open the door or the fence gate, out runs the dog and boom . . . you have a dog bite, then and there."

There are no accurate figures on the number of dogs in Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties. Estimates are based on the average of one dog per four persons, which works out to 375,000 dogs in Dade, 250,000 in Broward and 145,500 in Palm Beach County. An attempt to count the dogs in Dade in 1977 under a CETA grant turned into such a fiasco that it was abandoned, mainly because the public would not cooperate.

Meanwhile, the dog bites go on at the rate of 30 a day along the Gold Coast.

Note. This two pages deal with charges against (the human) not the dog. Owner is sued.

Doberman Leaped, Broke Her Spine

Miami Herald Feb. 3, 1980

Lourdes Hormilla lives with the pain and the nightmare of a dog attack five months ago which left her with a fractured spine and torn ligaments in her legs.

A petite 95-pounder, she was knocked down on Aug. 15 by a Doberman pinscher as she was making her rounds as a substitute mail carrier in Sweetwater.

"I was filling in for the regular carrier who had been bitten on the arm so badly by a German shepherd he had to take some time off," she said.

The Post Office issues animal repellent to its mail carriers. It is a spray with a pepper base designed to repel an animal and not injure it.

"**I HAD BEEN** carrying the spray in my hand, but put it down so I could put mail into a box," she said. "I was delivering at a duplex when suddenly the door of the adjoining place opened and out charged the Doberman. It happened so suddenly, I didn't have time to grab my spray. I turned my back because I was afraid it was coming for my throat."

The dog slammed her to the ground with such force it fractured her spine.

"The dog was biting and I was doing everything I could to kick it off of me," she said.

The dog did not give up the attack until it was struck several times by someone who came to her aid.

"**I SPENT** two weeks in a hospital and I was in a body cast," she said. "I have to wear a special corset for my back now. My ligaments still give me problems and I can't stay on my feet very long."

She says she wants to get well enough to go back to work because she is sick and tired of being sidelined by the injuries. Much of her time is spent in bed at her home.

What advice does she offer about dog bites?

"My advice is to dog owners," she said. "They should not train their dogs to bite people. And if they do have a dog that bites, they should keep it away from the public."

As an afterthought, she added: "I used to love dogs and not be afraid of them. But now I am absolutely terrified, especially of big dogs. I hate this feeling but I can't help it, now that I've been bitten."

— **JIM HARDIE**

2 Slain As Dade Reports More Than a Murder a Day

By EDNA BUCHANAN
Herald Staff Writer

Shots were fired almost simultaneously Friday, killing two men in unrelated murders miles apart.

The killings bring the total number of homicides in Dade County for January to 29, more than one a day.

One victim was asleep in his own bed. A knock at the door [illegible] youths were engaged in a narcotics transaction at SW 68th Street and 59th Place at 10:50 a.m. The suspects were seated in a 1974 Plymouth. Scippio was outside the car. The men inside held his arms and dragged him at a high rate of speed.

They made a U-turn in the middle of SW 59th Place, speeded toward

for what appeared to be minor injuries, he was released. He was rushed back to the hospital, unconscious, on Tuesday. He remained in a coma until his death Wednesday afternoon.

Medical examiners said head injuries killed him.

A juvenile surrendered to Metro [illegible] and was charged

FEB. 5, 1980

NOTE: AS SCOTT ROGO POINTS OUT IN HIS EXCELLENT BOOK ABOUT MY WORK, "EARTH'S AMBASSADOR," THERE WAS QUITE AN INCREASE IN CRIME IN THE SAN FRANCISCO AREA DURING MY PSI-FORCE ATTACK ON SAN FRANCISCO.

THE SAME THING HAS OCCURRED IN THE MIAMI AREA SINCE I BEGAN MY PSI-FORCE ATTACK ON FLORIDA. CRIME IN AND AROUND MIAMI HAS SKYROCKETED UPWARDS. AND NOT JUST THE "BAD GUYS," EITHER. THE POLICE HAVE BEHAVED CRAZILY... LIKE TORTURING AND MURDERING INNOCENT PEOPLE!

Warmer Than Usual, But Some Not Pleased

Miami Herald Jan. 26, 1980

It's been warmer than usual this winter, and while the tourists are basking in the sunshine, the tomato farmers are fuming in the fields.

High temperatures have been running one-half degree above normal and lows about four degrees higher than usual, according to Elbert Hill, the lead forecaster for the National Weather Service.

"The warm weather has really screwed us up," said Jack Campbell, Florida Tomato Packers' spokesman. "Tomatoes come on quicker and in a heavier volume, rather than spread out."

The good news is that less electricity is being used during this "Indian winter."

Florida Power and Light Co. (FPL) spokesman Tony Bruns said that despite an increase of 100,000 new customers in the last year, usage has dropped.

A year ago, he said, FPL customers used 15,120,000 kilowatts of electricity from the first of December to now. This year during the same period, only 14,152,000 kilowatts were used.

FEB. 5, 1980

NOTE: NOT ONLY DID I HIT FLORIDA WITH ENOUGH HEAT TO BLOCK OFF THEIR REGULAR RAINY SEASON LAST SUMMER, BUT THAT POWERFUL HEAT ATTACK HAS CONTINUED THIS WINTER (SEE NEWSCLIP ↖).

Owens

Pet Pit Bull Bites Off Man's Thumb

By EDNA BUCHANAN
Herald Staff Writer

A retired banker's thumb was bitten off and his pet dachshund was critically mauled Friday after the dachshund attacked a pit bull terrier on a leash.

"Technically the dachshund was at fault for running loose," said Metro Animal Control Officer Michael W. Baker.

"The pit bulldog was very gentle with me. I had no problems with that dog at all," he said.

PEANUT, the one-eyed 9-year-old dachshund, "is a perfect watchdog," owner Marie Harris said tearfully. "He just wanted that dog [the pit bull] to get away from his yard. He didn't want him around here."

Her husband James, 62, was in the carport of their Carol City home, at 1851 NW 183rd St., wiping the dust off his auto, shortly after 9 a.m. Peanut was playing nearby when a teenager, identified as Dexter Smith, walked by with a 14-month-old 60-pound male pit bull on a leash, Baker said.

Peanut raced at the much larger animal yapping angrily. Harris shouted at him to come back.

Peanut, a housepet "who just had a little freedom for a minute around the carport," according to Mrs. Harris, charged. Harris rushed to separate the animals.

"THE YOUNG man with the dog told him to move out of the way and he would separate them," Baker said. "But the owner insisted on getting his dog away from the pit bull and in doing so he was bitten."

"He was trying to get our little dog out of that dog's mouth," Mrs. Harris said.

Metro Rescue Lt. Hampton Wade and Fire Fighter Thomas Williams arrived minutes later. "The man walked over to us and said a dog bit him," Wade said. He had his thumb in his hand. He also had numerous puncture wounds in his other hand.

"He was very concerned about his dog," Wade said. "He told us the pit bull had him down on the ground and he was amazed at the

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Study Pit Bulls, Schreiber Asks

Metro Commissioner Barry Schreiber has asked County Manager Merrett Stierheim to conduct a study of pit bull terriers. Schreiber is considering an ordinance regulating pit bulls, but County Attorney Robert Ginsburg said courts might strike the law down unless a study showed the animals were likely to attack humans. The state already regulates ownership of piranha, a small but voracious South American fish, Schreiber said, and Metro should be able to do the same with pit bulls.

Miami Herald Jan. 26, 1980

Man Hurt Trying to Part His Dachshund, Pit Bull

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strength the dog had. He said he was trying to keep the dog away from his throat.

"He was very cool, considering he just had his thumb bit off. He was fortunate the dog didn't devour it."

HARRIS WAS taken to Parkway Hospital, and later transferred to Palmetto Hospital where surgeon Dr. Jeffrey Coll reimplanted the severed digit late Friday. A hospital spokesman said it was "hopeful but not definite" that the thumb could be saved.

"It's a very delicate process," said Dr. Manolo Reyes. Harris was in stable condition late Friday.

The dachshund survived surgery and is fighting for his life at Dade Animal Hospital.

The pit bull is owned by Clayton Way, of 1920 NW 185th Ter., according to Baker. He said the dog had current vaccinations, and has been placed under temporary quarantine. Attempts to contact Way or Smith were unsuccessful.

On Dec. 1, a 6-year-old Hollywood boy was attacked and disfigured by a pit bull in a playmate's yard. On Jan. 15, a 71-year-old Miami woman was mauled by her husband's two pit bulls. Police shot both dogs. One survived the wound and was put to death Thursday after 10 days observation for rabies.

The woman, bitten on the legs, back, head and face, has been released from the hospital.

0881-82 Ginsburg

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NOTE: I HAD INFORMED WAYNE GROVER THAT MY PSI-FORCE ATTACK ON FLORIDA WOULD CAUSE WEIRD HUMAN, ANIMAL AND FISH BEHAVIOR. THIS HAS ALL OCCURRED, TO A MARKED DEGREE! (ABOVE IS A SAMPLE. THERE'S LOTS MORE!)

Owens

World PK
Herald Feb 8, 1980



— United Press International

DIGGING OUT of more than a foot of snow, David Brown of Norfolk, Va., tries to get some traction for his car. Tidewater Virginia reeled in the wake of its second-heaviest snowfall in almost a century Thursday with 15 inches at Virginia Beach. In neighboring coastal North Carolina, 7,000 residents were without power as a result of a record 20-inch snowfall.

— WORLD POWER OUT —

Year's Biggest Storm Unleashes Snow, Rain

Miami Herald Feb. 9, 1980

Associated Press

The biggest storm of the winter, stretching from the Rockies to the Smokies, delivered freezing rain, harsh winds and even thunder and lightning with up to 20 inches of snow Friday. At least five people died in the storm.

"It hasn't been much fun," said a police dispatcher in Oklahoma.

Thousands of vehicles in Texas, Oklahoma and Missouri were stranded on snow-packed highways. Some schools were closed in every state between Colorado and North Carolina. The National Guard was out in Missouri and Kansas.

"Most snowplows are in the ditch," said Bobbie Nichols, a Greene County, Mo., dispatcher. "Even big trucks are stuck. Some four-wheel-drive vehicles can't get through, and many police cars are stalled."

She said 100 to 150 cars and trucks were stranded on one stretch of highway north of Springfield, but emergency vehicles got the occupants to houses, stores and a fire department in the area to wait out the storm.

Gov. Joseph Teasdale called on the National Guard to provide emergency services in southwest Missouri. In Mountain Grove, Mo., a 20-inch snowfall was reported. Sixteen to 18 inches was the rule in the area.

In the Texas Panhandle, there was less snow but it came after showers, thunderstorms, freezing rain and sleet. Most roads were impassable. Hundreds of cars were stuck, and a motel burned to the ground in Conway because fire fighters could not get to it.

Lightning knocked an Amarillo TV station, KDFA, off the air for several hours.

Flash flood warnings were issued for much of southern Texas, where warmer temperatures turned the precipitation to rain.

Oklahoma traffic was at a crawl — or a slide. The highway patrol reported 2-foot snowdrifts on the Will Rogers Turnpike.

In Kansas, where several communities reported 15-inch snowfalls, Gov. John Carlin issued a declaration of emergency and opened two National Guard armories to stranded interstate highway travelers.

Interstate 70 was closed for 200 miles in Kansas, but the highway patrol said it was reopened late in the day.

In Lawrence, where about 10 inches had fallen by Friday morning, the University of Kansas Athletic Department issued a call over a local radio station for snowmobiles to shuttle prospective football recruits around the snow-packed, hilly campus. By Friday night they'd rounded up eight machines.

Bruce DeHaven, athletic department spokesman, said university football recruiters had planned to bring 18 top prospects to the school this weekend for a banquet and a tour of the campus.

A 69-year-old woman was killed when her car slid out of control and into a tree near Neodesha, the highway patrol said. A 63-year-old Hiawatha chiropractor and a 60-year-old Kansas City, Mo., man died of heart attacks while shoveling snow.

As the brunt of the storm headed east, residents went to food stores in hordes to stock up. Meat, milk, bread and canned goods were disappearing from the shelves in stores all over St. Louis, and Winn-Dixie food stores in Louisville, Ky., reported it had to open additional checkout lines for the influx of shoppers.

In Kentucky and Tennessee, schools closed early as major snowfalls were predicted. On treacherous Monteagle Mountain in southeast Tennessee, a man and a woman were killed when a tractor-trailer truck flipped onto its side and crashed into a rock wall.

Memphis police said 45 to 50 accidents were reported in the morning rush hour.

Feb. 9, 1980 I PK'd this game, Owens.

Clippers shatter Portland 118-104

Oregonian

SAN DIEGO — Pro basketball's million-dollar backup center, Bill Walton, reacquainted himself with his old team Friday night, but it was Freeman Williams who stole the evening away as the San Diego Clippers buried the Portland Trail Blazers 118-104.

Williams, who led the nation in scoring two straight years at Portland State, had a game-high 29 points — 22 in the second half — to help put the Trail Blazers away.

Walton played for the first time against his former teammates, managed 13 points in 15 minutes and then talked about the difficulty of making a comeback.

It was only the redhead's third NBA game in two years. He missed 160 consecutive contests with assorted injuries.

"I just have to pick my spots," said Walton, after the Clippers shoved Portland aside and took over possession of the Western Conference's sixth and last playoff position.

"I'm hoping for the best, but I think in the long run it will all come back," he continued. "I've lost a lot of confidence — not in my game, but in my leg."

Walton cannot play back-to-back games and is limited to just spot duty behind regular center Swen Nater.

What was supposed to be an emotional night lost a lot of its drama with the news earlier in the day that Maurice Lucas and Lionel Hollins were no longer Trail Blazers.

Portland looked listless in falling behind 61-49 at halftime — even though Williams, starting in the absence of Lloyd Free, got into quick foul trouble and spent most of the half on the bench.

Off the sidelines came Joe "Jellybean" Bryant to lift the Clippers with 14 second-period points. The contest would have been over if Blazer Ron Brewer had not had a hot hand (17 points) to offset Bryant's almost perfect shooting.

The Blazers, who dropped to 27-30, a full game back of the Clippers, pulled within three points three different times in the third period, the last coming at 82-79.

That's when Williams took over, with two darting drives down the lane, to stem the rally. He kept right on going in the fourth quarter.

The second consecutive no-show of Free was explained away this time as ankle trouble. Wednesday night the Clippers dispatched a police car to his home when he failed to show for the team's flight to Oakland.

Free, who is unhappy with his $140,000-a-year contract and Walton's domination of the newspaper headlines since his return, said he had the flu.

"For us to succeed," said Clipper Coach Gene Shue, who at least had his star guard on the bench in street clothes Friday night, "we have to have Lloyd in the lineup. When a player says he's sick, you can't say he isn't sick. But I think it's related to his contract problems."

Shue said that Walton "is not the Bill Walton we know. He's a spot player now trying to get himself into shape."

The Blazers, who got 23 points from Brewer — practically their only offensive weapon at times — and a pro career high 21 from rookie Jim Paxson — are not the same, either.

PORTLAND (104)

	MP	FG	FT	R	A	P	ST	TO	TP
Gross	31	4-8	3-3	5	3	3	1	3	11
Washington	43	8-13	1-2	11	2	2	1	3	17
Owens	40	6-15	6-7	4	3	5	1	3	18
R. Brewer	41	10-21	3-6	4	5	0	1	2	23
Twardzik	6	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Paxson	32	8-10	5-7	2	4	2	1	3	21
Jeelani	21	4-9	4-5	2	2	2	1	2	12
J. Brewer	9	1-1	0-0	2	0	6	0	1	2
Dunn	17	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Totals	240	41-81	22-30	30	20	21	7	18	104

SAN DIEGO (118)

	MP	FG	FT	R	A	P	ST	TO	TP
Smith	32	7-13	4-6	10	2	2	0	1	18
Wicks	25	3-3	1-3	6	5	4	1	4	7
Nater	31	3-5	4-4	7	4	2	0	3	10
Taylor	39	4-14	0-0	1	7	2	3	3	*9
Williams	32	14-22	1-2	2	0	3	0	2	29
Pietkiewicz	25	3-4	2-2	0	7	6	1	1	8
Bryant	35	10-14	0-0	12	4	4	2	4	20
Walton	17	5-8	3-4	4	1	0	1	0	13
Barnes	4	2-2	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	4
Totals	240	51-85	15-21	43	30	24	8	18	118

Portland	27	22	30	25	— 104
San Diego	31	30	25	32	— 118

Team rebounds — Portland 6, San Diego 9.
Blocked shots — Gross, Washington, Williams, Nater 2, Pietkiewicz, Bryant.
*Three-point attempts — Washington 0-1, Owens 0-1, Brewer 0-1, Jeelani 0-1, Taylor 1-2, Williams 0-1, Bryant 0-1.
Technical fouls — none.
Officials — Madden, Nies.
Attendance — 12,715.

Natt impressive in loss

Hawks' defense dooms Blazers

Atlanta's defense forced the Portland Trail Blazers into another sloppy offensive game Tuesday night at Memorial Coliseum and the Hawks walked away with a 95-89 win and their seventh straight victory.

The Blazers got within 80-73 on two free throws by Abdul Jeelani, but the Hawks went on a 12-7 run to open up a 92-80 lead with 3:52 to go.

In the first half, the Hawks pounded the Blazers inside, but in the last half, they went to their outside shooters.

Guards Eddie Johnson and Charlie Criss had six points each in the last quarter, while the Blazer guards scored only three points in the last 10 minutes of the game.

John Drew, who always does well against the Blazers, led Atlanta with 24 points. Johnson had 16.

Tom Owens, with 22 points, led the Blazers. Ron Brewer had 19.

The loss dropped the Blazers, 27-31, a game behind San Diego in the chase for the sixth and last playoff spot in the Western Conference of the National Basketball Association. The Hawks, 35-23, gained a game on San Antonio and have a five-game lead in the Central Division.

Calvin Natt, making his Trail Blazer debut, played a total of 32 minutes and 6 seconds. He had 10 points in 16:35 at small forward and four points in 15:31 at power forward. The Hawks outrebounded Portland 52-42, with Drew grabbing 12.

The Atlanta guards forced the Blazers to start their offense 30 feet from the basket and the Blazers rarely got the prime inside shots their offense is designed to get.

Portland trailed 49-38 at halftime after being behind 47-33 with 2:37 to go.

Only Owens, with 11 points, and Natt, with eight, were able to solve the Hawks' defensive riddle.

Compounding the offensive problems was the Blazers' ineffectiveness on the boards. Atlanta outrebounded them 27-14 in the first half despite the fact that leading rebounder Dan Roundfield got his third foul with 11:03 to go in the second quarter and didn't return.

The Hawks took advantage of the rebounding edge to fill the fastbreak lanes. They scored eight straight points to take a 39-29 lead with 4:52 to go in the quarter.

Natt looked impressive. Despite being with the team for only two days, he was able to work within the offense. His last field goal of the first half came on a back-door lob from Bob Gross.

The Blazers play in Los Angeles Wednesday (8 p.m., KPTV).

BLAZER NOTES — Dave Twardzik (bruised thigh) missed the game and Jim Paxson got his first NBA start. ... Backup center Kevin Kunnert was activated before the game, but did not play. He is bothered by tendinitis in his right knee. ... Hawk guard Armond Hill was ill and missed the game. ... Natt is wearing No. 33. ... Blazers President Larry Weinberg has called a press conference for 10 a

ATLANTA (95

	MP	FG	FT	
Drew	29	7-17	10-12	
Roundfield	20	5-10	0-0	
Rollins	28	2-5	3-4	
Johnson	35	6-16	4-5	
McElroy	33	3-9	2-2	
Criss	28	4-7	2-2	
Pellom	14	1-1	0-0	
Givens	19	3-8	2-2	
Hawes	20	2-6	2-3	
Brown	14	1-1	2-4	
Totals	240	34-80	27-34	5

PORTLAND (8

	MP	FG	FT	
Gross	21	1-4	2-4	
Washington	38	6-13	2-6	1
Owens	37	7-13	8-12	
R. Brewer	38	7-19	5-8	
Paxson	38	2-6	2-2	
Natt	34	7-16	0-0	
Dunn	17	2-5	0-0	
J. Brewer	6	1-2	0-0	
Jeelani	11	1-4	2-2	
Totals	240	34-82	21-34	4

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Team rebounds — Atlanta 11, Por
Turnovers-points — Atlanta 15 f
for 7 pts.
Blocked shots — Rollins 6, Round
Natt 2, J. Brewer, Washington.
Three-point attempts — none.
Technical fouls — none.
Officials — Strom, Crawford.
Attendance — 12,666.
Paramount attendance — 1,422.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1980

Lakers enjoy 129-103 laugher over Portland

LOS ANGELES — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar is playing with the enthusiasm of a rookie. The born-again pivot man acored 32 points in three quarters Wednesday as the Los Angeles Lakers laughed their way to a 129-103 National Basketball Association win over the Portland Trail Blazers.

Portland, 27-32, was reduced to eight players quickly Wednesday. Dave Twardzik, who missed Tuesday's loss to Atlanta because of a bruised right thigh, got banged on that thigh again early Wednesday and left the game in the first quarter.

Twardzik's absence leaves the Blazers without an experienced lead guard and Portland's offense suffers without him.

But injury was added to injury later in the first quarter, when center Tom Owens fell to the floor with a sprained left ankle. Portland trailed 23-14 when he left and never really got into the game after that.

Blazer Coach Jack Ramsay was forced to use Kermit Washington and Jim Brewer in the middle. Neither one is an offensive shooting threat and that sprung Abdul-Jabbar free to patrol the middle.

Looking more like a hockey goalie that a center, Abdul-Jabbar rejected six Blazer shots and intimidated the Blazers away from the middle.

Before the game Blazer Coach Jack Ramsay said his team had to stop the Laker fastbreak and force Los Angeles into its halfcourt offense. It had to keep the ball away from Abdul-Jabbar and keep Jamaal Wilkes and Norm Nixon from getting the open-court jumpers.

Well, the Lakers, who had lost their three previous games against Portland, ran with abandon and Wilkes and Nixon lit up the Forum for 25 and 14 points respectively.

Any doubt about this one went out the window late in the first half. The Lakers outscored Portland 14-2 at the end of the half to take a 59-38 lead at intermission, then scored the first four points of the third quarter to complete an 18-2 tear and lead 63-38.

The Lakers, 41-18, still trail first-place Seattle by two games in the Pacific Division race, but they are 25-3 at home and play six of their next seven games in Los Angeles. They look ready to make a late-season charge at the Sonics.

The man who will lead that charge will be Abbul-Jabbar, who injured a knee slightly in the third quarter and didn't return.

Laker owner Jerry Buss recently gave him a new five-year contract worth about a $1 million a year and he seems to be enjoying his new-found wealth. He hit 15 of 19 shots from the field, made all four free throws and dealt 11 assists.

The Laker half-court offense used to consist of a lob pass to Abdul-Jabbar and four guys milling around while he sky hooked or hit a turnaround jumper. Now, when he gets the ball, the rest of the Lakers are running Blazer-like cuts to the hoops and Abdul-Jabbar is passing the ball like Bill Walton in his heyday.

"We got the transition game going tonight," said Wilkes, who hit 12 of 16 shots from the field. "Magic (Johnson) and Nixon give Kareem and (Jim) Chones and me a lot of open shots.

"We've tried to get more movement around him (Abdul-Jabbar)," Wilkes continued. "We tried to get him one-on-one with his man and when he's one-on-one he can't be beat."

The Laker offensive movement kept the four other Blazer defenders occupied and kept Portland from the double and triple teams of Abdul-Jabbar that have been successful for the Blazers.

The only good news for Portland is that it didn't lose any ground to San Diego. The sixth-place Clippers lost to Washington Wednesday and still lead Portland by only one game in the race for the sixth and final Western Conference playoff berth.

Portland, losers of three in a row, return home Friday to play the Atlantic Division-leading Boston Celtics.

Feb. 16, 1950

Dr. Henry Monteith

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~~Wayne Grover~~

I am added note, my daughter, Lonnie, whom I love very much, lives in California.

Dr. Henry Monteith

~~Dr.~~ Leo ~~Sheinfeld~~

~~Dr.~~ Targ & Putha

Note: The world is about to [illegible] thanks to the Cancer-Tic Cure. Don't let your time run out. Call today!!!

today my ?FC communicated. They stated: either I get The Hearst Castle in California for five years, as our base, plus $100,000 per year for expenses... or they, The SI's (?FC) will destroy California!

Let The Durham Dandies; The Hardy Hard Cases; The Hyrek Hyenas and The Les Flamos Animals try this! But it is a bum." If they succeed, as they have succeeded, then they will succeed in destroying California.

I guess what I am saying is... let them call our hand!

This has a 90 day, time limit. (To May 16.)

The SI's say, time is short. It has to be, this way, let the chips fall where they may

Ted Owens (?K/Man)

Powerful Celts rip Trail Blazers 106-91

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The Boston Celtics showed why they are a contender and the Portland Trail Blazers showed why they aren't Friday in a 106-91 Celtic win at the mausoleum known as Memorial Coliseum.

The Celtics, who hold a two-game lead over Philadelphia in the Atlantic Division of the National Basketball Association, got 28 points from Larry Bird and 16 each from Nate Archibald and M.L. Carr in a breezy evening.

The Blazers, 27-33, are 0-4 since last week's Maurice Lucas and Lionel Hollins trades. They don't have anybody who is passing the ball with any confidence and even when somebody breaks open in the offense he rarely receives a clean pass.

Still, the Blazers trailed only 80-70 with 10:57 to go before their offense went into another of its celebrated slumbers and the Celtics rolled off eight straight points to take an 88-70 lead. Bob Gross finally hit a field goal that ended a 4:24 stretch without a field goal but Portland trailed 92-75.

Calvin Natt, who game to Portland in the Lucas trade, and Abdul Jeelani had 20 points each. Natt had 16 in the second half. Kermit Washington added 17 points.

But the Blazer offense continues to be a mirage. Portland was missing Ron Brewer (bruised hip) and Tom Owens (strained thumb) for most of the second half, but it is doubtful either one would have made much difference.

The Blazers trail sixth place San Diego by a game and a half in the race for the sixth and final Western Conference playoff berth.

The first half may have been the dreariest of a dismal three-month stretch for the Blazers. SINCE HALLOWEEN!!

Their offense has disintegrated. Jeelani's jumper, jump shots from Ron Brewer off occasional offensive picks and Washington's offensive rebounds seemed to be their only means of scoring.

If good offense is as beautiful as a Picasso, then the Blazer offense is as muddled as a finger-painting.

The Blazers trailed 51-40 at the half. Bird, picking on Bob Gross, Natt, Jeelani and Washington, had 18 first-half points.

The Blazers got 10 from Brewer, nine from Washington and eight from Jeelani,and very little from their set offense.

Portland shot .373 from the field in the half, while allowing Boston enough good shots that it was able to hit half of its 40 shots.

The Blazers went 3:53 without a field goal early in the first quarter as Boston ran off 10 straight points to take a 14-10 lead. But Portland hung close and trailed only 31-30 with 6:45 to go in the half.

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TV loss triggers rioting

Feb. 17, 1980

By LAURINDA KEYS

CHINO, Calif. (AP) — Several hundred inmates in five units at the California Institution for Men vandalized their dormitories because they had no television and had to eat cold lunches during long power outages, a prison spokesman said Saturday.

When a lightning bolt knocked out electricity at the medium-security prison Friday night, for the second time in the day, many of the 375 prisoners in five open dormitories began a fire-setting, furniture-breaking, soap-throwing frenzy that lasted until 2:30 a.m., said spokesman Marvin Ryer.

No one was injured, and there was no damage estimate, he said.

"Basically, they tore up plumbing, busted windows. It was vandalism, like kids who go in and bust schools," said Ryer. "Lightning had caused the electricity to go out at 10 a.m. and it was out all day until about 5 p.m. Then it went out again at 6:30. They were fed sack lunches at dinnertime instead of a hot meal. And they had no TV. You don't turn off people's TV nowadays."

When correctional officers backed by local law enforcement personnel moved in [illegible] con-

— World Power Out —

Floodwaters pummel California for 3rd day

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Heavy rains and blustery winds pummeled Southern California for a third straight day Friday, unleashing floodwaters that set some cars adrift and sent mud and rock cascading from fire-stripped hillsides.

The three-day rainfall totaled nearly 4½ inches by Friday afternoon, with an additional 2 to 4 inches expected to pelt the area by midnight Saturday. The total rainfall for the season is more than 13 inches, 3 more than normal by this date. Showers will continue through Sunday, the National Weather Service said.

As the storm reached eastward into Arizona, at least two people died, hundreds were stranded and thousands were being evacuated.

Elsewhere in the West, heavy rains caused scattered flooding in Utah, and snow and ice made driving perilous in parts of Washington, Oregon, Colorado, Nebraska, Montana and Wyoming.

No deaths were reported in California, but two people were hospitalized after being washed from their cars by the rushing water.

Hundreds of people were looking for their cars or calling insurance companies Friday in the aftermath of floods that police and residents called the worst they'd ever seen.

The ceiling of a Beverly Hills apartment building collapsed "with a shattering noise you wouldn't believe," said its occupant, Mrs. Edward Rothenberg. No one was hurt.

A wall of water that witnesses said reached 3 to 4 feet rumbled through the Hollywood Hills area of Los Angeles, sending one car tumbling end over end. The unidentified woman who was driving the car was rescued. She suffered bruises, but was otherwise unhurt.

"I've never seen anything like it in my life," said one man whose car also was caught in the flood and came to rest against a toppled mailbox. "This wall of water was coming right at me."

During the heaviest rains in predawn hours, neighbors pulled an unconscious man from the muddy water that had washed over Pasadena Glen Road and bent his Jeep in half.

Stephen Young, 23, was attempting to drive out of the area when his vehicle got caught by rushing water. He got out and was carried downstream about a half mile before two young girls pulled him out.

Young was given first aid for cuts and bruises, then taken to a hospital.

At Marina Del Rey, where 6,000 boats are moored, the harbor patrol reported many boats were listing and needed pumping out because of internal flooding.

In Glendale, the roof of a supermarket collapsed, apparently because of accumulated rainwater. No one was inside at the time.

An undetermined number of people were evacuated from the Pasadena Glen area, threatened by mud slides from hillsides left bare by fires last summer.

"It's an area where there are a lot of unpaved roads," Los Angeles County sheriff's Sgt. Lee Jordan said. "There have been some mud slides."

Floodwaters and debris forced the closing of the Hollywood Freeway, and mud slides closed four of the five lanes of the westbound Ventura Freeway and the Pacific Coast Highway in Malibu.

Winds that gusted to 40 mph smashed windows in some areas, including exclusive Marina del Rey, and hailstones accumulated on the ground.

"In 34 years in Santa Monica, this was the worst I've ever seen it," said Police Lt. Robert Thomas. "Many cars were abandoned in the middle of the street. I saw small cars floating."

Firemen in Pasadena put sandbags on a hillside in an effort to keep the hill from collapsing on one home.

The storm also caused scattered power outages, including one at Queen of Angels Hospital near downtown Los Angeles. The outage only affected parts of the hospital, and a nursing supervisor said some surgery was done in a hallway. Flooding also hit Midway Hospital, and an official who declined to be identified said damage was "extensive."

In West Los Angeles, one resident watched as her subcompact car was washed about 75 yards down the street from in front of her apartment.

"The wind was blowing so hard I couldn't even get the window open to get a better look," she said.

In the Pasadena-Altadena area, 4 to 6 feet of mud flowed onto a street.

Flooding hits Arizona, California, Utah

11,000 evacuated in Phoenix area

By DAVID L. LANGFORD
of The Associated Press

Thousands of residents of Phoenix, Ariz., fled their homes Saturday while surging waters washed out roads and bridges and floated away cars in Arizona, California and Utah.

Authorities ordered the evacuation of 11,000 people along the normally dry river beds running through Phoenix, an area of 1.5 million people.

New rains moved into Arizona Saturday night, but Gov. Bruce Babbitt said the worst appeared over.

"The news is generally positive and encouraging," Babbitt said at a news conference Saturday night. The governor said water releases into the Salt River had dropped and weather forecasters said an oncoming storm would bring less rain than originally expected.

Two people drowned in Arizona and a woman died on a rain-slicked California highway during two days of flash floods. In Illinois, where a wind-whipped snowstorm moved in Friday night, police blamed slippery roads for a traffic collision that killed four.

Elsewhere, a long-awaited snowstorm finally reached New England, sprinkling many areas with several inches, more than had fallen all winter.

"This is a big bright day for us," said Walter Schoenknecht, president of Mohawk Mountain Ski Area in Cornwall, Conn. "For us, winter has finally begun."

At Lake Placid, N.Y., site of the Winter Olympics, Gov. Hugh Carey declared a limited transportation emergency after the heavy snowfall stranded spectators, further jammed roads and closed nearby airports.

Eight of the 10 bridges spanning the Salt River in its 20-mile run through Phoenix were closed, and no surface crossings were passable.

With half the city virtually shut off from the other half, about 650 National Guardsmen patrolled evacuated neighborhoods.

Babbitt ordered a state of emergency Friday night as authorities kept an eye on the Stewart Mountain Dam which holds back the 10-mile-long Saguaro Lake about 20 miles east of Phoenix.

The governor said federal engineers examined the dam Saturday and reported the structure was in good shape. "I think that our minds are very much at rest on the issue," he said.

After a helicopter flight Saturday with state legislators over the metropolitan area, Babbitt told reporters that "damage thus far is relatively limited."

An exception was the far west side of the Salt River Valley which showed "tremendous spreading" of water from the rushing rivers, he told a news conference.

Maricopa County Civil Defense officials estimated 400 homes damaged in communities on the west and southwest sides of Phoenix, where the Agua Fria and Salt rivers join.

Meanwhile, a series of Pacific storms soaked Southern California for a fourth day Saturday after swamping roadways, dumping mud and rocks into hillside homes and washing away automobiles.

Winds unofficially clocked at 60 mph tore through the Napa Valley in Northern California on Saturday, knocking down power lines and toppling trees. Heavy rains caused mud slides that forced the temporary closing of a 26-mile stretch of California 17 between Los Gatos and Santa Cruz.

"It just kind of plowed through the valley," said a reporter for a Napa radio station. "Our antenna has been twisted around the wrong way and our FM station has been off the air for an hour."

A building under construction in Napa collapsed. Pacific Gas and Electric spokesman Tony Ledwell said 5,000 to 10,000 customers were without power at one time or another.

In San Bernardino, people in a 3½-square-mile area were evacuated when muddy waters began cascading over the top of Harrison Dam.

In Laurel Canyon, a woman was hospitalized after her house slid off its foundation into the street.

Two children were reported trapped in a house that collapsed in Topanga Canyon, and the torrential rains reportedly were undercutting foundations of some homes in the Pasadena area, Sherman Oaks, Calabasas, and Tujunga and Stone canyons.

In Phoenix, Bob Bishop, a Civil Defense spokesman, estimated that 6,000 of the 11,000 residents asked to evacuate had left by midday, some moving in with friends and relatives and others going to the 10 Red Cross and Civil Defense emergency shelters. Workers passed out sandbags at several distribution centers.

The National Weather Service said another storm headed toward the area could add another 3 inches to the 6 inches which had fallen by Friday night.

In southwestern Utah, where the Santa Clara River had swollen to 10 times its normal width, flash floods washed out roads and bridges, water and sewer lines.

The main road to Green Valley in southwestern St. George, Utah, was blocked, isolating 2,000 to 3,000 residents. A bridge of the Virgin River in southern St. George leading to the unincorporated suburb of Bloomington was washed out. Power, water and phone service was interrupted when lines beneath river were knocked out.

In Phoenix, the Salt River was flowing at about 170,000 cubic feet per second at midmorning. In December 1978, when hundreds of homes were inundated on the city's southwest side in what the weather service called a "100-year flood," the flow was measured at 135,000 cubic feet per second.

New Pacific Storm Brings More Rain to a Wet West

Miami Herald Feb. 18, 1980 — World Power Out —

Associated Press

A new Pacific storm brought more rain Sunday night to Southern California, where at least seven persons have died in five days of a nearly continuous soaking.

In Phoenix, Ariz., some of the thousands of residents who fled raging Salt River waters returned home Sunday after flooding proved unexpectedly mild.

Already battered by rain-swollen rivers of mud and water, residents of Southern California cities continued to dig out and protect their property with shovels Sunday night as rain began again. More than 20,000 sandbags were sent to aid hard-hit residents of the Sunland-Tujunga area north of downtown Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES County Sheriff's deputies estimated the storms already had caused at least $3.5 million in damage to property in unincorporated areas of the county. No figures for the city were available, they said.

The nearly steady downpour stopped about dawn Sunday, but by 6 p.m. rain was again falling. The National Weather Service said periodic rain was expected to last through Tuesday and issued a flash flood watch Sunday night for most of Southern California.

The latest storm in Phoenix on Saturday night dropped less than one inch of rain, instead of the predicted three inches that had prompted warnings of a "500-year flood" and caused the evacuation of as many as 6,000 families. More than six inches of rain has fallen since Wednesday.

At least 400 homes were damaged, along with hundreds of streets, roads and bridges. No dollar estimate was available.

Flood waters still covered many low-lying areas, and seven of the 10 bridges linking the north with the south in this metropolitan valley of 1.5 million were unusable.

ARIZONA Gov. Bruce Babbitt said the main concern was the "colossal" confusion the area could expect today and Tuesday when thousands of commuters jam the three remaining bridges.

Babbitt said major employers probably would be asked to stagger work hours and he said the state might operate shuttle buses over the bridges.

Rains in California sent tons of muddy water cascading down hillsides, through homes, and washing cars and garages into the streets. One woman was killed when a mudslide tore through her canyon home.

In Northern California, rains and high winds flooded highways and snapped lines that knocked out power to thousands.

In the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, about 100 workers were applying heavy rock, canvas and plastic sheets to strengthen a levee system weakened by wind-blown waves and high tides.

Authorities at the California Flood Center said they were especially worried about Bethel Island, which has as many as 15,000 weekend residents.

IN PHOENIX, Babbitt said that despite the improved condition of the Salt, water would continue to flow down the normally dry riverbed through at least the middle of the week.

But Salt River Project officials said the runoff on the upper reaches of the churning Salt and Verde rivers was less than the quantity of water surging out of the irrigation control dams that fed the Salt as it surged through the center of Phoenix.

ruggling Blazers eat Golden State

By STEVE KELLEY
of The Oregonian staff

Feb. 18, 1980

The Portland Trail Blazers beat the only team in the National Basketball Association they probably could have beaten Sunday, the Golden State Warriors, 103-98 at Memorial Coliseum.

A win by any other name still is a win and the 28-33 Blazers need any they can find. Sunday's win moved them to within one-half game of the sixth-place San Diego Clippers in the race for the sixth and last Western Conference playoff berth.

The Blazers blew a 63-43 third-quarter lead to the talent-thin Warriors. Clifford Ray's only field goal of the night tied the game at 91 with 4:23 to go.

But "Instant O," Abdul Jeelani, reentered the game and gave the Blazers the offensive spark down the stretch that helped them snap a four-game losing streak.

After Jim Brewer scored at 3:58, Jeelani hit two free throws to make it 95-91 at 3:18.

Neither the 18-43 Warriors nor the Blazers have done much winning lately and the final minutes were a classic example of two teams trying not to lose.

The Blazers went ahead 99-93 when Bob Gross made two free throws at 2:06. But two Sonny Parker field goals and a free throw by John Lucas cut the lead to 99-98 at 38 seconds.

Golden State had a chance to take the lead after a Blazer turnover with 17 seconds left, but Ray missed badly on a short shot and Lucas missed a followup shot.

Jeelani hit two more free throws with six seconds left, then Calvin Natt made a steal on a inbounds pass and a layup with two seconds as the Blazers staggered to their first win since losing Maurice Lucas and Lionel Hollins in trades.

Despite missing Kermit Washington (strained hamstring), Portland clobbered the Warriors on the boards. In the first half, Portland was able to outrebound Golden State 31-14. Many of those rebounds were turned into fastbreaks and the Blazers ran well for half the game.

Blazer Coach Jack Ramsay started Jeelani and Natt at forwards in an effort to get some firepower. It worked. Jeelani, who has shown he can score against anybody in the NBA, had 26 points.

The Blazer offense seems to move better in open court situations. When their rebounding allows them to run and when their runners fill the lanes, they are capable of putting points on the board

But mysteriously, the running game disappeared in the last half and it took a bad shot by Ray and a final turnover by the Warriors to save Portland.

"He's earned the right to play," Ramsay said when asked why Jeelani started ahead of Gross. "He's played well and we need firepower in there right now. He's a starter, but a lot depends on what Kermit does. I thought it was better to start Natt and Jeelani because of the need for shooting."

Jeelani's last start was Dec. 1 in Houston. "Starting made a difference in my game," said Jeelani, who also had seven offensive rebounds and played fine defense. "I usually have to save my energy for spurts in the second and

Note: This game, like the recent Super Bowl, was a classic example of a team defeating the psi-force helping it to win.
I attacked the Blazers over the radio. The Blazers got 20 points ahead over the Warriors (who are the lousiest team in all pro basketball). However, my psi force slowly but surely ground down the Blazer lead until the game was tied with a few minutes left.
The psi force then set up the perfect win situation for the Warriors. What did they do? Missed not one but two easy close shots — then dropped the ball and let it roll away to the Blazers on their next opportunity to go ahead and win! And that was the ball game.
The psi force had the game won and wrapped up in gift paper for the Warriors but the Warriors themselves beat the Force helping them to win!

Owens

Soaked Southwest gets more rain

By The Associated Press Febr. 18, 1980

A new Pacific storm brought more rain Sunday night to Southern California, where at least seven persons have died in five days of a nearly continuous soaking.

In Phoenix, some of the thousands of residents who fled raging Salt River waters returned home Sunday after flooding proved unexpectedly mild.

Already battered by rain-swollen rivers of mud and water, residents of Southern California cities continued to dig out and protect their property with shovels Sunday night as rain began again. More than 20,000 sandbags were sent to aid hard-hit residents of the Sunland-Tujunga area north of downtown Los Angeles.

Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies estimated the storms had caused at least $3.5 million in damage to property in unincorporated areas of the county. No figures for the city were available, they said.

The nearly steady downpour stopped about dawn Sunday, but by 6 p.m. rain was again falling. The National Weather Service said periodic rain was expected to last through Tuesday and issued a flash flood watch Sunday night for most of Southern California.

The latest storm in Phoenix on Saturday night dropped less than 1 inch of rain, instead of the predicted 3 inches that had prompted warnings of a "500-year flood" and caused evacuation of up to 6,000 families. More than 6 inches of rain has fallen since Wednesday.

At least 400 homes were damaged, along with hundreds of streets, roads and bridges. No dollar estimate was available.

Floodwaters still covered many low-lying areas, and seven of the 10 bridges linking the north with the south in this metropolitan valley of 1.5 million were unusable.

Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt said the main concern was the "colossal" confusion the area could expect Monday and Tuesday when thousands of commuters jammed the three remaining bridges.

Babbitt said major employers probably would be asked to stagger work hours and he said the state might run shuttle buses over the bridges.

Rains in California sent tons of muddy water cascading down hillsides, through homes, and washing cars and garages into the streets. One woman was killed when a mud slide tore through her canyon home.

In Northern California, rains and high winds flooded highways and snapped lines that knocked out power to thousands.

In the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta, about 100 workers were applying heavy rock, canvas and plastic sheets to strengthen a levee system weakened by wind-blown waves and high tides.

Authorities at the California Flood Center said they were especially worried about Bethel Island, which has up to 15,000 weekend residents.

"I don't want to predict doom for the whole delta," spokesman Bill Clark said, "but if these weather conditions persist, we could have some real problems."

In low-lying southwestern Utah, bridges providing main access to the towns of Green Valley and Bloomington remained washed out, but phones, water, power and sewer service had been restored by Saturday.

More than 3 inches of rain fell in the Los Angeles area Saturday, bringing the season's total to nearly 17 inches — 7 more than normal.

In Ventura County, north of Los Angeles, sheriff's officers said Dorothy Thompson, 27, of Simi Valley, was walking in Box Canyon Saturday when she slipped into a drainage ditch, hit her head and drowned.

Marion Shirley, 60, died when a mud slide hit her house in the exclusive Mandeville Canyon area of Los Angeles. Her badly injured husband, Richard, was rescued by two police officers who rode to the top of a hill on a bulldozer.

Byron Cox, 11, was reported missing near a rain-swollen creek in the San Dimas area east of Los Angeles.

Josh Patlak, 21, of Malibu was rescued early Sunday from the Pacific Ocean where he spent the night after riding a log down Malibu Creek. He was wearing a wet suit and poncho.

At least five traffic deaths since Thursday were blamed on the storms.

Hundreds of people took refuge Saturday in seven Red Cross evacuation shelters set up in the Los Angeles area. In San Bernardino, a 3½-square-mile area was evacuated when muddy water began cresting the Harrison Dam, but the dam was holding Sunday, said Fire Department spokesman Jim Knight.

Telephone and power outages were widespread. In one incident, telephone service was lost to several thousand homes when an out-of-control vehicle sheared off a telephone pole.

In Phoenix, Babbitt said that despite the improved condition of the Salt River, water would continue to flow down the normally dry riverbed through at least the middle of the week.

But Salt River Project officials said the runoff on the upper reaches of the churning Salt and Verde rivers was less than the quantity of water surging out of the irrigation control dams that fed the Salt as it surged through the center of Phoenix.

Engineers said there had been no problems at Stewart Mountain Dam, where deterioration of concrete over several years had led to concern as to whether it could withstand the onslaught.

Note: It is interesting to see how my "world psi-force attack on power (electric, etc.) is working, with the aid of 4 giant UFOs and the Egyptian power. The attack will create any condition or situation necessary to knock out the power anywhere in the world. Right now it seems to be using weather in the U.S. to knock out power. Especially note other newsclips describing lightning knocking out power in the same area twice in one day !!

Owens

Rains continue to carve up Southwest

By DAVID L. LANGFORD
of The Associated Press

A deluge in its sixth day carved away more California hillsides and left thousands homeless at an inundated Navy base Monday as "one storm right after the other" rolled in from the Pacific.

The fifth in the series of Pacific storms was expected to strike the already saturated area during the night, and a sixth was due late Tuesday or early Wednesday, the National Weather Service said.

The death toll climbed to at least 24 in the rainstorms that began last week. The victims included 18 in California, three in Arizona and three American tourists swept away by floodwaters in Tijuana, Mexico, just across the border. One person was missing in Arizona after being swept from a raft on a flooded creek.

By Monday night, the season's rainfall in Los Angeles had reached 19.33 inches, 9.8 inches above normal for this time of year.

Among the latest victims were two Burbank area residents who were killed when a light plane crashed during a storm Sunday night in the San Gabriel Mountains north of Saugus, Calif. Two other persons were seriously injured in the crash.

With dams across the Southwest brim full, there was no let-up in the relentless rainstorms in Southern California, where mud slides and high water have caused millions of dollars in damage.

"There's one storm right after the other," said weather service forecaster Al Bascomb. "There's so many I can't keep track."

Lt. Gov. Mike Curb said he would sign emergency proclamations Tuesday declaring Los Angeles, Orange and Riverside counties disaster areas.

Curb made the announcement after he had been contacted by Gov. Edmund G. Brown's office urging him to declare disaster areas for the three Southern California counties.

About 3,000 people were evacuated for the second time in less than 24 hours Monday when more than 550 homes were inundated with up to 5 feet of mud and water at Point Mugu Naval Air Station, a missile weapons test center about 60 miles north of Los Angeles.

"Some people were just beginning to return to their homes about midnight when a sailor trying to tow a vehicle from a ditch along the highway yelled over the radio, 'Here it comes again,' " said base spokesman Ray Lucasey.

The wall of water left two-thirds of the houses on the base awash and flooded the base chapel, gymnasium and even some higher-elevation barracks "within a few minutes," Lucasey said.

"Hundreds of sailors have been going back and forth all night in water up to their necks bringing people and belongings out of the flooded housing," Lucasey said.

Hollywood divorce attorney Marvin Mitchelson saw his home in Hollywood Hills left perched precariously on the edge of a cliff created when the wet hillside gave way and flattened another house down the hill.

Actor Andy Griffith fell from the roof of his North Hollywood home Sunday as he was trying to cover it with plastic during the rain. Griffith broke a bone in his lower back and will be in the hospital about a week, said Richard Linke, Griffith's personal manager.

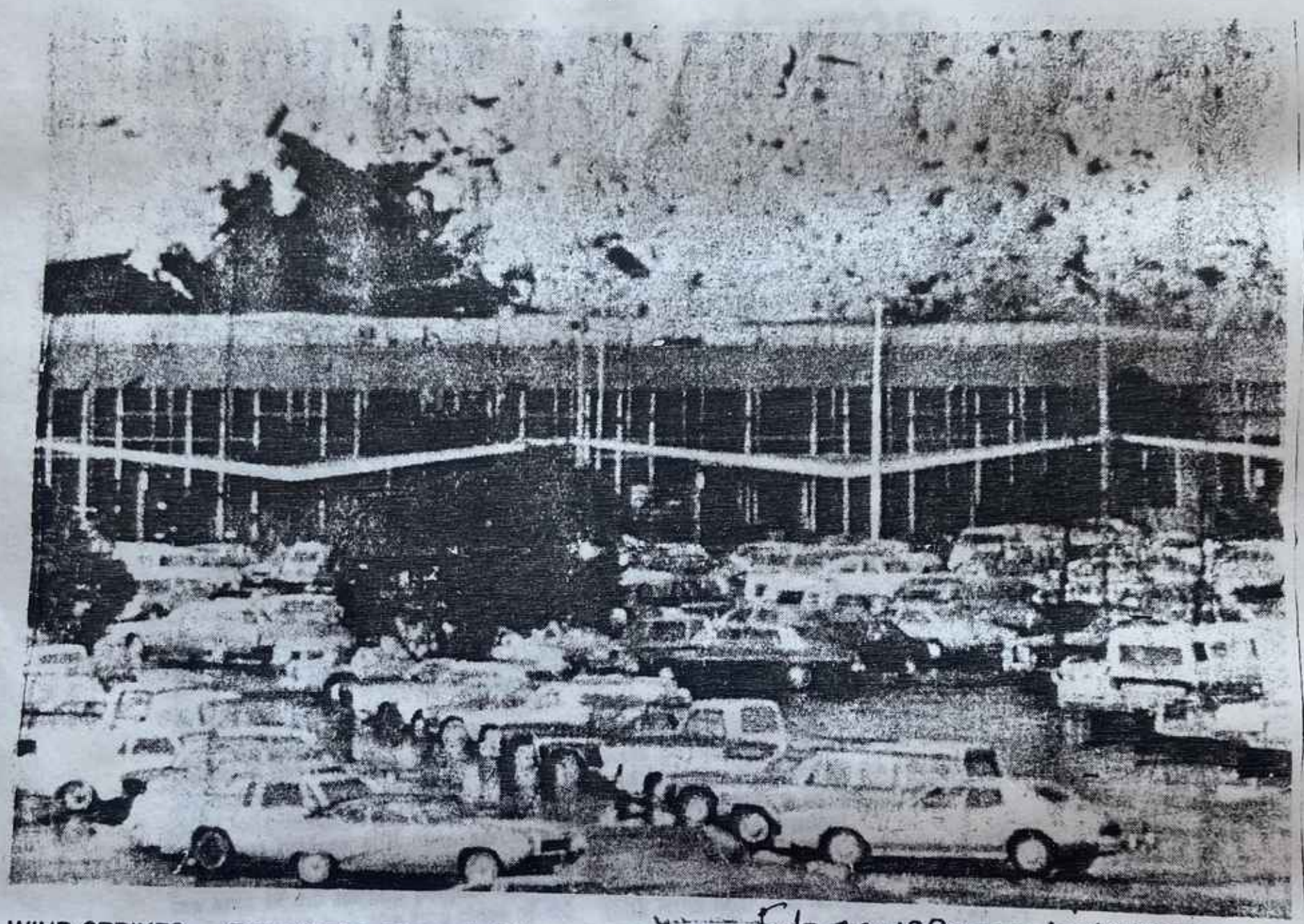
At Phoenix, renewed evacuations were urged Monday night as a new flood described as potentially worse than one over the weekend headed down the normally dry Salt River. The river became a raging torrent in its 20-mile run through the metropolitan area of 1.5 million people over the weekend and only three of the city's 10 bridges were open Monday.

Flash flood watches were issued for all of southern and western Arizona, and a flash flood warning was issued for Oak Creek Canyon, a scenic area south of Flagstaff.

About 400 homes in the Phoenix area were damaged in flooding, along with hundreds of streets and bridges. Damage to public property alone was estimated at $30 million. No estimate of private property damage was available.

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– World Power Out –



WIND STRIKES — Tornado rips off most of the roof at Fresno Air Terminal Tuesday. The photographer, Pete

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NETS 123, CLIPPERS 113 — George Johnson scored a season-high 22 points and pulled down 16 rebounds, leading New Jersey to the win at San Diego.

New Jersey's Mike Newlin had a game-high 25 points and Cliff Robinson added 21 for the Nets, who had few problems in sending the stumbling Clippers down to their fourth straight loss and their 11th setback in 13 games.

The game was delayed twice for a total of 49 minutes at the start because of a power outage and at halftime because of a leak in the San Diego Sports Arena roof.

The start of the contest was delayed by nine minutes and the beginning of the second half was held up another 40 minutes because of the problems.

Power outages were reported in several parts of San Diego County because of heavy rain in the area.

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New storms punch California;

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By DAVID L. LANGFORD
of The Associated Press Feb. 20, 1980

damage set at $100 million

Mud slides and flooding spread further across Southern California on Tuesday, where a week of storms had already dumped a foot of rain and caused $100 million damage.

With at least 19 persons dead in California, thousands homeless and dams overflowing in some parts of the state, rain fell relentlessly for a seventh day. The National Guard was on alert and more rain into Wednesday was forecast as the sixth in the weeklong series of storms moved in off the ocean.

Floods from the same storm system continued to take their toll in Utah and Arizona.

In Phoenix, long traffic jams developed when another bridge was closed across the flood-swollen Salt River, which splits the city down the middle. That left only two of 10 bridges open in the metropolitan area of 1.5 million people.

At Fresno, Calif., a tornado skipped across the runways of the Fresno Air Terminal, Tuesday afternoon, shattering glass and tearing roofing from the terminal. One person was struck in the eye by flying glass.

As the twister hit, passengers were boarding a United Airlines flight for San Francisco. One engine on the jet was damaged and tne flight was can-

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ort a presidential campaign
swing in New England to return home and declare four more counties disaster areas, including Los Angeles County.

In Arizona, Gov. Bruce Babbitt asked President Carter Monday night to declare much of central Arizona a disaster area.

Brown, who said his own home in Laurel Canyon was "like a swimming pool" on the inside, estimated the damage in his state at $100 million.

Fashionable homes were sliding down hillsides giving way in the rain. Roads were blocked, travelers stranded.

California authorities said 760 homes had been damaged, with 27 destroyed, most of them in Los Angeles County.

At least 4,500 persons had been evacuated or warned to leave.

Homes in the exclusive seaside area of Malibu were threatened by oozing mud and erosion from heavy surf, which sent one house toppling into the ocean Sunday.

"The mud is up to the window sills of one house," said Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy Mike Santander.

A cloudburst at dawn brought down part of a hill in Stone Canyon, above the San Fernando Valley, seriously damaging four homes and forcing the evacuation of 50 families.

"If the rain keeps coming, the hill will keep coming," said Pat Connelley at the Los Angeles Emergency control Cent

— Note: I PK'd this game on TV. Owens.

Blazers wilt under pressure

By BART WRIGHT
of The Oregonian staff

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NEW YORK - Fundamentally speaking, the Portland Trail Blazers discovered yet another way to make life on the road miserable Tuesday at Madison Square Garden when the bottom dropped out of the offense in the third quarter and precipitated a 113-103 loss to the New York Knicks.

The win gave New York a 2-0 sweep of it's abbreviated season series with Portland, and the final result was a near carbon copy of the Knicks' 111-103 triumph over the Blazers at Memorial Coliseum in December. The loss dropped the Blazers' road record to 8-23 this season — they've lost 20 of their last 22 away from home -- and bumped them back to six games under .500 (28-34) in what once seemed like a race with San Diego for the sixth and last Western Conference playoff spot.

Tuesday's outcome could be summarized as a case of the DNPs in the second half - Did Not Perform.

Portland held it's own on the boards in the first half and led 51-50 at intermission, but the Knicks came out attacking in the second half and worked the ball inside to rookie center Bill Cartwright, who muscled for 14 of his 20 points in the final two quarters to further diminish the Blazers' fading playoff hopes.

"No, it wasn't a letdown. It was a fundamental matter of ball handling and rebounding," said Portland Coach Jack Ramsay of his team's second-half swoon. "It was nothing more than the lack of fundamental execution. We did not handle the ball well and we did not rebound well. It's as simple as that."

The most blatant turning point came late in the third quarter after T.R. Dunn scored on a baseline layup and Dave Twardzik converted a technical foul shot charged against New York's Mike Glenn, giving the Blazers a 75-70 lead with 3:07 left.

At that point, Knicks guard Michael "Sugar" Ray Richardson twice stripped Portland's guards near midcourt and turned both steals into layups — one on an assist to Ray Williams — and suddenly the Knicks were off and running. Cartwright had six points in the last three minutes of the third quarter as New York went on a 12-0 streak and took an 82-75 lead into the fourth quarter.

Portland made a brief rush and closed to within six at 87-81 on Tom Owens' short hook with 10:17 to play, but over the next eight minutes the Blazers managed just three field goals. By the time Kermit Washington slammed one through with 1:57 left, it was 108-96 and the Blazers had turned belly up.

Richardson, who leads the National Basketball Association in both assists and steals, turned in a virtuoso performance with a game-high 26 points, 14 assists, nine rebounds and six steals. Richardson and Williams came out trapping the Blazer guards in the third quarter and Portland soon wilted like last week's flowers.

"The trap was a surpi
good," Twardzik said of the Knicks third-quarter strategy. "Any time you can come up with the unexpected it will help your team, but part of that had to do with us not executing. I don't think it was all one or the other; it was more the combination of our failure to execute combined with their trap that meant the difference."

Abdul-Jeelani, who started his second game of the season ahead of Kermit Washington, who's still hampered with a sore hamstring, scored 12 of his 18 points in the first half. His initial reaction to the third-quarter collapse was more succinct than Twardzik's.

"It was a disastrous quarter," Jeelani said. "I don't want to put it all on the guards, because we weren't blocking out on the boards like we did in the first half. They started taking the ball off our offensive board, and when they ran off those points at the end of the third quarter, that was it."

On the injury front, Washington played 20 minutes, but admitted he was

—WORLD POWER ATTACK—

California, Arizona in path of new storms

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By DAVID L. LANGFORD
of The Associated Press

The deluge in the West routed hundreds of people from their homes in Arizona on Wednesday, and damage estimates in the region climbed to more than $350 million. Southern Californians got a brief break between storms but a new one moved in later in the day.

At least 28 people have died in accidents related to the storms in the past week, including 20 in California, one in Utah, four in Arizona and three Americans visiting Tijuana, Mexico.

A chain of five rainstorms in eight days that left fashionable California communities in muddy shambles built new floods in Phoenix, Ariz., on Wednesday. And more storms were on the way.

"The northern Pacific Ocean remains quite chaotic with a series of storms stretching from the West Coast to Japan," said a weather service bulletin in San Francisco.

More than 1,500 people fled their homes in the western suburbs of Phoenix during the night, and traffic jams 10 miles long developed at entrances to the only two bridges still open across the Salt River, which divides the metropolitan area of 1.5 million people. Normally, 10 bridges link the two sides of the city, plus several surface crossings of the normally dry riverbed.

The National Weather Service on Wednesday morning lifted a flash flood watch in Southern California for the first time since Sunday but later renewed it through Thursday morning and warned that a sixth storm was expected to blow in from the Pacific late Thursday or early Friday.

"There are several more out there," said weather forecaster Eleanor Vostee.

By late Wednesday, the storms had dropped 11.91 inches of rain on Southern California over an eight-day period, bringing the season total to 20.94 inches, more than 11 inches above normal.

It was a time for mopping up in California, where 4,000 persons had been forced to flee as oozing mud buried homes and automobiles, other houses toppled down hillsides that gave way and walls of water cascaded through the canyons.

Shortages of food and water were reported north of downtown Los Angeles in Topanga Canyon, where a 15-foot wall of water gushed through the exclusive neighborhood, flattening houses and tearing gaping holes in Topanga Canyon Boulevard.

"It looks like a war zone with huge holes in the road, cars strewn all over and people like refugees in ragtag clothes wandering around," said Ken Huff, a Topanga resident.

More than 300 elderly persons were without power for a third day in Woodland Hills near Los Angeles at the Motion Picture and Television Country House, which was hit by a 6-foot wall of water that caused more than $500,000 damage.

Tens of thousands of homes across the state also lost their electricity during the storms.



BRAZIL

— WORLD POWER OUT —

Associated Press Laserphoto

STREET AWASH — Floodwaters course through a street in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Wednesday after torrential rains swamped the industrial city of eight million, virtually cutting it in half. Waters up to six feet deep were reported with hundreds of persons forced from their homes.

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—WORLD POWER OUT—

Thousands flee

S. California flooding

Forecasters say rain to continue

By DAVID L. LANGFORD
of The Associated Press

Floodwaters gushed over the tops of overloaded dams and broke through levees Thursday across Southern California, sending thousands of people fleeing the desert resort region of Palm Springs and inundating a hotel and shopping district in San Diego.

There was new rain from the sixth in a series of Pacific storms over the past nine days. The storms have left at least 31 people dead and damage in the hundreds of millions of dollars. Officials said the threat to dams in Idaho, Arizona and Utah eased.

A seventh storm was expected to hit the California coast during the night with more on the way from the Pacific.

President Carter declared six Southern California counties national disaster areas Thursday.

Floods fed by 2 inches of rain from the latest storm cascaded off the desert mountains about 100 miles east of Los Angeles, tore through four levees and swirled through chic resort communities that are home to 9,000 people.

The entire town of San Jacinto, population 6,500, was awash.

"We haven't even had time to figure out how many square miles of desert are affected," said a spokesman for the California Department of Forestry. "The water's coming out too fast."

About 100 National Guardsmen were flown to Palm Springs to help restore order and protect against looting.

Many evacuees were taken to two emergency shelters at two high schools while the many hotels and motels in the area lowered their rates for flood victims.

"They came through with a fire truck and a loudspeaker," said Jane Hoff, who was forced out of her home a second time since Saturday. "I was scared to death."

Fire officials there said 1,300 people were evacuated when torrents of rain washing off the San Jacinto Mountains burst levees along the Palm Canyon Wash and poured into three foothill developments in Palm Springs.

Most of the residents of San Jacinto, west of Palm Springs, were being evacuated after a levee along the San Jacinto River burst, said Joanne Lee of the state Department of Forestry.

A bridge to the exclusive community of Andres Hills washed out, stranding 50 residents with no water, telephone or sewer service.

"We warned them to evacuate — twice," said Fire Department spokeswoman Julie Baumer. She said an entire block of homes in the Araby Drive area was expected to be lost to floodwaters.

Phoenix, Ariz., remained a divided city with massive traffic jams developing at the only two bridges open across the swollen Salt River. Many schools were closed.

A major sewer line under the Salt River ruptured Thursday, dumping raw sewage at the rate of 35 million gallons a day. Bruce Scott, assistant director of the state Department of Health Services, said there was little immediate problem because the sewage was being diluted by the raging river.

Tests confirmed erosion around the support piers of the Interstate 10 bridge over the Salt River in Phoenix. Arizona Transportation Department spokesman Al France said the bridge can't be reopened until the water recedes and the piers can be inspected visually. He said that would be sometime in March at the earliest.

Officials of Arizona's Salt River Project said they were releasing as much water from reservoirs as was flowing in from mountain streams, easing the threat of additional flooding downstream, and hoped to draw the reservoirs down somewhat to make room for expected additional rain.

The San Diego River — normally only a trickle — became 7 feet deep in just four hours and floods spread through Mission Valley, home of San Diego's biggest hotel and shopping district.

San Diego volunteers hunted for three teen-age brothers feared drowned after entering a fast-moving drainage ditch with rubber rafts Wednesday night.

"There's just so much mud," said Sherrie Jones, fleeing a mobile-home park in El Cajon. "Everybody's leaving for now."

Medical supplies and food were airlifted to 200 families marooned since Sunday when the Margarita River swirled around the San Diego County community of De Luz.

Eight emergency shelters were opened in San Diego. About 150 people were temporarily housed in a school in Oceanside.

In Idaho, officials evacuated about 20 families living near an 80-foot-high dam just north of the farming community of Malad. Water stopped rising in the 30-year-old earthen dam during the night, but state water resources experts said they couldn't guarantee its safety. Malad Mayor Seth Thomas said he hoped the evacuated families could return home during the night if the reservoir stabilized.

Sheriff's officials said about half the town's 1,900 residents would be in the path of floodwaters if the dam broke.

At least 23 persons have been killed in the storms in California, with four dead in Arizona, one in Utah and three in Tijuana, Mex.

Estimates of the damage from the storms, which have dumped more than a foot of rain since Feb. 13, climbed to more than $355 million, mostly in California where floods and mud slides have destroyed 110 homes and damaged another 1,350.

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9-day deluge in Southwest ends

By DAVID L. LANGFORD
of The Associated Press

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The sun finally broke through in Southern California Friday and ended a nine-day Pacific deluge that eroded hillsides and flooded cities at a cost of a half-billion dollars and at least 36 lives.

Thousands evacuated from such places as Palm Springs, San Diego and Point Mugu began returning home, many to find little left.

Bulldozers were put to work, moving tons of mud that descended on entire neighborhoods when six successive storms chewed away fire-denuded hillsides and ripped open levees holding back floodwaters.

Water was still rushing down normally dry runs in the desert resort region of Palm Springs, and authorities said there was some concern that melting snow in the mountains may cause more flooding. But for the time being, the skies were clearing.

"I've never been so happy in my life to see the sun shine," said Palm Springs Mayor Russ Beirich.

Workers shoring up dams in Arizona and Utah also got a break when the rains slackened.

But the 1.5 million residents of the Phoenix, Ariz., area divided by the flooding Salt River, faced more trouble. A 5-foot-wide sewer main severed by the flood was dumping 35 million gallons of raw sewage a day into the river, and authorities said they can't stop it until the waters recede.

In Borrego Springs in northeast San Diego County, where many homes were already full of mud, residents were jostled awake just before dawn Friday by two small earthquakes that measured 3.9 and 3.3 on the Richter scale. No quake damage was reported.

Heavy runoff from desert mountains was still cascading over the tops of dams in Riverside County, about 60 miles east of Los Angeles, and flooding from the Jacinto River forced the California Highway Patrol to close all but one lane of Interstate 15 near Perris.

But the National Weather Service said clear skies should last for at least the next few days.

Of the 36 deaths blamed on the Pacific storms that began Feb. 13, 28 were in California, four in Arizona, one in Utah and three in Tijuana, Mexico. In addition, three youths were missing and presumed drowned in El Cajon near San Diego, where they tried rafting in a flood channel.

At weather service offices in Los Angeles, supervising forecaster Bill Sullivan said the series of back-to-back storms was "something we haven't seen before."

"We've had other patterns like this, with the jet stream and the storm track moving far to the south of their normal wintertime tracks, but never a pattern that lasted so long."

While city workers were moving caskets that floated to the surface in cemeteries in the Los Angeles area, engineers brought in bulldozers to rebuild levees and scrape mud off streets from Point Mugu to San Diego.

"A lot of families are coming back today to sweep the mud out of their houses and dry out their furniture," said Marjorie Flood, a spokeswoman for Point Mugu Naval Air Station, where 550 houses were inundated with 6 feet of water and 3,000 residents were evacuated earlier this week.

In San Diego, flooded hotels and shopping centers in fashionable Mission Valley were reopening. Many of the hotels had to be evacuated Thursday.

More than 7,000 people — some plucked from the water by helicopter — had fled their homes Thursday in Riverside County, which stretches to the Arizona border.

California officials earlier estimated the damage in the state at $425 million and predicted "it will go much, much higher." Officials in Arizona said losses there were at least $90 million.

WORLD POWER OUT

No Radiation Escapes; Condition Stable

Leak Shuts Crystal River Nuke Plant

Miami Herald Feb. 2, 1982

From Herald Staff and Wire Reports

More than 40,000 gallons of radioactive water leaked into the reactor building following a sudden loss of power at Florida Power Corporation's Crystal River nuclear power plant Tuesday, forcing a shutdown and emergency evacuation of some workers.

Authorities said no radiation escaped from the plant, located on the Gulf Coast 70 miles north of Tampa, but the shutdown triggered blackouts in scattered sections of Florida Power's 32-county service area.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) hurried a team of investigators to the plant by charter jet. NRC reported Tuesday night that the plant was in stable condition and that radiation levels inside had subsided.

"The event is over," said Hugh Dance, section chief in NRC's regional division of operating reactors. "The company is going to have to clean things up and determine what was the cause, but their evacuation was very precautionary."

Radiation levels inside reached as high as 50 rems — about 10 times the allowable level of human exposure for a year — soon after the mishap occurred at 2:25 p.m., but it declined rapidly as radioactive materials released with the water decayed. Six hundred rems would be instantly fatal to humans.

By nightfall, Dance said, radiation levels had dropped to near zero.

"There was no damage to the reactor, no damage to the fuel rods and no radiation released anywhere," company spokesman Bob South said. "There was nothing disturbed in the plant. There was no core meltdown or anything like that."

But South added, "There are 43,000 gallons of water in the bottom of the containment building." He said technicians had to "drain it out normally and wait for the evaporation process." He indicated that the water had low radioactivity.

The unit supplies nearly 20 per cent of Florida Power's electricity to 725,000 customers. A company spokesman said no problems were anticipated and that power would be purchased from other utilities in the Florida network.

But Florida Power, a St. Petersburg-based company, sponsored television spots Tuesday,

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"Mysterious" power failure at Florida nuclear power plant. Over

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All Clear at Crystal River; Failure's Cause a Mystery

Miami Herald Feb 28 1982

From wire services

CRYSTAL RIVER — A mysterious electronic failure and a series of power system that didn't work for seven minutes apparently caused the Crystal River nuclear power plant, officials said Wednesday.

The explanation by Florida Power Corp. and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) emerged as a 21-man team tried to track the cause of the automatic emergency shutdown at 2:40 p.m. Tuesday. It was an electronic failure of some type, said James P. O'Reilly, NRC's division director from Atlanta. "It could have been a switch or something in a small console."



WORLD POWER OUT

N-leak disputed

NEW DELHI (India) (AP) — A nuclear power plant leak last week might have caused a major nuclear accident. If part of the plant had not already been shut down for a test, the Press Trust of India quoted an informed source as saying over the weekend. But the government's atomic energy department was quoted as calling the leaks "insignificant."

The agency said the Department of Atomic Energy confirmed the leaks in coolant pipes at the Tarapur facility, about 100 miles north of Bombay on the Arabian Sea coast.

There would have been the possibility of the nuclear fuel core melting down and radioactive water flooding the plant, the unidentified sources were quoted as saying.

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① Note "mysterious" power failure at Florida nuclear power plant. Any further news with regard to "mysterious" only because they do not want word to get out that Ted Turner is doing so well with his Superstations.

FBI probes 3 mysterious reactor shutdowns

ATHENS, Ala. (AP) — A reactor at the nation's largest nuclear plant was mysteriously shut down three times in one week, prompting the suspension of eight employees and an investigation by the FBI.

The shutdowns occurred last month at one of three reactors at the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, owned by the Tennessee Valley Authority. Officials would not say whether the incidents were believed to be deliberate.

John Schlatter, a TVA spokesman at the agency's headquarters in Knoxville, Tenn., said the shutdowns posed no danger to the public.

The first shutdown occurred Feb. 10 as the Unit Two turbine was wheeling through its million-kilowatt peak. The reactor turned itself off again Feb. 12 and 15.

After the second two shutdowns, or "trips," the reactor was restarted within hours. But when engineers ordered a planned trip on the third occasion, operations halted until the cause was determined.

The unit went back on line March 3, although no operational reason for the shutdowns could be found.

Schlatter said the eight plant employees were suspended for the duration of the investigation. He would not identify the employees or say what type of work they performed.

"I can't tell you what they are," he said, "but I can tell you what they aren't. They aren't operators, they aren't control room employees.

"A shutdown of that type is not all that rare," Schlatter said. "It happens at all nuclear plants for a variety of reasons. Sometimes there will be a faulty electrical signal, for example."

In Birmingham, FBI agent Joe Ross said two investigators had been assigned to the case to determine whether federal laws were violated.

The government-owned TVA, a seven-state utility that operates Browns Ferry and six other nuclear power plants, also disclosed what it termed minor security breaches at the Alabama site and at two others in Tennessee.

In late January, a clerical employee who habitually carries a pistol in her purse took the weapon into the Browns Ferry facility by accident. Weapons are not allowed inside. When she discovered the mistake, she turned herself in and was not suspended.

An employee at the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant near Chattanooga, Tenn., drew a suspension of undisclosed length Wednesday for taking, without permission, photographs of test-fuel loading.

The FBI and TVA also are investigating the theft of such construction materials as copper tubing from the agency's Hartsville, Tenn., nuclear plant construction site, about 40 miles north of Nashville.

The Browns Ferry plant has had other difficulties in the past. A dangerous wiring fire, caused by an inspector using a candle to check for drafts, closed the plant in 1975. In late 1977 a worker dropped a rubber galosh in the reactor vessel of Unit One, extending a maintenance shutdown.

TVA serves most of Tennessee and portions of Kentucky, Alabama, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia and Mississippi.

— WORLD POWER OUT —

Snowstorm buries Indiana, surprises Virginias

By DAVID L. LANGFORD
of The Associated Press

Oregonian Feb. 27, 1980

A blinding snowstorm that stranded hundreds of school children and motorists across the Midwest surprised the Virginias with almost a foot of snow Tuesday that put an end to shirtsleeve weather.

At least six persons were killed in Indiana as the storm blitzed that state with winds of 50 mph and snow up to 8 inches deep by Tuesday. The dead included a 17-year-old youth who was riding a makeshift sled towed by an automobile and three men who suffered heart attacks while shoveling snow.

About 600 pupils were forced to spend the night in two schools in Wabash County, Ind., because buses were unable to reach them. About 400 motorists took refuge in National Guard armories in three towns along Interstate 65 in Jasper County.

"I'm not going to let them out," 1st Sgt. Eugene Percy said at the armory in Remington Monday night. "Cars are scattered everywhere. It would be almost a catastrophe to let them go tonight."

Snow fell Tuesday from the upper Ohio Valley to the southern Appalachians as well as across portions of the mid-Atlantic states and western New York. Gale warnings covered much of the New England coast, and gusts of 40 mph were recorded in the Carolinas.

Meanwhile, residents of California and Arizona had another day of sunshine while digging out of the mud and muck of last week's deluge which left 36 people dead and a half-billion dollars in damage.

But it will be days before the two states are back to normal and the scope of the losses is known.

Phoenix, Ariz., remained a divided city with only two of the ten bridges open across the Salt River.

The New Mexico National Guard was airlifting food and livestock to some 6,000 families stranded by 10 days of snows and floods on the Navajo reservation near Window Rock, Ariz.

Chester Yazzle, director of the tribe's emergency committee, said he has been unable to determine just how many people are isolated because of the poor communications and lack of paved roads on the reservation, but he estimated the number at 6,000 families.

In the suburban community of Solana Beach, Calif., near San Diego, 6,000 homes and businesses have been without telephones since floods cut underwater cables last Thursday. Officials say it will be Friday before service is resumed.

"It's a disaster," said Don Klatt, a Solana Beach pharmacist whose business is off 75 percent. "Doctors can't call in their prescriptions. People can't call in reorders. We're sending a delivery boy around to our regular customers to see if they're OK."

Local banks are refusing to cash out-of-town checks because they can't confirm they are good, and travel agents say their business has been "devastated."

In the East, 18 central and eastern Illinois counties were declared snow emergency areas by Gov. James R. Thompson.

Schools were closed in several counties in West Virginia. The National Weather Service said Pickens got 11 inches of snow and 4 to 8 inches fell across much of Logan County.

Note: Parallel between this reporting Yesterday's Oregonian!

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Power Outage Ignites Spark In Prison

— WORLD POWER OUT —

CHINO, Calif. — (AP) — Several hundred convicts in five units at the California Institution for Men vandalized their dormitories because they had no television and had to eat cold lunches during long power outages, a prison spokesman said Saturday.

When a lightning bolt knocked out electricity at the medium-security prison Friday night for the second time in the day, many of the 375 prisoners in five open dormitories began a fire-setting, furniture-breaking, soap-throwing frenzy that lasted until 2:30 a.m., said spokesman Marvin Ryer.

No one was injured, and there was no damage estimate, he said.

"Basically, they tore up plumbing and busted windows. It was vandalism, like kids who go in and bust schools," Ryer said. "Lightning had caused the electricity to go out at 10 a.m. and it was out all day until about 5 p.m. Then it went out again at 6:30. They were fed sack lunches at dinnertime instead of a hot meal. And they had no TV. You don't turn off people's TV nowadays."

The convicts from the five damaged housing units were moved to an overcrowded central facility Saturday and bedded down in the gym and television room. Ryer said that situation cannot last for long, but, since other state prison facilities are overcrowded, the convicts can't be bused elsewhere immediately.

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Erving, Hollins bad news for rookie Natt, Blazers

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Julius Erving stole a pass out of Calvin Natt's hands with 28 seconds left and fed Maurice Cheeks for the layup that gave the Philadelphia 76ers a 98-96 win over the Portland Trail Blazers Tuesday night at Memorial Coliseum.

Erving, who in a do-everything night scored 29 points including a twisting jumper with 43 seconds left to tie the game at 96, grabbed a Natt miss with six seconds to play to clinch the Philly win.

Lionel Hollins, making his return to Portland in a Sixers' uniform, looked every bit like a $325,000-a-year guard, scoring 25 points.

The Blazers came from behind 80-73 to score eight straight points and take an 81-80 lead in the fourth quarter. It see-sawed the rest of the way before Tom Owens gave the Blazers their last advantage with a jumper over Caldwell Jones that made it 96-94 with 55 seconds to go.

Natt led Portland with 23 and Owens added 17.

Despite the loss, the Blazers remained a half-game ahead of San Diego in the struggle for the Western Conference's last playoff spot. The Clippers lost 122-88 at Milwaukee.

The Sixers built a first-quarter lead but lost it by halftime as the Blazers rallied for a 51-51 tie.

Hollins, who had 16 first-half points, scored at 9:05 of the second quarter to give Philadelphia a 41-26 lead. But he left the game and the bottom fell out for Philadelphia.

The Blazers' lack of offense was igniting the Sixers' fastbreak. But Hollins took the Philadelphia defense to the bench with him and the Sixer running game turned into an ineffective walking game.

The Blazers outscored Philadelphia 25-10 through the rest of the half. Bob Gross and Owens had eight points each in the run.

Philadelphia started the game as if it wanted to prove to the world it could win in Portland. The Sixers haven't done that in four years. The Blazers got only one field goal from their offense in the first seven minutes of the game and Philadelphia went on a 15-1 tear to take a 23-8 lead.

But T.R. Dunn, Jim Brewer and Gross gave the Blazers a boost off the bench. Then Owens and Abdul Jeelani combined with Gross to pull Portland even.

Portland plays its second of four straight home games Friday against Utah.

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FLORIDA

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Florida reactor shuts off

Feb. 27, 1980

By IKE FLORES

CRYSTAL RIVER, Fla. (AP) — A nuclear power plant reactor shut down automatically Tuesday when its instruments and control systems lost power. Some radioactive water spilled inside the plant when an emergency cooling system switched on, according to officials of Florida Power Corp.

No radioactive material leaked outside the Crystal River No. 3 plant, and the public was not endangered, the utility and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission said.

"There was no damage to the reactor, no damage to the fuel rods, and no radiation released anywhere," company spokesman Bob South said late Tuesday at a briefing outside the plant, located 60 miles north of Tampa.

"There was nothing disturbed in the plant," he continued. "There was no core meltdown or anything like that."

South added, however, "There are 43,000 gallons of water in the bottom of the containment building." He said technicians had to "drain it out normally and wait for the evaporation process."

He indicated the water was not very radioactive.

Some "non-essential personnel" and others not directly working with the reactor were asked to leave the plant, South said, but others remained on the job.

South said a safety valve called an RCV-8 overloaded and let excess cooling water flow into a tank. The water then ruptured a pressure relief disc and poured onto the floor of the containment building, he said.

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Instrument failure shut N-reactor

Feb. 28, 1980

CRYSTAL RIVER, Fla. (AP) — An electronic breakdown in central control room instruments — and a seven-minute failure of a backup power system — combined to shut down the Crystal River nuclear power plant in a flood of radioactive water, officials said Wednesday.

The explanation by Florida Power Corp. and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission emerged as a 21-man NRC team tried to figure out what caused the instrument failure that threw the plant into the emergency shutdown Tuesday afternoon.

"It was an electronic failure of some type," said James P. O'Reilly, the NRC's division director from Atlanta. "It could have been a switch or something in a small console."

He said it would be at least a week before the plant could be restarted.

Also at the plant was a representative of Babcock & Wilcox, designer of portions of both Crystal River and the Three Mile Island plant near Harrisburg, Pa.

A shutdown at Three Mile Island in March 1979 severely damaged the core of a nuclear reactor and led to the temporary evacuation of 50,000 area residents.

Florida Power officials said the incident here was not similar to Three Mile Island. But they said lessons learned from that accident were valuable in preventing more serious trouble.

As O'Reilly and utility officials briefed reporters at the Gulf Coast site 60 miles north of Tampa, the reactor's containment building was awash in 43,000 gallons of water. The water — highly radioactive at one point — gushed onto the building's floor when automatic devices sensed a loss of controls about 2:40 p.m. Tuesday.

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Nuclear mishap no 'close call'

Feb. 28, 1980

By TOM RAUM

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Nuclear Regulatory Commission told Congress Wednesday that the mishap at a Florida nuclear power plant isn't likely to affect its intention to resume licensing of new plants.

Safety systems at the Crystal River plant worked as planned after Tuesday's accident, and damage to the plant is limited to the accumulation of 43,000 gallons of radioactive water in the reactor containment structure, commissioners told a Senate Appropriations subcommittee on energy.

"Was it a close call?" asked Sen. Bennett Johnston D-La., chairman of the subcommittee.

"It was not," testifed Victor Stello, NRC director of inspection and enforcment.

And NRC Chairman John F. Ahearne told the panel that "All indications we have are that there's no fuel failure or anything like that."

The Florida plant was built by Babcock & Wilcox — the same firm that built the Three Mile Island reactor — but Ahearne said he saw little similarity between the two accidents.

He said 43,000 gallons "is not an unusual amount of radioactive water to have on the floor of the containment structure and that similar amounts spill at other nuclear plants about once a year.

Ahearne was asked if the mishap alters the commission's plans, announced on Tuesday, to soon end its self-imposed pause on licensing new plants — a moratorium prompted by the Three Mile Island accident 1 months ago.

"As far as I can see now, it wouldn't have any effect," Ahearne testified.

However, NRC Commissioner Victor Gilinksy added: "It does remind you that one needs to be careful."

Ahearne noted that the mishap at the plant on Florida's Gulf Coast did give nuclear regulators a few anxious moments — largely from what he said were incorrect initial readings suggesting pressures inside the reactor containment were far higher than they actually were.

Note:
Four nuclear power reactors knocked out within 2 days!!!...

- Owens

— WORLD POWER OUT —

WASHINGTON

High-level radioactivity seeps into Hanford soil

Oregonian Feb. 27, 1980 --WORLD POWER OUT—

RICHLAND, Wash. (AP) — About 500 gallons of high-level radioactive waste leaked from an underground pipe Tuesday morning at the Hanford nuclear reservation, contaminating 200 square feet of earth.

A 10-by-20-foot surface area was immediately roped off, and a covering of fresh earth several inches deep was spread over the spot, said Hal Lindberg, a spokesman for Rockwell Hanford.

Lindberg said no personnel were contaminated or overexposed to the radiation and that there was no air contamination.

The water that spilled from the pipe was high-level waste from the reprocessing of reactor fuels from production reactors. It was being pumped into an evaporator for solidification.

An evaporator is used to turn high-level radioactive liquid waste into a solid mass for disposal. The evaporator was shut down indefinitely as a result of the accident, Lindberg said.

"There has been no hazard to personnel or to the air from this incident because of prompt detection and action taken to stabilize the contaminated soil with earth cover," he added.

Rockwell Hanford operations officials say the leak resulted when the pipe leading to the waste evaporator failed.

But Lindberg noted: "We're going to have to wait until we can get back into the contaminated area to figure out what went wrong. It may have been a weld failure."

Instruments detected the radiation, and the line was shut off, officials said.

Lindberg said: "People are occasionally in the tank farm area where we have these lines. There wasn't anybody in that particular area at the time."

Workers in heavy anti-contamination coveralls, footwear, gloves and headgear moved across the area after the spill was detected, helping spread fresh earth to stabilize the contamination.

Eventually, the contaminated earth will be hauled to a burial site on the reservation, Lindberg said.

The accident site is at about the center of the 570-square-mile reservation in southeastern Washington, about 33 miles from Richland, the nearest community.

WISCONSIN

— WORLD POWER OUT —

Leak halts nuclear unit

FEB. 29, 1980

TWO RIVERS, (Wis.) (AP) — The Wisconsin Electric Power Co. took its Point Beach Unit 2 nuclear facility out of service Thursday following a leak in a steam generator.

The Milwaukee-based utility said there was no uncontrolled release of radiation and no danger to the public or plant employees.

Unit 1, the other unit at the power complex, continued in operation.

(Oregonian)

SPAIN

Oregonian Feb. 28, 1980

N-plant closed

BURGOS, (Spain) (AP) — Operators of the Santa Maria de Garone nuclear power plant in north central Spain announced Wednesday they had closed the facility after a leak was discovered in its primary water circuit.

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February 29, 1980

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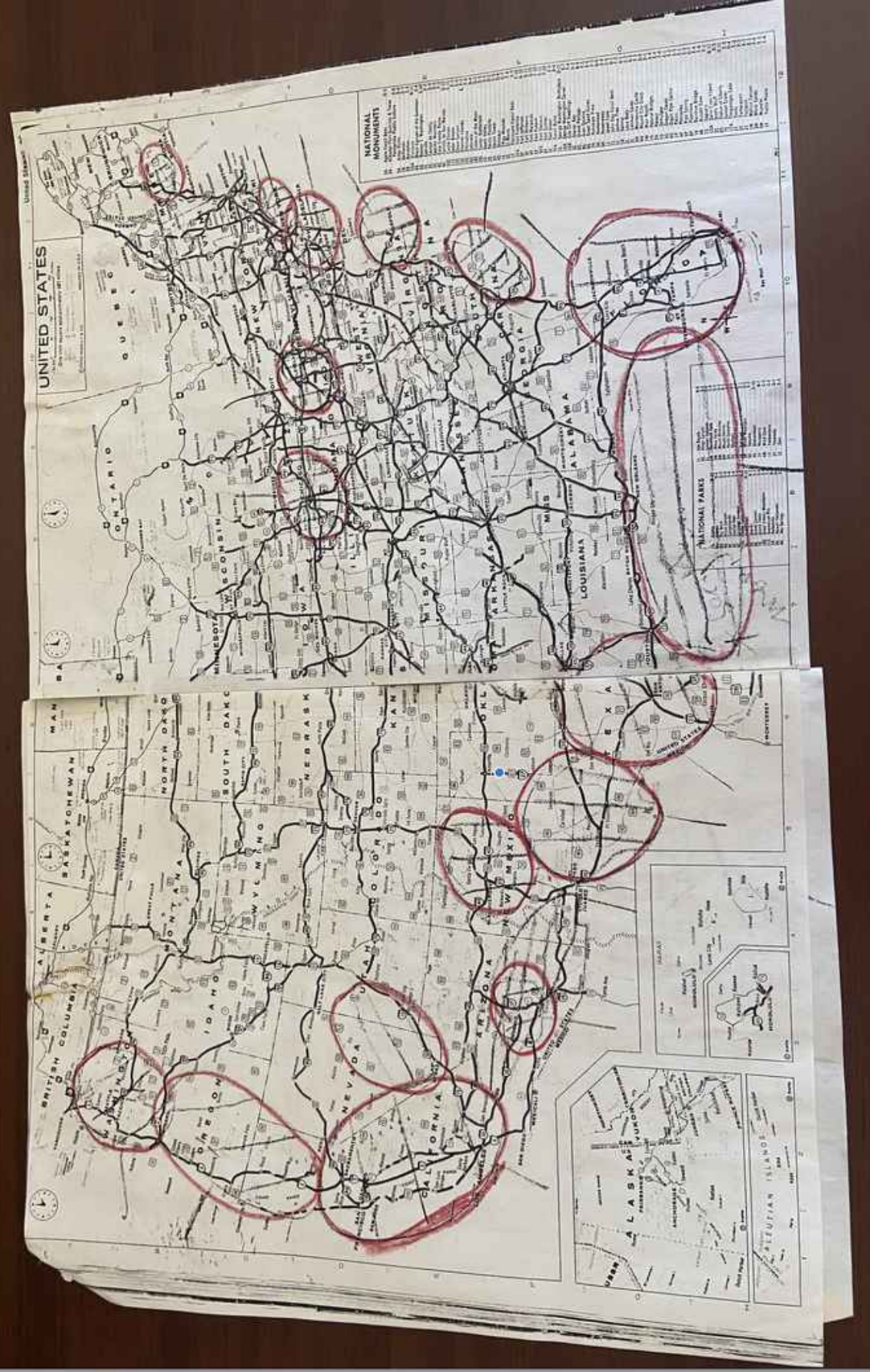
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Two Slayings Push January's Toll to 31

By EDNA BUCHANAN
Herald Staff Writer

The shooting of a young man whose body was dumped in Coconut Grove and a revenge killing at a convenience store pushed Dade County's murder count Saturday to 31 in the first 26 days of the year.

Blase passersby ignored the corpse, clad in punk-rock regalia, for hours Saturday morning, Miami police said.

Dressed all in black, with a red tie and wearing scores of safety pins, medallions, chains and rock-concert buttons on his jacket, he lay face-down in front of an abandoned house at 3120 Bird Ave. He wore four earrings in his left ear.

The victim was identified by police as Ramon Williams Zuloago Colmenares, 20. From Venezuela, he had been an aviation student at a Dade County flight school, police said.

"IT LOOKS like a punk-rock disco outfit," said Miami Homicide Sgt. Ernest Vivian. "He looked like he could have danced all night — but somebody shot him first."

Police hope to find someone who saw Zuloago Friday night.

They believe he was shot early Saturday. The house where he was dumped has been abandoned and locked for a month and a half, said Homicide Detective Richard Bohan. Police have no suspects.

An arrest was made Saturday in the year's 30th homicide.

Ruben Mercado, 22, is charged with first-degree murder and gun charges.

Mercado and his brother, Marcus got into a fistfight Friday with Delroy Murray, of 400 NE 77th St., police said. During the battle, Murray pulled a knife, cut Marcus' leg and fled, according to police.

AT 8 P.M. Ruben Mercado spotted Murray at the 7-Eleven Store at 6101 NE Fourth Ct., police said, hit Murray with a stick, then pulled a .357 Magnum and shot him in the back. He died at the scene.

Meanwhile, Metro police are still seeking the killer of Ali Mohabbat, 33, slain at the Farm Store, at NW 47th Avenue and 183rd Street during a robbery Friday.

The victim's 5-year-old daughter didn't go to school Friday because it was a teacher's workday. She accompanied her father to work. She saw him killed.

As she watched, Mohabbat staggered down the street and stopped a woman passerby. He handed her a quarter, said he had been robbed and shot and asked her to go to a phone and call police.

She did and he was taken to Parkway General Hospital where he whispered to emergency room workers that was no use, he knew he was going to die.

HIS PREGNANT wife signed herself out of North Shore Hospital when she learned of her husband's death.

"She's taking it very, very hard," said Metro Homicide Detective Lloyd Hough. "We have a lot of good people working on it. I'm reasonably confident that, in time, we'll close this case."

His widow said she will take her husband's body home to their native Pakistan.

Robbery detectives have pleaded for years with Farm Store officials to install telephones in the often-robbed stores. Officials have refused. Police said the store where Mohabbat was killed has been robbed seven times so far this month.

There was no evidence that Mohabbat resisted the robbery.

"The number of senseless killings is increasing," said Miami's Sgt. Vivian.

The murder rate so far this year's has far surpassed last year, in which all existing records were broken.

Paxson may be starter for battle with Kings

By STEVE KELLEY Jan. 31, 1980
of The Oregonian staff

The Portland Trail Blazers were undefeated. There was no talk of trading Lionel Hollins. There were no hostages in Iran. Afghanistan was just a name on the map. And there was no talk of an Olympic boycott.

The date was Oct. 23, the last time the Blazers played the Kansas City Kings in Portland. They meet again at 8 p.m. Thursday in Memorial Coliseum. The last time the Kings were here, KC Coach Cotton Fitzsimmons left with some harsh words for the Trail Blazer fans.

"I'm a little disappointed in the crowd," he said after the game. "They've deteriorated into selfish people. They didn't act like they used to. I used to like them.

"I don't know why they've changed. Maybe they've been spoiled by winning, but now they get on the officials and the other team right from the start. They're on a one-way street.

"They'll probably really get on me the next time we come here. But that's the way it is."

The Blazers, 25-29, might wish that the way it is is like the way it was on Oct. 23. Instead, Portland is 9-23 since Nov. 20 and threatened with extinction in the race for a playoff berth.

The average record for the last qualifying Western Conference playoff team for the last five seasons has been 42-40. Portland will have to finish 17-11 to match that record. Even that might not be good enough this season.

One of the few bright spots in Tuesday's home loss to Milwaukee was the play of guard rookie guard Jim Paxson. He scored 13 points and dealt three assists in 26 mintutes.

Paxson may get his first National Basketball Association start Thursday. Dave Twardzik bruised his left thigh Tuesday and sat out Wednesday's Blazer practice. His status is questionable for Thursday and even if he can play, he probably won't start.

Paxson will start ahead of Hollins, who has been relegated to fourth guard since returning Jan. 16 from a bout with a severe virus.

The Blazers are high on Paxson, who has had an erratic rookie season, averaging 5.9 points and 1.7 assists in 16.6 minutes per night. He is shooting only .385 from the field.

While Paxson has risen from fifth guard to a potential starter, T.R. Dunn's playing time has evaporated.

Dunn, one of three Blazers (Kermit Washington and Ron Brewer) to have played in every game, was averaging 37 minutes a night the last time the Kings were here. But he has averaged only 14.3 minutes in his past nine games.

Dunn may be another of those growing numbers of Blazers on the trading block. The Denver Nuggets have expressed interest in him. The Nuggets desperately need a guard who isn't allergic to playing defense. In two recent games, Denver guard Charlie Scott "held" George Gervin to 53 points and Otis Birdsong to 49.

One Nugget source said Denver probably would be willing to give up either forward George Johnson or guard-forward Bob Wilkerson for Dunn. Wilkerson last week asked to be traded.

Several NBA general managers admitted Wednesday that the names of Hollins and Maurice Lucas continue to pop up in trade talks. The Sixers still are looking for a guard who can replace Clint Richardson as a starter.

Lucas missed practice again Wednesday, still suffering from bronchitis. He most likely won't play Thursday.

All things haven't changed since Oct. 23. Lucas didn't play that night either.

Note: Oct. 31st was when I declared war on the Trail Blazers! Owens.