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WILKES PRESIDENCY – HURRICANE AGNES FLOOD

POST FLOOD CAMPUS PHOTOS
(Presidents Home Pre & Post Flood)
June 30, 1972

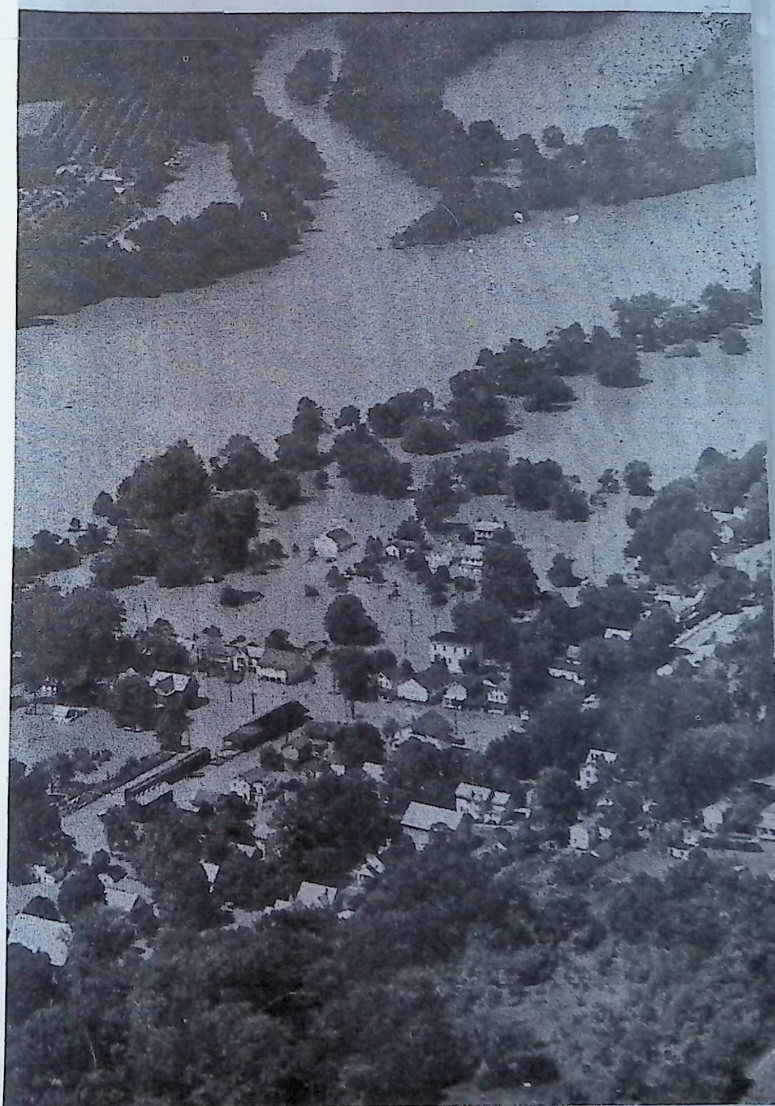




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Make a list of people, places, events and experiences that helped shape who you are.

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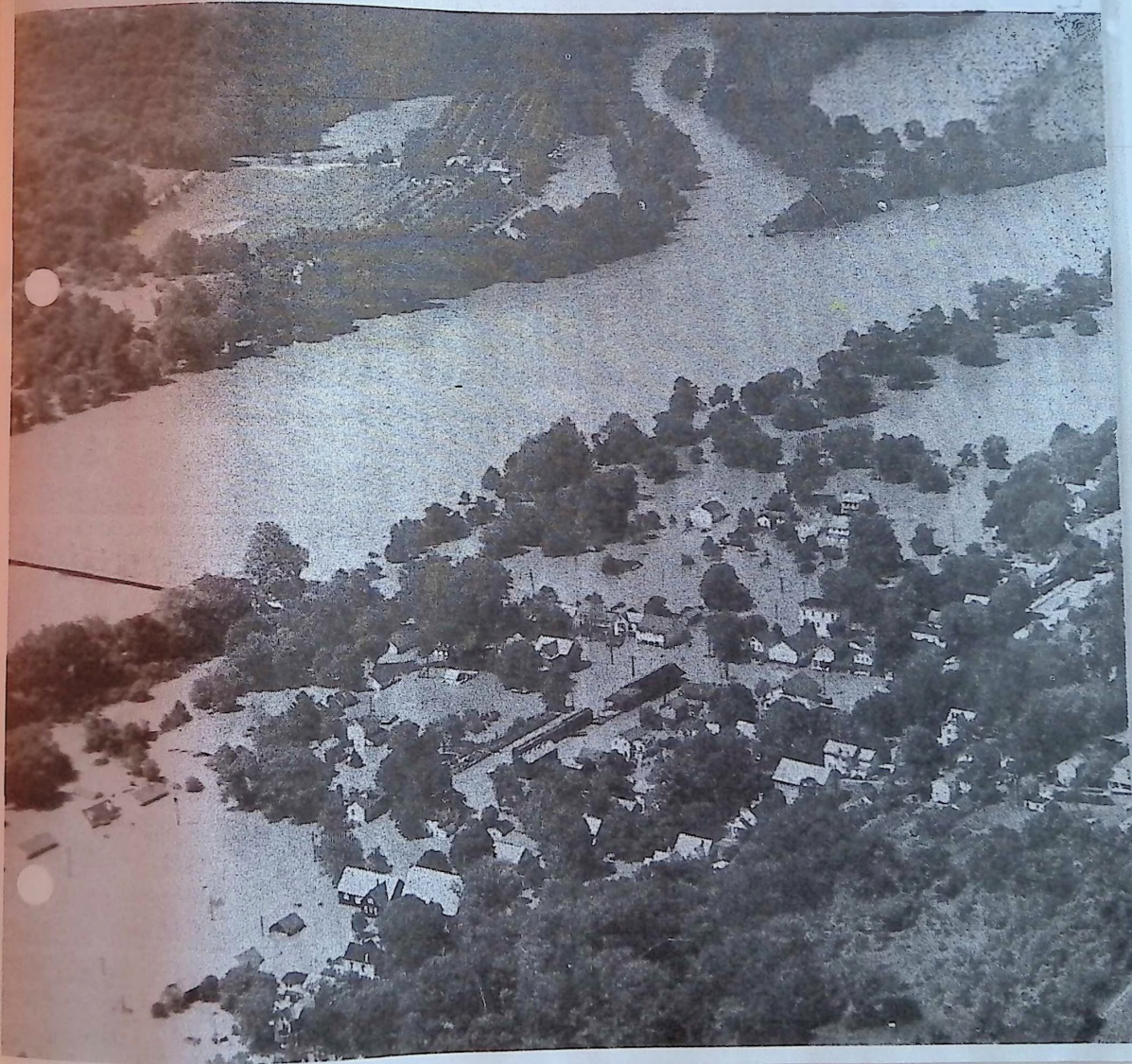
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THE SUMMER OF 1955

In mid – summer of 1955 I signed my contract of employment at Wilkes College and Anne Marie and I planned a late August trip to Wilkes – Barre to look for an apartment. The Interstate Highway System was in the process of development as one of President Eisenhower's post war projects. He had come to appreciate the significance of the German Autobahn system of highways which was the critical supply system across Germany and was a logistical advantage throughout the War. He was determined that America needed a coordinated highway system for post war economic development.

Our trip was on the typical two lane, black top roads that linked cities and rural towns and our route took us from New Jersey, my home, along the banks of the Delaware River heading up to Northeastern PA. I had spent all my pre – war childhood summers at my Grandfather Marchetti's farm in Nuremberg, just outside of Hazleton, PA which was in the general direction to Wilkes Barre. It was a very scenic drive but as we got further north along the river towards the Delaware Water Gap we started to notice pretty severe damage to properties along the river.

Little did we realize that we were only days after "The Great Flood of 1955" that is described in this publication. Our life in Wilkes-Barre "began" after a record flood and basically "ended" in 1975 after a similar record breaking flood in 1972! It seemed our life at Wilkes was "Book Ended" by record setting floods!

FJM (April 2017)

**Pre – Flood Presidents Home
February 1972**

Gay Nineties Theme Party



First Party as President – Gay Nineties Th

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Photo # 4 - Chet & Mrs. Colson, Joan Moran, Mrs. Spohrer, Tom Moran

Photo # 5 - Michelle, Rita Wolberg, Evelyn Popky, Vic Baiz, Joe Savitz



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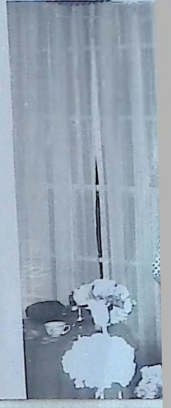
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Photo # 6 - Rhea Simms, Murray Popky

Photo # 7 - Mike, Don Wolberg

Photo # 8 - Chet Colson, Mike, Ralph Rozelle, Ed Wideman





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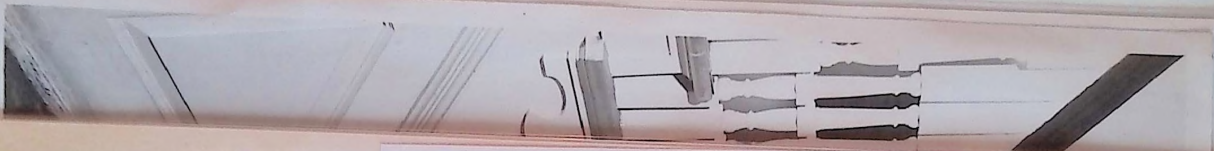


Photo # 9 - Linda Hobrock, Al Groh

Photo # 10 - Lisa, Joan Moran, Anne Marie

Photo # 11 - Linda Hobrock, Anne Marie



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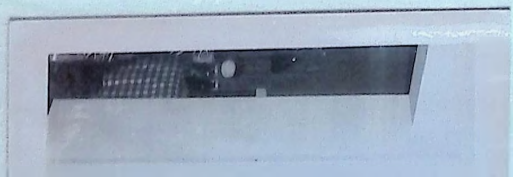


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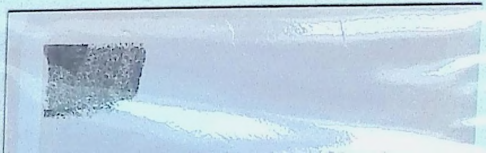




Photo # 12 – Joan Moran, Lisa, Anne Marie

Photo # 13 – John Hobrock, John Chwalek





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Photo # 14 - ? , Colson, Ben Badman, Jane Lampe

Photo # 15 - Mrs. George Spohrer, Dave DeCosmo, Al Groh



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**POST – FLOOD CAMPUS
BUILDINGS
June 30, 1972**

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FLOOD RECOVERY AT WILKES – JUNE/JULY 1972

FARLEY LIBRARY

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"Operation Snapback" Headquarters in Annex

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Jim Bohning, Al Bruch, Bing Wong

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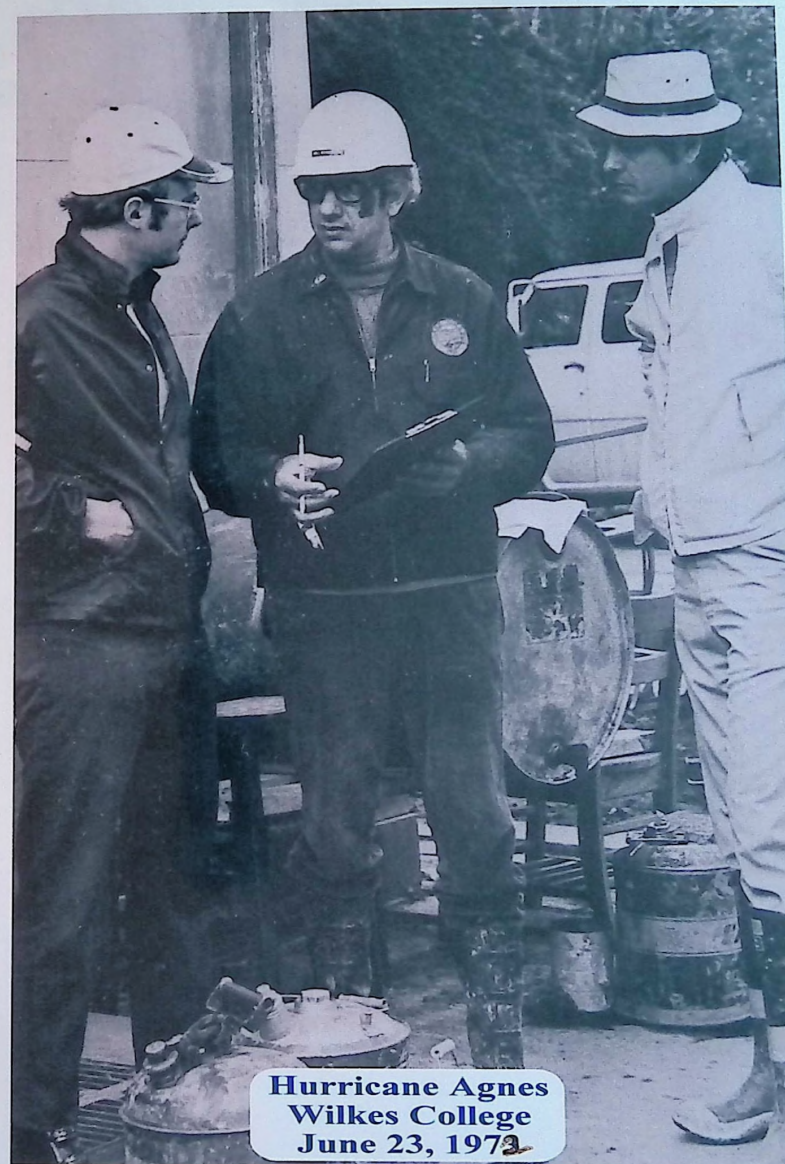
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Hurricane Agnes
Wilkes College
June 23, 1973

Post Flood Planning Session with Don Yost, Housing
Director, Pres. Michelini, and Dean Donald Tappa



FURNITURE REMOVAL FROM PICKERING HALL DINING ROOM.

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Photo # 2 - l to r: Tom Moran
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PICKERING DINING HALL

Photo # 1 – Exterior view showing water level. All refrigerator food storage was located in basement. Horrible smell during cleanup!



Photo # 2, 3, 4 – Interior view of tables and mud deposited from backwater flow from broken dike. Looters had already entered and left whiskey bottle on table!

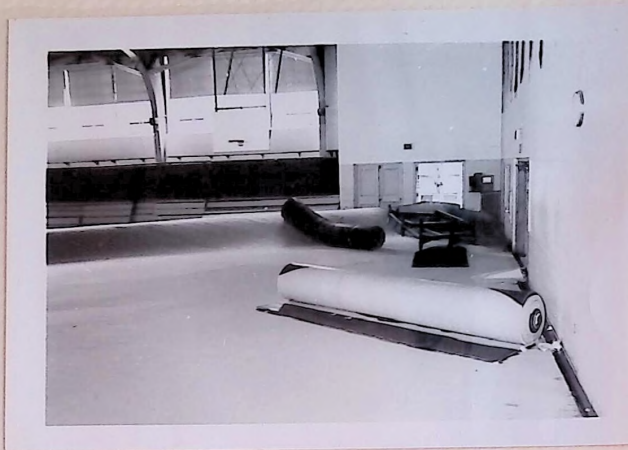


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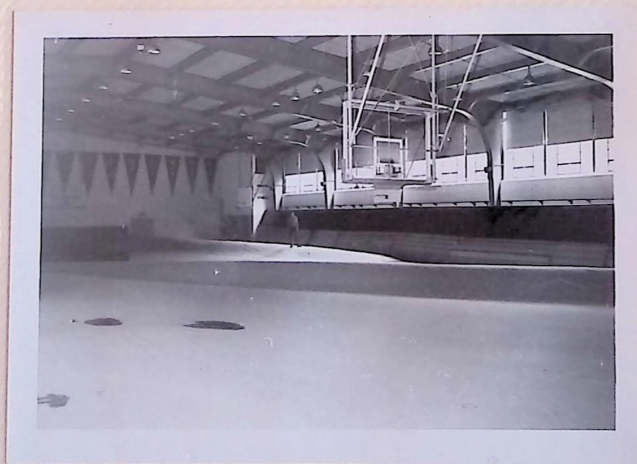


Photo # 3, 4 - View from door
steel building frame





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Photo # 3, 4 – View from doorway of warped flooring only contained by steel building frame. Cross angled layered sub-floor waves!



PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

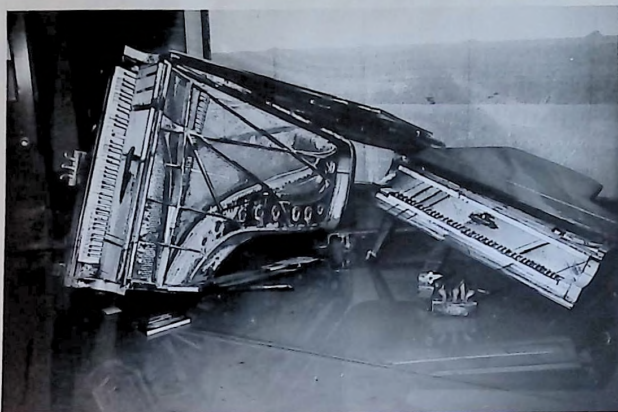
Photo # 1, 2 – View of stage and orchestra pit. Folding chairs mark openings to basement where floor covers had floated away.



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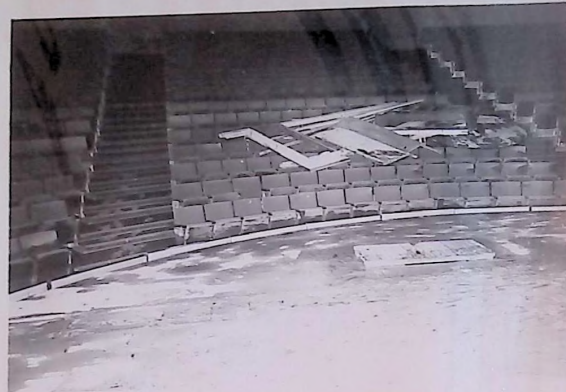
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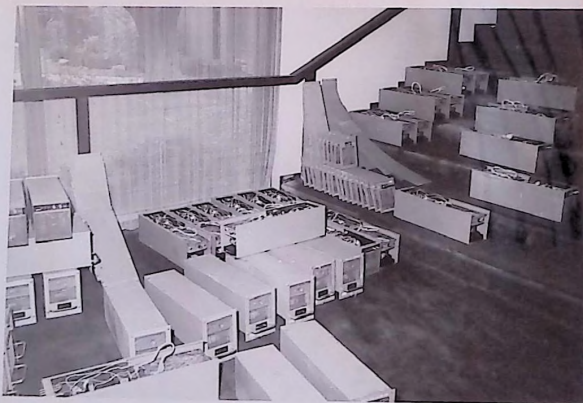
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Photo # 3, 4, 5, - Steinway Grand Pianos less than one year old





**Photo # 5, 6 – Stage Flats floated into auditorium
Seats – first seven rows under water**



**Photo # 7 – Less than
Replacement
unit to honor
Photo # 8 – Steinway**





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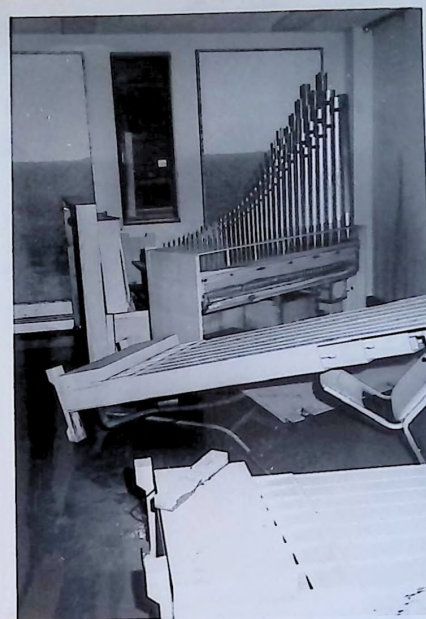
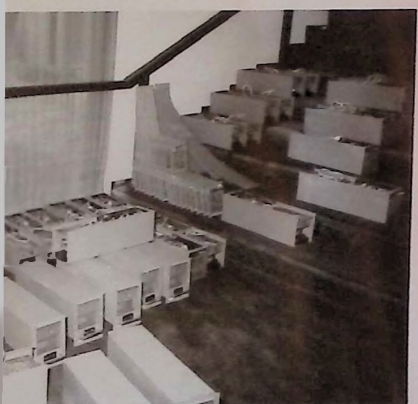


Photo # 7 – Less than one year old pipe organ
Replacement gifted by National Guard
unit to honor their fallen comrade
Photo # 8 – Steinway for landfill



**BOOK STORE
Basement of Pickering**



STARK HALL LOADING DOCK AREA

Photo # 1 - Stark Hall debris re

Photo # 2 - Chase Hall Staff cl



**BOOK STORE
Basement of Pickering**



STARK HALL LOADING DOCK AND CHASE HALL WORKERS

Photo # 1 - Stark Hall debris removal area

Photo # 2 - Chase Hall Staff cleaning furniture and equipment



Separate Towns Made Flood Recovery Tough

Beyond the immediate and immense physical damage wrought by tropical storm "Agnes" in June, 1972, the flood emphasized the untenable position of municipal government in the affected areas of Luzerne County.

This was made known by Pennsylvania Economy League in its recent study, "Local Government Capability in Luzerne County."

PEL, as the result of the study, has recommended that the county's 74 municipalities be reorganized into five major areas: Wyoming Valley, Greater Shickshinny, Back Mountain, Mountaintop and Greater Hazleton.

Referring to the June, 1972, situation, PEL said there was urgent need for prompt and effective action on the part of local government but the response by most units was chaotic.

"Fragmented local government in the county and, particularly in flood-affected areas, compounded the difficulties of the recovery program. The statutory, boundary and political limitations prevented the emergence of an, true local government leadership in the flood recovery effort," PEL said.

According to the League, the massive recovery effort became the province of the federal and state governments. They provided huge amounts of funds, manpower and technical assistance to the flood-affected municipalities in Wyoming Valley.

Since the damage of "Agnes" ignored municipal boundaries, so, too, state and federal officials ignored municipal boundaries as much as possible. The emphasis on recovery was on regional responses to the post-"Agnes" problems.

Federal demonstration projects in the areas of transportation and human services, for example, combined diverse agencies and served the area under single administrative leadership. Many of the smaller municipalities received technical and manpower assistance,

"Indeed, intermunicipal cooperation became a requirement as well as a necessity in the aftermath of "Agnes." This spirit of cooperation has since evaporated," PEL said.

The League brought out that short-term recovery has proceeded apace; what is now needed is careful consideration of long-range recovery. It stressed:

"In the period of short-term recovery, the goals of municipalities all too often have been the reestablishment of many of the pre-flood features that promoted separatism in the past. The return to pre-"Agnes" normalcy would be a mistake.

There must be governmental reorganization aimed at long-range goals to complement the short-term economic recovery which has been achieved. Without a restructuring of local government, the economic recovery would be jeopardized."

PEL sees the state government as having a major stake in the action program outlined in the PEL study. The number of programs and the amounts of state funds that are committed to the various local governments in the Commonwealth every year are enormous, PEL said.

The state provides grant programs in the social and economic policy areas of welfare, health services, housing and development and, in many cases, administers and distributes federal funds to municipalities under programs enacted by the U.S. Congress. In addition, PEL said, the state should have a more specific interest in the status of the social, economic and governmental conditions in Luzerne County in view of the "Agnes" disaster and the millions of dollars in state funds which have poured into the area.

PEL pointed out that the statutes authorizing cooperative action are plentiful. However, these measures are grants of authority only. They do not mandate cooperative activity

nor do they reduce the political and parochial barrier to cooperation," PEL said.

"The state, as part of developing a program of action to cope with the multitude of governmental units, must consider mandating cooperation by establishing penalties or sanctions for those municipalities refusing to join area-wide governmental operations," the League said.

It was noted there is another way to approach the problem of too many local governments.

The state has encouraged the growth of units of local government by a combination of relatively easy incorporation laws and difficult annexation and consolidation statutes. Additionally, the state has permitted the easy incorporation of municipal and joint municipal authorities which have further crowded the local government scene.

PEL said the state should establish an agency, preferably within the Department of Community Affairs, that would serve as an "accreditation agency" for local governments. This agency would examine the thousands of local governments and authorities which now exist and recommend their continued existence, their consolidation with other municipal units or their complete abolition and annexation by neighboring municipalities.

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Photo # 1, 2 - Basement Storage Areas Physics/Chemistry

Photo # 3 - Physics Laboratory Equipment - first floor Stark





WECKESSER HALL

Photo # 1 – Stairway Entrance from Driveway – Stairs to Presidents Office

Photo # 2, 3 – Basement to Registrar Office



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Entrance from Driveway – Stairs to Presidents Office
Entrance to Registrar Office



PRESIDENTS HOME

30 W. River Street
Wilkes-Barre, PA

POST – FLOOD PICTURES (Taken June 27, 1972)

These photos were taken on June 27, 1972 after the flood waters had receded.

The property at 30 West River Street had been in possession of the College for about two years before 1970 and was being utilized as offices for the Education Department. After Dr. Farley announced his retirement he remained as Chancellor and the home he occupied on River Street, now Annette Evans Alumni House was to remain as his residence. The Board designated the West River street property as the residence of the new president. It was repainted and carpeted and the required furnishings, primarily first floor room furniture, were to be provided by the new residents. All first floor furniture was purchased from Town & Country Furniture Galleries on South Main Street and occupied by the new president prior to his November inauguration and was approximately eighteen months old.

RESTORATION

We returned to the house the night after the water went down and before power was restored. It was an eerie scene and as darkness fell we realized that 36 West River, the girls' dormitory next door had all the lights on! The power company was called immediately for fire was a real danger with soaked electrical boxes, etc. All of the fuse switches on the light poles had supposedly been disconnected but one was hidden by the leaves and was missed. As power was being restored in the city this residence hall lit up like a beacon on campus.

(My last day out in the boat was spent with power line crew taking them from pole to pole to disconnect all the connecting fuses)

The next day the college maintenance crew connected a power generator to 30 W. River and we had minimal lighting and a small refrigerator on the second floor until days later when power was restored. A camper trailer was provided and parked in the back yard to provide cooking facilities while we lived on the second floor. Anne Marie cooked in the trailer and we ate out for almost two months.

We had expected to be back in a functional house in a few weeks. Clean-up began inside the house immediately. All original walls were plastered and they were all power washed, carpeting was torn up and put at curbside and hardwood floors cleaned. The floors had not warped and the house appeared to be in great shape structurally.

The curbside pictures show the torn up carpeting and stuff from the basement. The school desk at the curb was from my grade school in Clifton, NJ and had been refurbished by my father as a gift to our children. I wish it had been saved.

The baby bassinette and the toy box plus many of my model airplanes and a train set all went out in the trash.

We had expected to be back in the house in a few weeks but about a week later a terrible smell permeated the house. Inspection revealed mold growing in the tar paper under the sub-floor and on the studs and inside the plaster walls. The photos show the entire first floor had to be gutted and disinfected and all electrical equipment replaced. It proved to be a very expensive process.

The photo of the river was taken on June 27, 1972, just four days after the river started its rise!



FLOOD CLEANUP AT
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Anne Marie and Lisa
business on campus.
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FLOOD CLEANUP AT PRESIDENTS HOME

Rear patio outside kitchen on 30 W. River Street during flood clean up.

Anne Marie and Lisa Michelini were responsible for house while I attended to business on campus. Note flood level on refrigerator door. The white base was result of cleaning effect of acid mine waters. I still have the patio furniture set now fifty years later – March 2012

I clean it up and spray paint it every few years. Can't bear to throw it out.

Kitchen View - Kitchen
Laundry Room



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Kitchen View - Kitchen chair on hall stairs
Laundry Room



Den - Coffee Table with newspapers and china floated up and back down without getting wet!

(The coffee table is at the shore with new trim)

Note TV and Cia baby picture on wall

Shelf on the floor with beer mugs was a planter on top made for us as a wedding present by staff at Botany department at U of P.

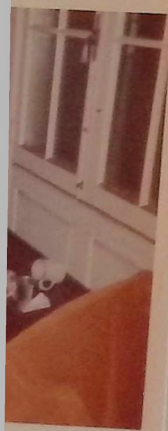


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Dining room table with candelabra
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Dining Room – Note water level to second shelf of china closet / China
 closet close up glasses on bottom shelf floated and crashed / middle shelf
 Floated and reset / top survived!

Dining room table with candelabra and roses in brandy snifter floated up
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Living Room – Front windows face river / Coffee tables by orange wing chair are in my basement- Fireplace with Anne Marie's clowns / Shelves with more of clown collection.
Living room coffee table with mushroom clown and FJM baby bunny cup, etc.



See previous descriptions.
I am still fascinated by the dining
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Similar to the dining room table, the family room magazine table with the newspapers on it also just floated up and down as the water rose and receded and the papers never got wet!



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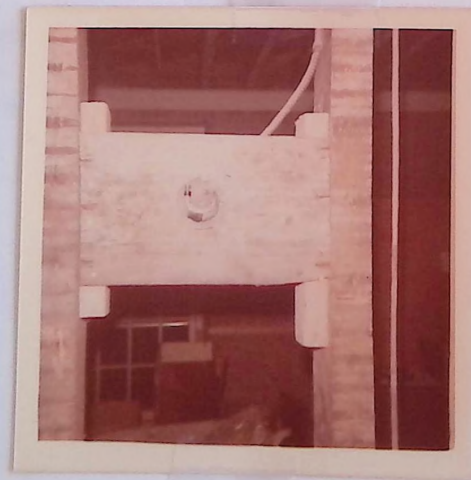
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The living room lamp end tables did not fare well but the lamp tables, (not
shown), are still in use here in my basement room in Mechanicsburg.

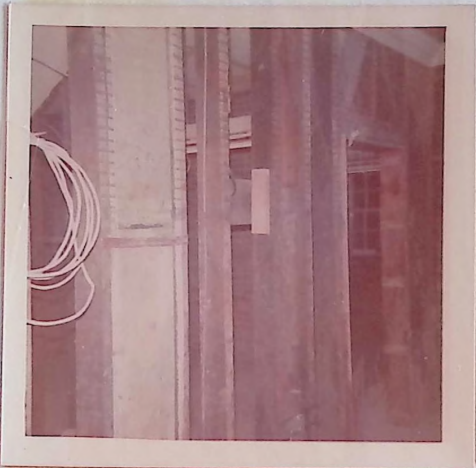


After furniture, rugs, etc. were cleared out to the street curb for pick up to the landfills, the plaster walls on the first floor looked fine and were washed down and cleaned. The flooring also looked fine and was simply washed and polished. After moving back in Anne Marie complained about the "smell" in the house and after new inspections it was found that behind the walls mold was flourishing. All the plaster walls had to be ripped out but I think the flooring was treated with disinfectant and survived. These photos have faded but if you look closely you can see the mold growing on the 2 x 4 studs and around the electrical boxes.



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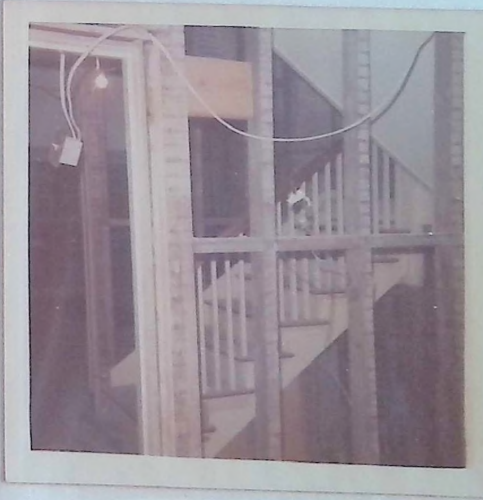


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Anne Marie Michelini, wife of Wilkes College President Francis J. Michelini, has proven that even the near-impossible can be accomplished—with a little bit of determination and a whole lot of optimism.

Even in workmen's overalls and dirty sneakers, Mrs. Michelini makes her visitors feel at home in the make-shift living room located on the rear patio of 30 West River St.

When the emergency flood warnings were sounded early Friday morning, June 23, the first lady of Wilkes College shook her head in disbelief. She remembered a small plaque on the front of their home marking the water line for the flood of 1936 which showed that the water at that time only reached the basement of the home.

Her husband, "Dr. Mike," as he is known by faculty, students and friends, was in Harrisburg at the time, dodging flood waters there. Anne Marie asked her three daughters just to pack a small suitcase and get ready to leave. "I figured we'd be gone for two days at the most," she said.

The rest of the story is more like a dream than a reality. Dr. Mike returned to Wilkes-Barre that afternoon and spent the next two days saving people in the flood-ravaged zone. His wife and three daughters stayed with friends, the Meryl Dixons on Dana Street.

Mrs. Michelini said her husband was "doing what he thought was right." Dr. Mike was out in the family boat transporting flood victims to safety. Perhaps this was the purpose the boat was meant to fulfill. Unfortunately, someone else had other plans for the sturdy vehicle, for when the Michelinis returned to their home to retrieve the boat, it had been stolen.

Never one to leave things half-done, Mrs. Michelini has already stated her first plans for the home—a new plaque marking the water level for the flood of 1972!

Things have always had to be close to perfection for the first lady. When the family first moved to their new home on



The seemingly endless task of cleanup after the flood waters receded is enough to discourage anyone. But Anne Marie Michelini, wife of Wilkes College President Francis J. Michelini, and her daughter, Lisa, have licked the problem through team work.

Shown in their garage trying to save some living room furniture are Lisa, left, and her mother. Lisa has been putting in a double shift, along with her two sisters, Lucia and Michelle, helping their father, who has been working since June 25 overseeing "Operation Snapback" — the answer for recovery from \$10-million in damages at Wilkes College.

constantly darting through her kitchen. Her husband was a biology teacher at the time, but she didn't appreciate his home-work running through the house. The kitchen at the West River Street home right now resembles something of a 1900 kitchen, with only the framework of cupboards remaining. What was once an efficient and beautifully decorate kitchen now forms a somewhat distorted image. The slogan for the city states, "Rebuild We Will," and the Michelinis are no exception. Anne Marie wouldn't dream of leaving the house that is "really shifts" for the family. She and the other at home

moved here, as everyone is," explained the president's wife. One of the hardest things for Mrs. Mike to believe is the tremendous job the Red Cross and the Salvation Army are doing in the area. "I never thought I'd have to ask for anything," she explained. Now most of the meals in the area are being catered by these organizations. The Michelini household has a new rule these days — leave your muddy shoes downstairs. Dr. Mike and his three daughters, Lucia, Lisa and Michelle have been putting in double shifts — one at Wilkes College

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\$87,194 Spent To Fix Wilkes Head's Home

Of the many buildings in the Wilkes College complex, including those used for classes, that have been repaired and restored through federal funds after the flood of 1972, it was learned Thursday night that the residence of the college president, Dr. Francis Michelini, on West River Street, was one of the most costly in terms of labor and material, totaling \$87,194.85.

The total cost of repair work on the president's home as of last June was broken down to \$60,192.75 for material and \$27,002.06 for labor.

A listing of the bulk of the Wilkes College buildings shows that the president's residence is near the top in terms of cost.

The buildings include: Conyngham Annex, used for art, with \$31,676.52 for labor and \$70,119.47 for material; Parrish Hall, the old Glen Alden building, used for classes and administrative offices, with \$14,654.13 for labor and \$69,465.53 for material; Weckesser Hall, used for administrative offices, with \$18,143.39 for labor and \$61,936.06 for material; and the Dining Commons, with \$22,154.67 for labor and \$77,251.58 for material.

Among the other buildings that have been repaired since the flood are Bedford Hall, used by the English Department, with \$14,208.67 for labor and \$26,200.33 for material; Miner Hall, used by the Mathematics Department, with \$3,864.03 for labor and \$5,113.49 for material; Harding Hall, with \$6,315.74 for labor and \$20,458.33 for material; Delaware Hall, with \$5,820.73 for labor and \$22,702.92 for material; Shawnee Hall, with \$2,013.21 for labor and \$16,886.40; Ross Hall, with \$4,282.19 for labor and \$19,033.11 for material; Sturdevant Hall, with \$8,186.82 for labor and \$37,711.20 for material; Church Hall, with \$5,703.16 for labor and \$7,258.99. Most of the latter buildings are used as dormitories for students.

It was reported more than \$7 million have been spent to date in restoring Wilkes College since the flood.

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Left to right: (Names being recalled in 2017)

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Dean Don Tappa, Tom Kelly, Alex Pawlenok and I conducting post flood tour of campus with seven available board members. Board chair Louis Shaffer, Joe Savitz, Norm Weiss plus four others whose names escape me without some reference to college bulletin to refresh my memory.



This appears to be a photo taken in Kingston at the athletic facilities welcoming federal officials. Not sure if they helicoptered in to the Armory grounds



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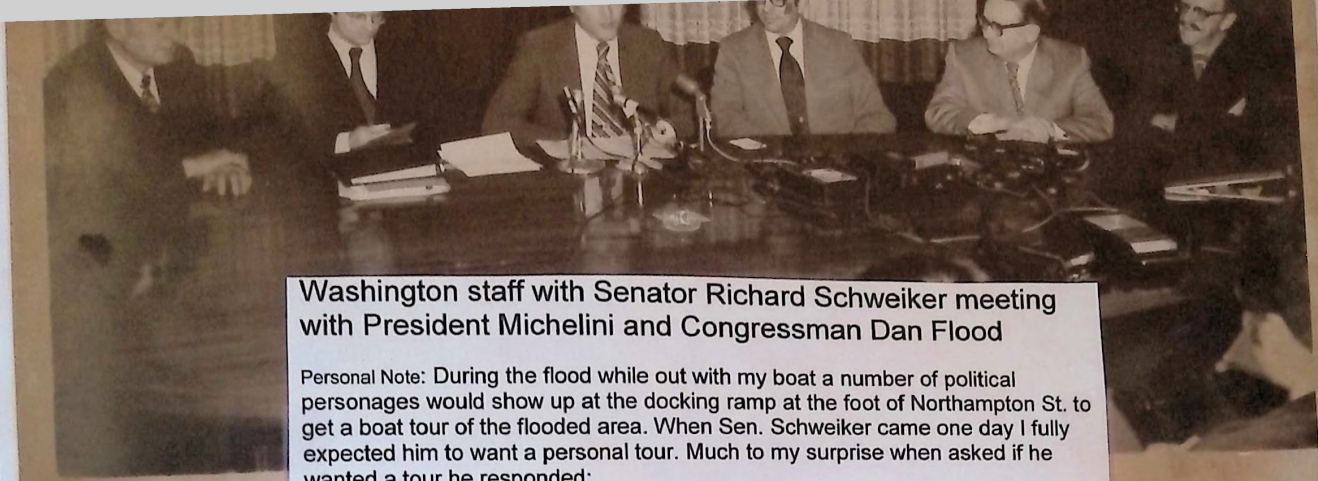
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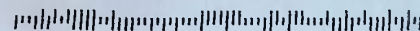
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*To Mike,
with thanks and affection
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DR. FRANCIS J. MICHELINI

Dr. "Mike," you were seven years a teacher of biology, eight years the Dean of Academic Affairs, and five years the President at Wilkes College from 1955 to 1975. One of the best liked, friendliest figures in the College's history, you both inspired your students and helped attract and hire outstanding faculty members among whom at this date are many of the academic leaders of the University. You learned your academic administration at the hands of a master, Dr. Eugene Farley, and served him faithfully, complementing his qualities and being ever accessible to faculty and students. Wilkes College of the 1960s enjoyed a kind of golden age thanks in no small part to your leadership. You were chosen by the trustees to do the impossible, replace the Founding Father of Wilkes College as President in 1970. In this delicate and demanding role you systematically began the process of sharing responsibility and authority with the faculty, an absolute imperative if Wilkes College were to achieve academic maturity. In the midst of this controversial effort, the College and the Valley were devastated by Hurricane Agnes. With hard hat and motorboat, shovel and broom you led your colleagues to rebuild the College. As commanding general of Operation Snapback, you helped lead Wilkes to victory in one of the most striking comebacks from disaster of any college in American history. You mobilized the campus, the community and the country, from City Hall to the White House to draw together the necessary resources to rebuild Wilkes College. Throughout the transition from Dr. Farley's more than three decades of leadership to the shared governance of faculty and administration of your presidency and throughout the exhausting and occasionally exhilarating rebuilding after the flood, you were tough and tender, indefatigable and loving of this place. Your personal sacrifices helped Wilkes to emerge triumphant.

When you left our valley, you took up the challenges of guiding the interests of independent higher education in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as President of the Commission of Independent Colleges and Universities. Working with the presidents of these institutions, and with leaders of the other sectors of higher education in Pennsylvania, you have provided leadership for fifteen years to education in our Commonwealth. Others have recently celebrated this leadership upon your retirement from CICU and we join their chorus. But it remains to your Wilkes University to hail you for a job without parallel in the history of higher education. You led students, staff, faculty, trustees, and community to help Wilkes College rise from the mud stronger and more confident to face its promising future.

By the power vested in me by the Board of Trustees and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I confer upon you, Francis J. Michelini, the degree Doctor of Science Honoris Causa with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

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Leaving government when President George H. W. Bush assumed office in January 1989, Mr. Carlucci joined the Carlyle Group, a Washington investment partnership. He retired as its chairman in 2003.

Frank Charles Carlucci III was born on Oct. 18, 1930, in Scranton, Pa., to Frank Carlucci Jr., an insurance broker, and Roxanne (Bacon) Carlucci. He graduated in 1948 from Wyoming Seminary, a prep school in Pennsylvania, and in 1952 from Princeton, where he studied with two future cabinet secretaries, Donald H. Rumsfeld (Defense) and James A. Baker 3rd (Treasury, State). He then served two years in the Navy.

In 1954, he married Jean Anthony. They had two children, Karen Romano and Frank IV. The marriage ended in divorce, and in 1976 he married Marcia Myers. They had a daughter, Kristin Carlucci Weed. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children; a sister, Joan Kleinrock; and six grandchildren.



Mr. Carlucci, left, in 1977 with Andrew Young, who at the time was the United States ambassador to the United Nations, in Lisbon. Mr. Carlucci was President Gerald R. Ford's ambassador to Portugal from 1975 to 1977. Associated Press

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Mr. Carlucci studied business at Princeton. After his business career, he joined the State Department in a diplomatic career that took him to Brazil.

Arriving in the Congo in 1960 as ambassador, he was nearly killed, beaten and challenged at gunpoint. He was rescued from a mob after a traffic accident. Later, Congolese authorities accused him of subverting the government.

Years later there were allegations that he had conspired with American officials to overthrow the country's charismatic leftist leader, Che Guevara. Mr. Carlucci vehemently denied the charges.

Still, Mr. Carlucci was a globe-trotter. He was short and wore cardigan sweaters and an enigmatic smile. His razor's edge: modulated, decisive.

He was expelled again on his second tour in Tanzania, where he was accused of plotting to overthrow the government. He merged in 1964 to form Tanzania's first political party, the United Tanganyika Party, of Moise Tshombe, a right-wing leader. He was expelled after a rebellion in the Congo. Later, he was expelled from the Congo by overseeing the departure of his colleagues by overseeing the departure of his colleagues.

Back in Washington in 1969, he was named to the Nixon administration — first as deputy secretary, then succeeding Mr. Rumsfeld, in 1971 as secretary of Education and Welfare.

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Andrew Young, who at the time was the United States ambassador to Ghana, walking with Mr. Carlucci, who was President Gerald R. Ford's ambassador to South Africa, in 1978. Associated Press

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Mr. Carlucci studied business at Harvard for a year, but after bailing out of a brief unsatisfying business career, he joined the State Department in 1956. A year later he began a 12-year diplomatic career that took him to South Africa, the Belgian Congo (now Congo), Zanzibar and Brazil.

Arriving in the Congo in 1960 amid the chaos of struggles for independence, he was stabbed in the neck, beaten and challenged at bayonet point by soldiers, but he helped rescue 20 Americans from a mob after a traffic accident had left a Congolese dead. In June 1961, the Congolese authorities accused him subversive activities and expelled him from the country.

Years later there were allegations that Mr. Carlucci had been a covert C.I.A. agent in the Congo and had conspired with American and Belgian operatives to assassinate Patrice Lumumba, the country's charismatic leftist independence leader, who was abducted and murdered in 1961. Mr. Carlucci vehemently denied the allegations.

Still, Mr. Carlucci was a globe-trotting diplomat who might have stepped out of a John le Carré spy story. He was short and compact, with an athletic build, a high forehead, a preference for cardigan sweaters and an enigmatic smile that looked perilously like a grimace. His voice was a razor's edge: modulated, decisive, accustomed to getting things done.

He was expelled again on his next posting, from Zanzibar in 1965, after the leftist government of Tanzania accused him of plotting to overthrow the government. (Zanzibar and Tanganyika had merged in 1964 to form Tanzania.) American officials called it retaliation for Washington's support of Moise Tshombe, a right-wing leader in the neighboring Congo. Tanzania had supported a leftist rebellion in the Congo. Later, at the American Embassy in Brazil, Mr. Carlucci incurred the enmity of colleagues by overseeing large staff cuts.

Back in Washington in 1969, he jumped from relative obscurity to a series of high-profile jobs in the Nixon administration — deputy director, then director, of the Office of Economic Opportunity, succeeding Mr. Rumsfeld, in 1971; deputy director of the Office of Management and Budget, under Mr. Weinberger, in 1972; and, in 1973, Mr. Weinberger's deputy in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

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While Mr. Carlucci's previous appointments had been made by Republicans, it was President Carter, a Democrat, who named him deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency under Adm. Stansfield Turner in 1978. Mr. Carlucci shut down many covert operations to restore the reputation of an agency tarnished by abuses of power.

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In December 1983, after two years at the Pentagon, Mr. Carlucci resigned to become president and chief executive of Sears World Trade Inc., a new export trading subsidiary of Sears, Roebuck & Company. It was not a successful venture.

And in 1986, as Iran-contra rattled the White House and President Reagan sent up distress signals, Mr. Carlucci took over the troubled National Security Council — glad, friends said, to be back in his element.

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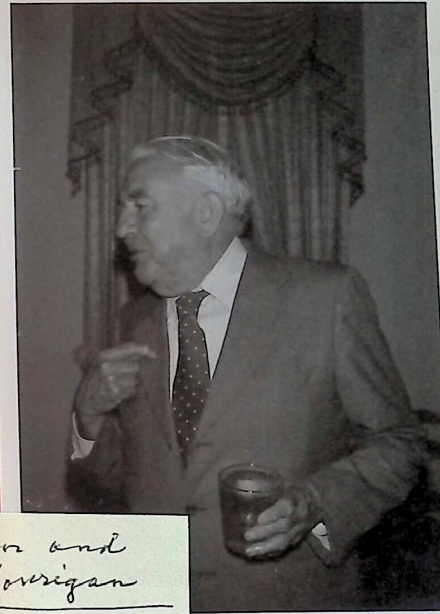
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Sl Chopped Ham

Potato chips

Mustard

Ketchup

Bread

Beer

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Plastic plates

Pretzels

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Pretzels

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Jeep & Snow Plow?

Folding chairs?

~~Luck for fellow Don?~~

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Dr. Mrs D Tappa

yes - Mr + Mrs C. Abate

yes Mrs Mrs T. Moran

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yes { Mr J. Whitby
Mrs H. Isaacs

yes Mr + Mrs J. Hobrock

① yes Mr. A. Groh

No Miss J. Lampe

yes Mr + Mrs B. Moses

yes Mr + Mrs D. Host

yes Mr + Mrs T. Keller

yes Dr + Mrs R. Riley

yes Mrs Mrs A. Pawlenok

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30 WEST RIVER STREET -- WILKES-BARRE

JUNE 9, 1973

7:30 P.M.

PLEASE BRING YOUR HAWAIIAN FILMS, PICTURES, ETC.....

R.S.V.P. BEFORE JUNE 4th (CARD ENCLOSED)

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Bill Denion

Rst Pork

Fish

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Chopped Spinach

Potato Salad

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Decorations

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Beer on tap
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ATHLETIC FIELD TREES – FLOOD STORY

(Written August 2012 – F. J. "Dr. Mike" Micheline)

This row of trees in Kingston at the athletic fields were planted in the late sixties when Wilkes acquired part of the property that is now the Ralston Athletic Complex. At the time of the flood in June of 1972 they were about six to eight inches in diameter and already formed a beautiful border between different areas of the complex. There was wire fencing at the North side of the trees separating it from a parking area. When the water topped the levees and undermined the steel pilings at the cemetery in Forty Fort it swept down through Kingston and totally inundated the athletic complex. Bleachers from the Kennedy inauguration parade had been acquired via Dan Flood and were floated across the football field (see Photo).

The "only" Wilkes building, (the campus had a total of 59 buildings at the time), that was not flooded at high water was the visiting teams locker room which was the former coal company shaft house where the huge cable drums would raise and lower miners to the gangways deep underground. That cable house had become the visiting team locker rooms and was the highest spot of ground in the area.

In late August of 1972 the National Guard commander of the unit from Johnstown, PA that had done so much to help the campus recover, was ready to pack up and leave. The Captain came and asked me if there was anything else his men could do before they left. I told him about the trees bordering our athletic fields and explained the layout of the fence, etc. The fence acted as a barrier and collected tons of debris and became a dam, accumulating water behind it until the pressure became so great that it pushed against the trees and leveled them to the ground. They were in that position when the Captain asked what else he could do and since they were an engineering unit with large trucks and winches, I took him over to the athletic fields, showed him the fallen trees, and asked if they could possibly pull them upright. He thought a few minutes and called his top sergeant to check with him and in minutes his men were at work on the trees. Every tree was pulled upright and anchored with cables and stakes to hold them in place.

Every time I went over to the athletic field, usually with Al Groh, corned beef sandwiches from Goldstein's Deli in Kingston, and an occasional beer, we would sit in the bleachers and eat lunch and just talk. In 2012 on regular trips to my dentist I still treat that routine as a ritual and visit the athletic fields with my memories. In 2011 on one of my trips I brought Cia's camera and took pictures of those trees. The scars in the tree bark inflicted by the pressure of the flood water and fencing is clearly visible on the trees. They reflect to me the resilience of nature in the face of catastrophic damage and that same resilience was reflected in the survival of the College from the trauma inflicted by nature on our campus.

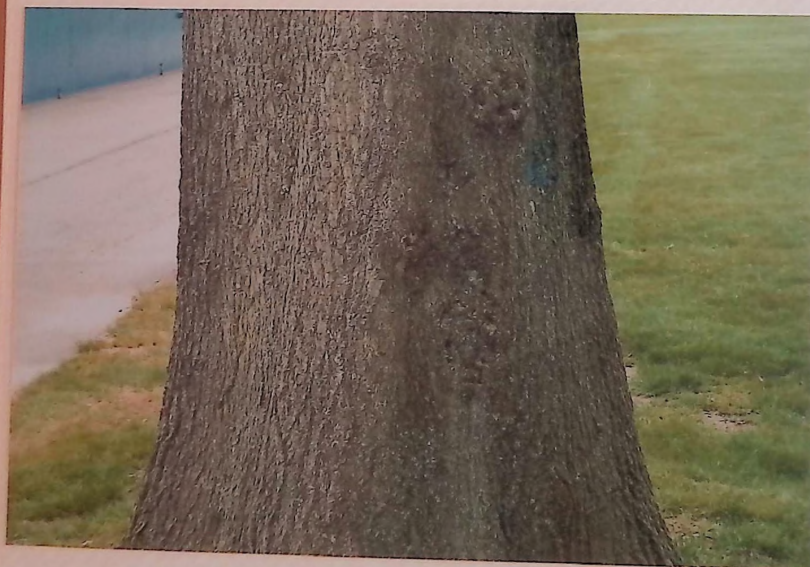
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Dr. Mike,

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of the 1972 flood. I hope you will find
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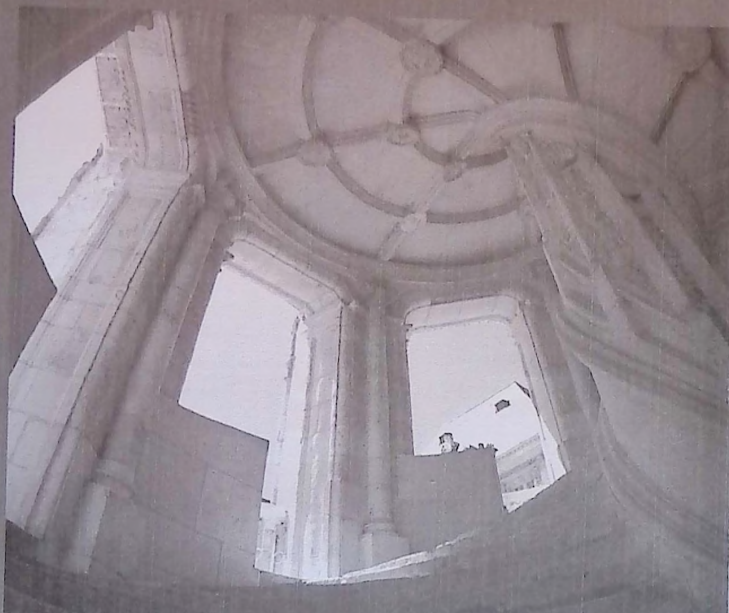
I hope you enjoy the book.

Best regards,

Mike

LEADING THE CAMPAIGN

Advancing Colleges and Universities



MICHAEL J. WORTH

The ability to lead a campaign is essential to success for today's college or university president. Campaign experience at some level is now generally a prerequisite credential for presidential candidates, as well as deans and other academic leaders, on both public and private campuses.

This book discusses fundamental campaign principles but is not intended as a how-to guide. Rather, its emphasis is on campaign leadership and the strategic decisions that a campaign requires. It will be of interest to trustees, advancement professionals, and others concerned with the future of colleges and universities. Consistent with its sponsorship by the American Council on Education, it emphasizes the campaign leadership of presidents.

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I accepted the position and started in September 1971. It was an enjoyable and productive academic year, a wonderful learning experience for a young man. It provided my first exposure to higher education administration and the work of the board of trustees (which I barely knew existed when I was an undergraduate). It was going well until June of 1972.

That month, Hurricane Agnes, later downgraded to a tropical storm, moved up over the East Coast, dumping inches of saturating rain. It became essentially stationary over upstate New York for several days and poured heavy rain into tributaries of the Susquehanna River. The river gradually rose to a record height of more than forty feet, and on June 23, 1972, the levees protecting the city of Wilkes-Barre gave way. Rushing floodwaters decimated some portions of the city and its suburbs, cut the community in two, and covered many buildings to the rooftop. That included the fifty-eight buildings on the campus of Wilkes College, which was set along the banks of the river near downtown Wilkes-Barre.

Having been evacuated from my home and with the city secured by the National Guard, it was many days before I could make my way back to the campus. Crews were already at work and the scenes were horrifying. A crane was removing destroyed grand pianos through a hole in the roof of the performing arts center, and a backhoe was pushing the mushy remains of books out of a hole in the wall of the recently constructed library. The wooden floor of the gymnasium had buckled into three-foot-high waves the length of the court. There were inches of mud and the sounds of pumps moving water out of basements everywhere.

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There was not much for me to do by way of my usual administrative work, especially without phones or electric power, and it was the summer, so I was not in the classroom. The college's development office was small, essentially consisting of one person, the director of development, Tom Kelly. Michelini suggested that I "go over and work with Tom" to see what together we might be able to accomplish in raising philanthropic funds to save the college. "I need to stay here to oversee the recovery effort," he said, "but I also will be working on some other avenues." And so Tom Kelly and I set up shop on the top floor of the administration building, powered eventually by a generator and a single temporary phone line and fed by the Red Cross truck that had set up relief services down the street. We devoted our combined efforts to saving our institution, from which both of us had graduated just a few years before.

In the weeks that followed we would call, write, and travel to visit foundations, companies, alumni, and other individuals, pounding the pavements of New York and Philadelphia with vivid photographs of the devastation and pleas for support of rebuilding. There was much sympathy for the cause, but also some hesitation. Some asked, "What if the campus cannot be restored in time?" "What if the students all go somewhere else and do not return in September?" "What happens if you raise only part of the money; will the college go bankrupt?" All good questions, but apparently we were sufficiently persuasive and confident to secure commitments for at least a few million dollars.

A friend of the college, William Scranton, who was a former governor of Pennsylvania, opened doors for us in Pittsburgh. He reminded some of that city's leading citizens that he had indeed been helpful to one of their local universities during his term as governor and suggested that they now might wish to help a stricken institution in his part of the state. They responded. Other friends of the college and members of its board were similarly helpful. Through all of these efforts, we had raised, by my recollection, several million dollars by the beginning of September. The physical restoration of the campus had proceeded at an amazing rate, but we still had not raised enough to pay the full bill.

Then on September 9, 1972, a helicopter brought the president of the United States, Richard Nixon, to the campus to hand President Michelini a federal government check covering the balance of what was needed. It turned out that Michelini had indeed been pursuing some other avenues, via our congressman, the ironically named Daniel J. Flood, who happened to be a senior member of the House Committee on Appropriations.

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Obviously, my first experience with higher education fundraising was anything but typical. Few institutions will ever face the existential threat that Wilkes endured in 1972, although surely some institutions on the Gulf Coast did so years later following Hurricane Katrina.

This fundraising effort was not a campaign, because it did not meet several of the defining criteria, discussed in chapter 1 of this book. But, atypical as it was, my first experience with fundraising did provide some lessons that I found to be of lasting value and, with modification, still applicable under more normal circumstances in subsequent years.

First, donors respond to real needs. People act when it is necessary and important to do so. It is impossible to duplicate the story we had to tell or the heartbreaking photos of devastation that we carried with us in that effort and it is surely not possible, or desirable, to create a crisis for the purpose of raising money. But it remains true that individuals respond more forcefully to needs that are tangible and urgent than to the hypothetical, common, or mundane. Few institutions of higher education will ever face a similar situation, but their fundraising will nevertheless succeed to the extent that they can present a case that is visual and real. As this book discusses in a later chapter, too many campaigns proceed with humdrum cases that fail to create either excitement or urgency.

Second, as we experienced even under the unique circumstances of a disaster, people do want assurance that their money will be well spent toward achievable ends. The case needs to be credible and goals plausible. The possibility that their gifts might have been money down the drain if the college failed to accomplish its challenging goal of recovery did, understandably, give pause to some whom we approached. Even under normal circumstances, donors will respond to realistic goals but look with skepticism on overly ambitious ones. People give alongside others if they have confidence that the overall program can be accomplished but usually do not want to

act alone in pursuing a pipe dream. That was certainly true in 1972 and it is ever more so today, when many donors view their giving as an investment in a plan that needs to be both logical and achievable.

The *third* lesson of my unusual first experience is that institutional friends matter, especially those who have influence and favors to be called in. Without the intervention of the former governor and other trustees and friends, we would never have been able to raise funds from philanthropists in other regions of the state. Without the influence of our local congressman, it is unlikely that the federal funds would have been provided. No amount of earnestness and persuasiveness on our part alone could have opened enough doors or bank accounts. No level of effort or charisma would have been sufficient without powerful allies of long standing.

Fourth and finally, leadership is crucial. I learned a lot about leadership from President Michelini in those trying days. Whatever personal doubts he may have held about the college's ability to recover and survive, he was unswerving in his outward confidence, optimism, and determination that it would be saved and continue to thrive. Faced with the personal crises of damaged homes, lost property, and uncertainty about their future livelihoods, many people were inspired by his leadership to pull together to successfully meet an enormous challenge. Creating inspiration and confidence is the essence of presidential leadership and it is as necessary under ordinary circumstances as it was under the extraordinary events of 1972 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

I have served six presidents in a staff capacity and others in my role as a consultant. I am convinced that the most effective fundraising presidents are those who are first and foremost visionary and committed *leaders of their institutions*.

In the following chapters, I summarize some time-tested principles of educational fundraising and campaigns. Consistent with the book's sponsorship by the American Council on Education, there is an emphasis on the leadership role of the president in the campaign and on the critical decisions that ultimately fall to the president. Fundraising may come naturally for some presidents and maybe not for others. Fundraising skills can be developed and/or other people can help to offset whatever shortcomings the president may have in that area. But confident and visionary institutional leadership can only come from the president, and such leadership is the *sine qua non* of successful fundraising.

From the vantage point of this writing, it is difficult to know what will be the condition of the U.S. and world economies by the time this book is read. Perhaps we will be in an economic recovery with increasing philanthropy and the announcement of higher campaign goals. Or perhaps we will be in recession, with campaigns on hold, extended, or scaled down. But colleges and universities are enduring institutions. Support for them has

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Fourth and finally, leadership is crucial. I learned a lot about leadership from President Michelini in those trying days. Whatever personal doubts he may have held about the college's ability to recover and survive, he was unwavering in his outward confidence, optimism, and determination that it would be saved and continue to thrive. Faced with the personal crises of damaged homes, lost property, and uncertainty about their future livelihoods, many people were inspired by his leadership to pull together to successfully meet an enormous challenge. Creating inspiration and confidence is the essence of presidential leadership and it is as necessary under ordinary circumstances as it was under the extraordinary events of 1972 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

I have served six presidents in a staff capacity and others in my role as a consultant. I am convinced that the most effective *fundraising* presidents are those who are first and foremost visionary and committed leaders of change.

CONCLUSION TO THE WILKES YEARS

Initial Appointment – May 23, 1975

Resignation – May 1975 - effective June 30, 1975

By early 1975 despite repeated analysis of operations of the College and the reports of outside consultant groups there was no way to satisfy a clique of Board members who had their own agendas to pursue.

The consultant reports; detailed data analysis of college operations; national studies on current economic trends affecting colleges and universities; etc. meant nothing to this group. It was past time to consider a career change.

During my tenure as Wilkes President I had been very involved in the activities of (PACU), an umbrella organization of higher education Commissions representing all sectors of Pennsylvania higher education.

These Commissions were: Commission for State Colleges and University; Commission for State Related Universities; Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities; and the Commission for Community Colleges.

Each of these Commissions had an executive coordinating their public policy interests in Harrisburg, (and increasingly in Washington), with office staff in Harrisburg working collaboratively under the umbrella of PACU.

The Commission for independent Colleges and Universities (CICU), had approximately 80 independent colleges paying dues to support their central office operations within this structure. The chief executive for CICU was Dr. Frederick "Fritz" Miller, a former president of Lebanon Valley College who later served as Commissioner for Higher Education in the Commonwealth Department of Education.

When CICU was established Dr. Miller was named chief executive of the new organization.

In March of 1975 Dr. Miller suffered a heart attack and died unexpectedly. The Commission executive committee formed a search committee to recommend his successor.

The CICU Chairman, President Ted Eddy of Chatham College, appointed President Deming Lewis of Lehigh University

to chair the committee which included Sr. Jane Scully, President of Carlow College, myself, and one or two others.

Criteria for the position were formally developed and a number of interested individuals submitted applications for the position of President of CICU. About five weeks into the process in May of 1975 the committee asked me if I would submit my name for consideration in the applicant pool and I agreed to become an applicant for the presidency of CICU.

The years of my presidency at Wilkes were familiar to most of the CICU presidents because of the unique circumstance of succeeding the founding president Eugene S. Farley in 1970. Dr. Farley was well known and well respected by his presidential colleagues and my selection as his successor was well publicized among the group. That circumstance was followed by the 1972 Hurricane Agnes flood which had also been part of national headlines.

These events in my presidency were also accompanied by my active involvement in public policy issues as Chair of the PACU Government Relations Committee. That activity in public policy at both state and national levels had provided a high level of visibility among the Pennsylvania presidents.

I had actively testified before legislative committees of the house and senate in support of the creation of the Institutional Assistance Grants (IAG), a program providing institutional support for state scholarship recipients attending private colleges and universities. In addition I had been called upon to testify before congressional committees on issues facing all higher education. The Education Sub-Committee was chaired by our local Congressman Dan Flood who could be very difficult in his questioning. Lobbyists knew he loved his local district people and the education institutions in his district and when critical testimony was required they usually turned to the local independent college leadership.

Those circumstances were all part of the consideration of candidates and in a short time two names were submitted for final review by PACU president Jim Ream. Jim was highly respected by all sectors and it was felt by the CICU selection committee that a new president of their group would have to be acceptable to Jim if the independent sector agenda was to move forward.

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day apart shared life experiences growing up as depression
babies and sharing similar military experiences during WW II we
could well have been brothers.

I think our relationship helped maintain the collaborative
efforts of public and private higher education in the
Commonwealth during very stressful times. Jim was later
honored by the National Association of Independent Colleges
and Universities as the second recipient of the Henry Paley
Memorial Award, a significant honor at the national level of
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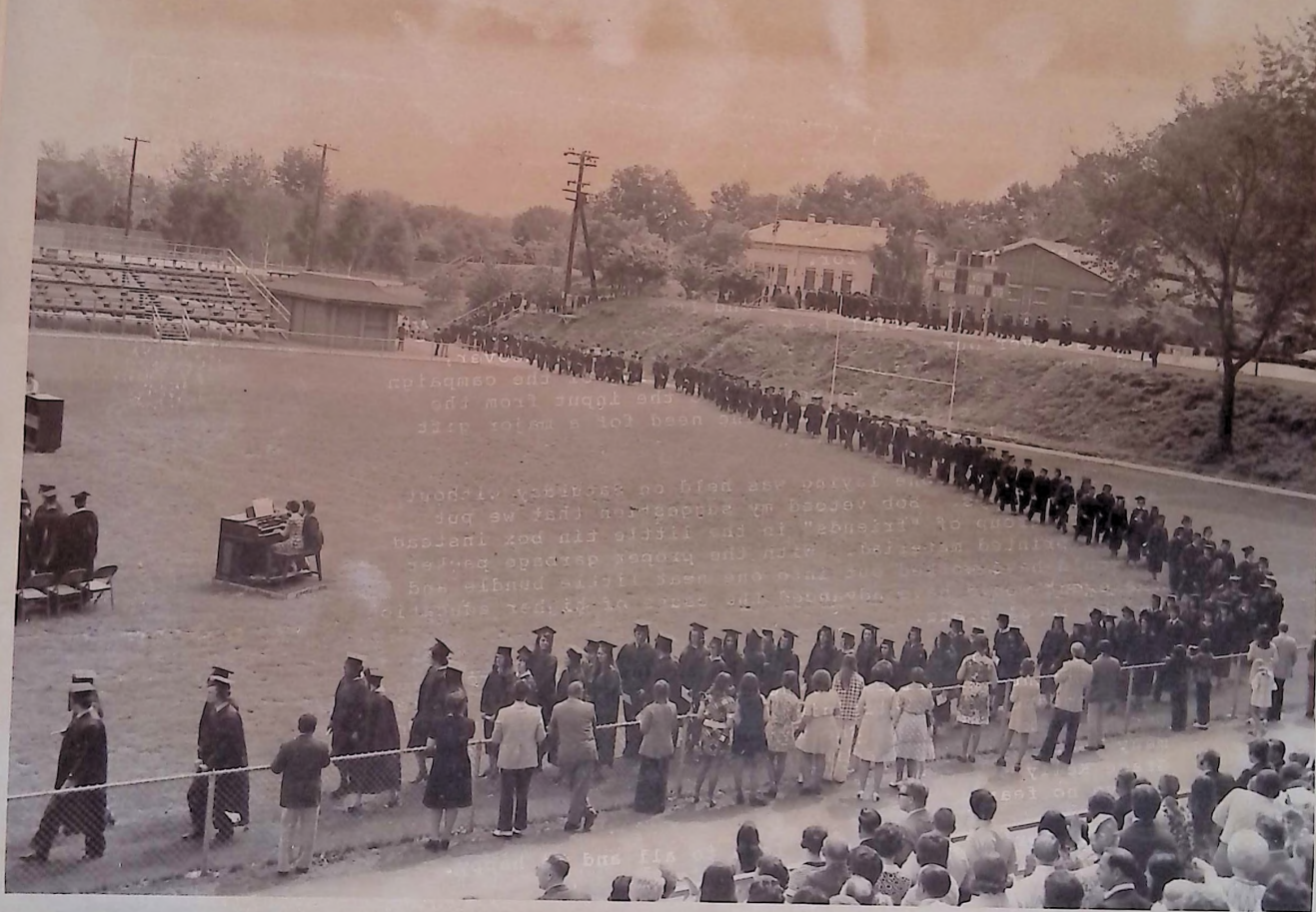




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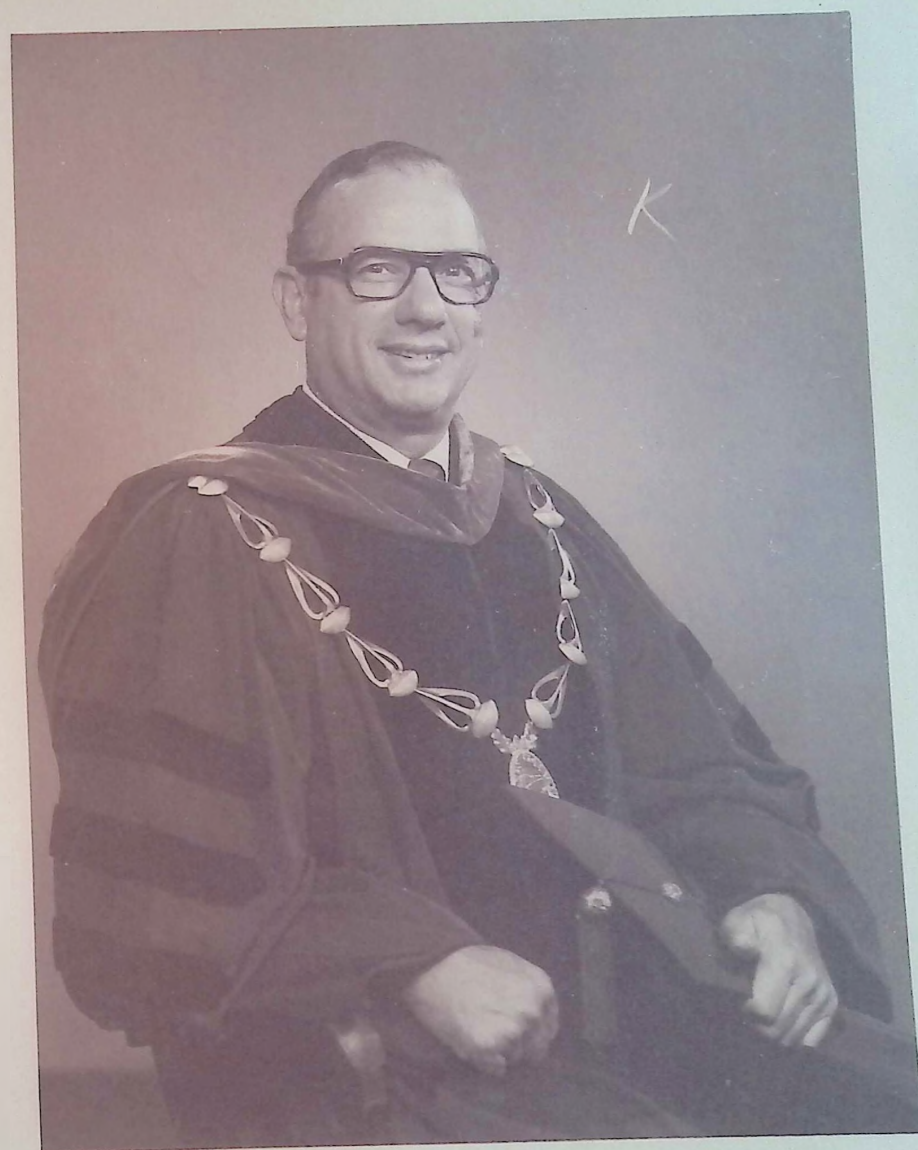




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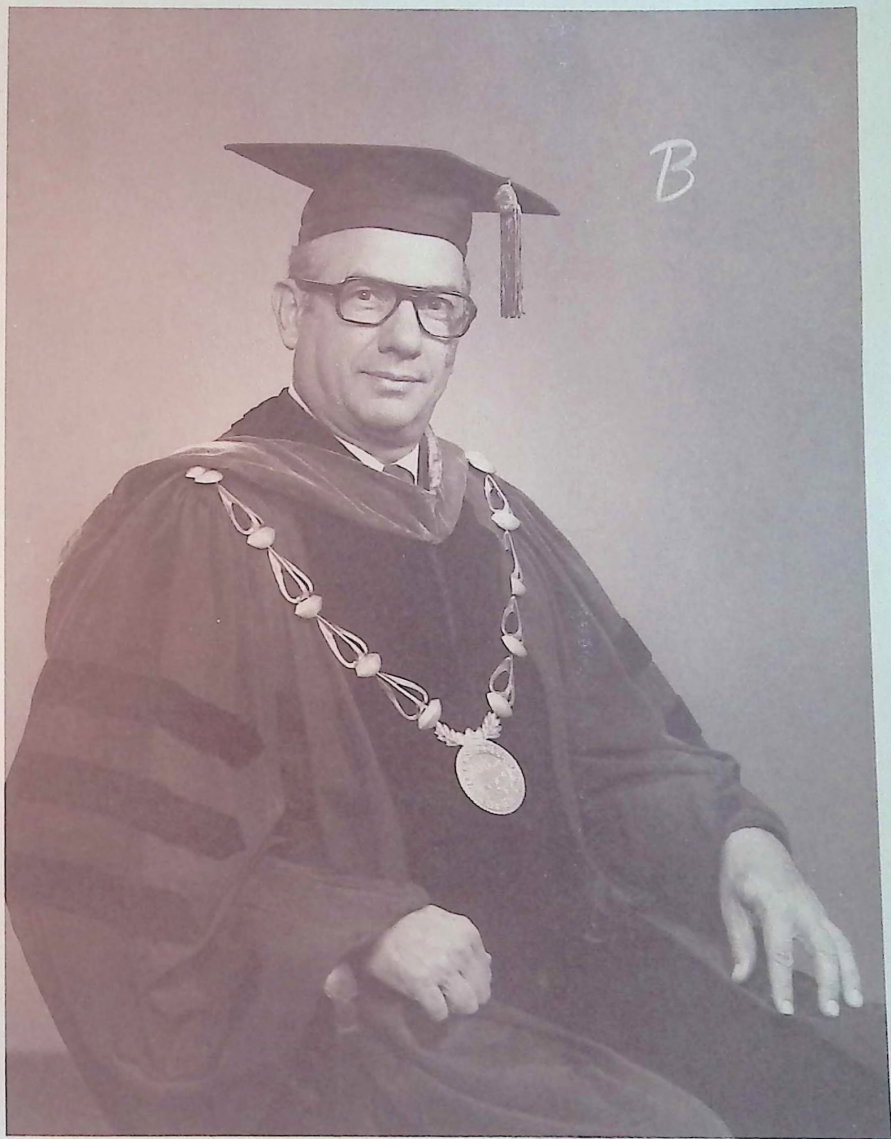
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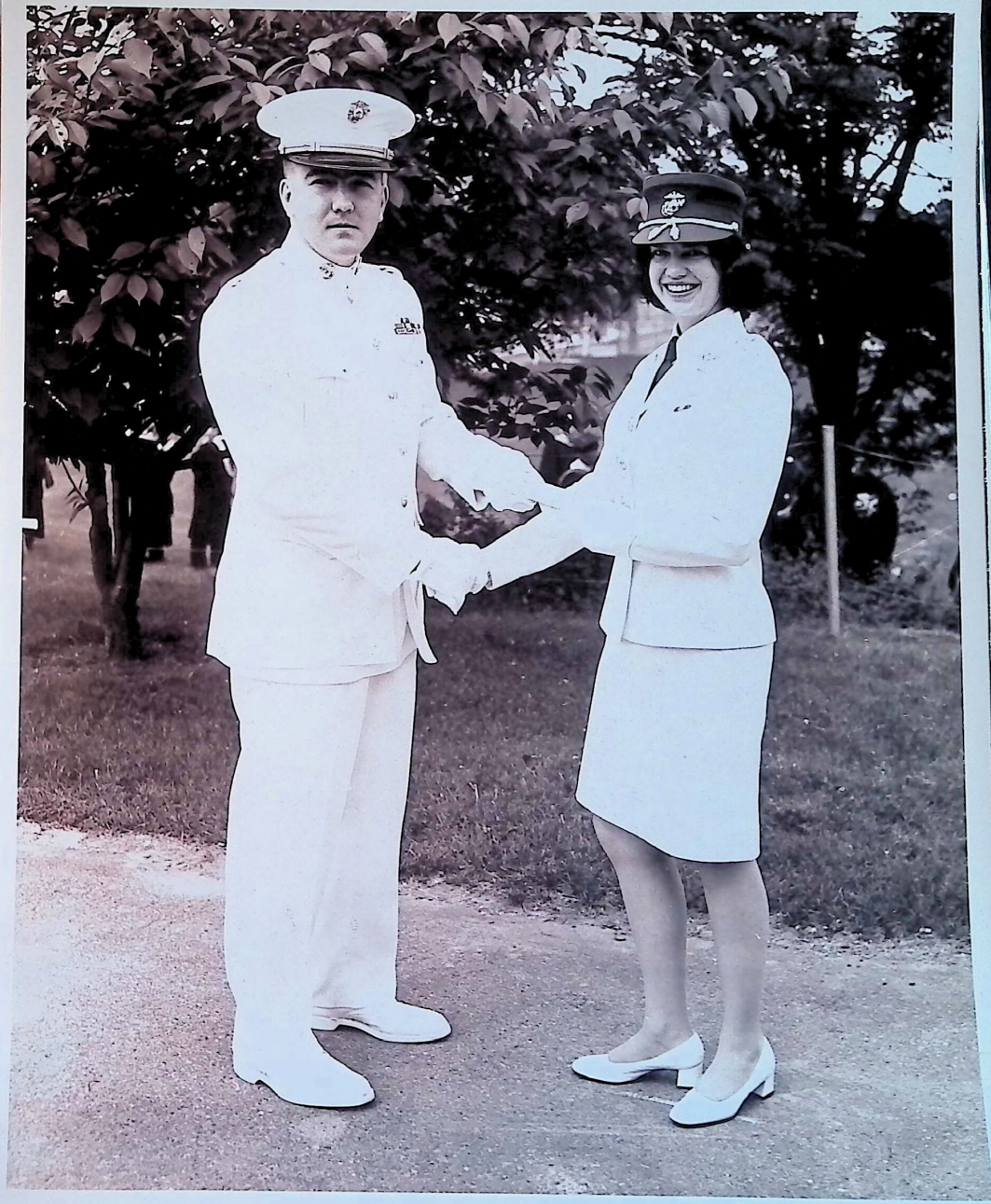






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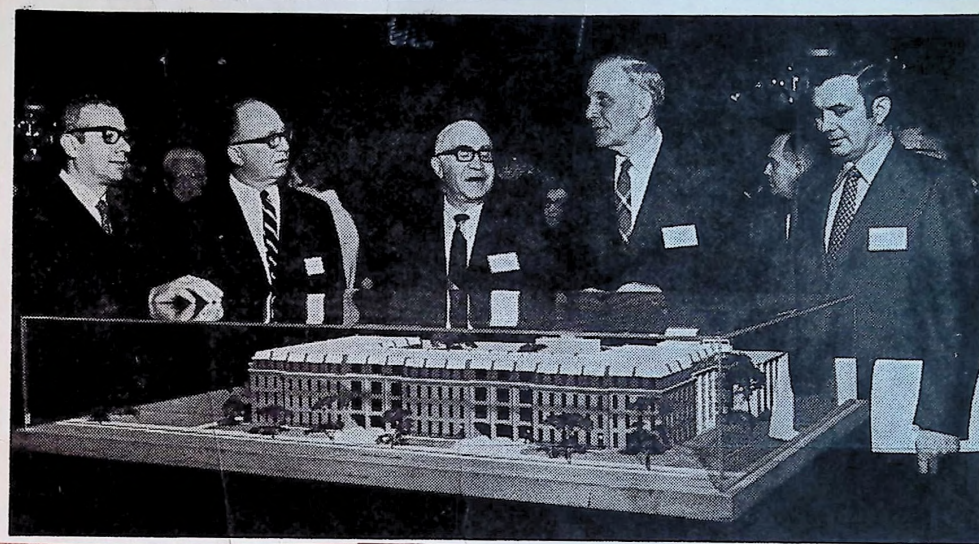


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From the desk of

THOMAS J. MORAN
PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR

November 4, 1975

Dear Mike and Ann Marie:

Some of these photographs may be duplicates, but sending them along is the safest procedure. When you get around to hanging up the photos in the den I will be down to inspect. Please let me know if there are any others you desire. Also sending the extra proofs of the portrait shots since Jim didn't ask for them and has the one that will be used for the official portrait.

Things are going along here in uneventful fashion. There is still the same feeling of insecurity beyond a working year, but despite hope that it will change I have a feeling that this worry will always be hanging over the job and the worries that are part of the job itself.

I am truly sorry that we will not be down on Saturday, but as usual I have made a commitment to Tommy and despite present mixed feelings I can't let him down. Joan will not accompany us since she is taking her real estate exams that day -- although she has not as yet received the necessary permit to take the exam. That could be a real mixup although she checked all the preliminary requirements and claims she

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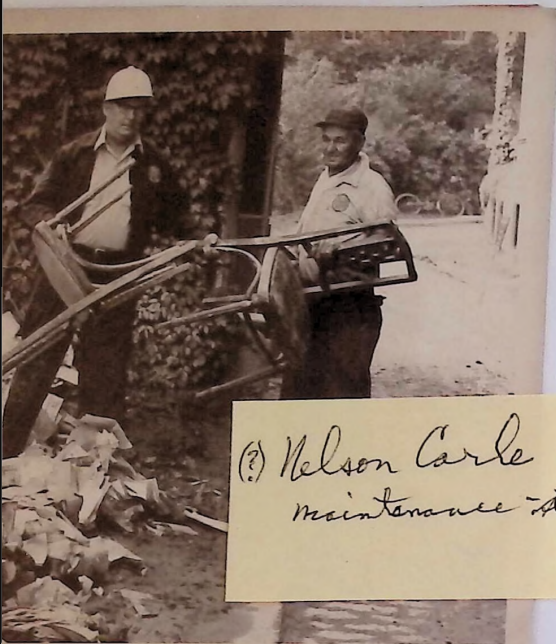
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Wilkes College President Francis J. Michelini and Frank Carlucci (right) deputy director of the Office of Management and Budget discuss the role of the area colleges in the reconstruction effort of the Wyoming Valley Community during a press conference held in the Board Room of Weckesser Hall on the college's campus in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.





Floor Recovery Task Force
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Dear Mike,

Enclosed with my compliments is a photo
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I thought you might like to have.

Warmest regards and best wishes.

*It was great to see you
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aged a bit since the flood.*

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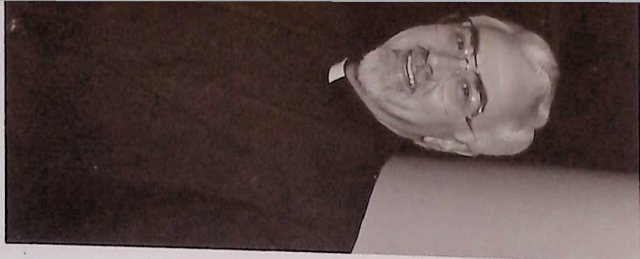
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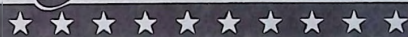
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In addition to serving as Secretary of Defense under President Ronald Reagan, Mr. Carlucci has served as Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs; Deputy Secretary of Defense; Deputy Director of Central Intelligence; Ambassador to Portugal; Under-Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare; and Associate Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

After leaving the Department of Defense in January 1989, Mr. Carlucci became president and chief operating officer of Sears World Trade, Inc., followed by a position as its chairman and chief executive officer. He is now vice-chairman of The Carlyle Group, a merchant bank in Washington, D.C. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Bell Atlantic Corp., General Dynamics Corp., The Quaker Oats Co., The Upjohn Co., Westinghouse Electric Corp., and the Board of Trustees for the RAND Corp.

His awards and honors include: Herbert Roback Memorial Award, 1989; George C. Marshall Award, 1989; Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, University of Scranton, 1989; Woodrow Wilson Award, 1988; James Forrestal Award, 1988; Presidential Citizens Award, 1983; National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal, 1981; Distinguished Intelligence Medal, 1981; Defense Department Distinguished Civilian Service Award, 1977; Health, Education, and Welfare Distinguished Civilian Service Award, 1975; and State Department Service Award, 1972.

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To name everyone who participated in the Flood Recovery effort would form an endless honor roll. Yet, we cannot let the selfless service of hundreds go unrecognized. We urge you, therefore, to see in the names of the Task Force officers and committee chairpersons the names of many others who also worked tirelessly on the Task Force to bring our community back from disaster.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Forty years after the explosive leak of the Pentagon Papers, a secret government study chronicling deception and misadventure in U.S. conduct of the Vietnam War, the report is coming out in its entirety on Monday.

The 7,000-page report was the WikiLeaks disclosure of its time, a sensational breach of government confidentiality that shook Richard Nixon's presidency and prompted a Supreme Court fight that advanced press freedom. Prepared near the end of Lyndon Johnson's term by Defense Department and private foreign policy analysts, the report was leaked primarily by one of them, Daniel Ellsberg, in a brash act of defiance that stands as one of the most dramatic episodes of whistleblowing in U.S. history.

The National Archives and presidential libraries are releasing the report in full, long after most of its secrets had spilled. The release is timed 40 years to the day after The New York Times published the first in its series of stories about the findings, **on June 13, 1971**. The papers showed that the Johnson, Kennedy and prior administrations had been escalating the conflict in Vietnam while misleading Congress, the public and allies.

As scholars pore over the 47-volume report, Ellsberg says the chance of them finding great new revelations is dim. Most of it has come out in congressional forums and by other means, and Ellsberg plucked out the best when he painstakingly photocopied pages that he spirited from a safe night after night, and returned in the mornings. He told The Associated Press the value in Monday's release was in having the entire study finally brought together and put online, giving today's generations ready access to it.

At the time, Nixon was delighted that people were reading about bumbling and lies by his predecessor, which he thought would take some anti-war heat off him. But if he loved the substance of the leak, he hated the leaker.

He called the leak an act of treachery and vowed that the people behind it "have to be put to the torch." He feared that Ellsberg represented a left-wing cabal that would undermine his own administration with damaging disclosures if the government did not crush him and make him an example for all others with loose lips. It was his belief in such a conspiracy, and his willingness to combat it by illegal means, that put him on the path to the Watergate scandal that destroyed his presidency.

Nixon's attempt to avenge the Pentagon Papers leak failed. First the Supreme Court

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backed the Times, The Washington Post and others in the press and allowed them to continue publishing stories on the study in a landmark case for the First Amendment. Then the government's espionage and conspiracy prosecution of Ellsberg and his colleague Anthony J. Russo Jr. fell apart, a mistrial declared because of government misconduct.

The judge threw out the case after agents of the White House broke into the office of Ellsberg's psychiatrist to steal records in hopes of discrediting him, and after it surfaced that Ellsberg's phone had been tapped illegally. **That September 1971 break-in** was tied to the Plumbers, a shady White House operation formed after the Pentagon Papers disclosures to stop leaks, smear Nixon's opponents and serve his political ends. The next year, the Plumbers were implicated in the break-in at the Democratic Party headquarters in the Watergate building.

Ellsberg remains convinced the report — a thick, often turgid read — would have had much less impact if Nixon had not temporarily suppressed publication with a lower court order and had not prolonged the headlines even more by going after him so hard. "Very few are going to read the whole thing," he said in an interview, meaning both then and now. "That's why it was good to have the great drama of the injunction."

The declassified report includes 2,384 pages missing from what was regarded as the most complete version of the Pentagon Papers, published in 1971 by Democratic Sen. Mike Gravel of Alaska. But some of the material absent from that version appeared — with redactions — in a report of the House Armed Services Committee, also in 1971. In addition, at the time, Ellsberg did not disclose a section on peace negotiations with Hanoi, in fear of complicating the talks, but that part was declassified separately years later.

The 40th anniversary provided a motivation for government archivists to declassify the records. "If you read anything on the Pentagon Papers, the last line is always, 'To date, the papers have yet to be declassified by the Department of Defense,'" said A.J. Daverede, director of the production division at the National Declassification Center. "It's about time that we put that to rest."

Central to the effort was the center, which is part of the National Archives. Established by a 2009 executive order from President Barack Obama, the center's mission is to speed up the declassification of government records.

Ellsberg served with the Marines in Vietnam and came back disillusioned. A protégé of Nixon adviser Henry Kissinger, who called the young man his most brilliant student, Ellsberg served the administration as an analyst, tied to the Rand Corporation. The report was by a team of analysts, some in favor of the war, some against it, some ambivalent, but joined in a no-holds-barred appraisal of U.S. policy and the fraught history of the region.

To this day, Ellsberg regrets staying mum for as long as he did.

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government to get us into war," he said. Johnson publicly vowed that he sought no wider war, Ellsberg recalled, a message that played out in the 1964 presidential campaign as Goldwater.

Meantime, his administration manipulated South Vietnam into asking for U.S. combat troops and responded to phantom provocations from North Vietnam with stepped-up force.

"It couldn't have been a more dramatic fraud," Ellsberg said. "Everything the president said was false during the campaign."

His message to whistleblowers now: Speak up sooner. "Don't do what I did. Don't wait until the bombs start falling."

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From: Bill Mulgrew
Sent: Nov 28, 2011 1:45 PM
To: Bill Mulgrew
Subject: The early years

Dear Auld gang,

The second installment of 'Get to know President Nixon'.
I have managed to find some early pictures of this man the liberals hate.
(attached)
Look, no horns and no cloven hoofs; gees what a dissapointment..

Saloo,*

Dad

Nixon--The Early Years

Nixon was born to [Francis A. Nixon](#) and [Hannah Milhous Nixon](#) on January 9, 1913, in a house his father built in Yorba Linda, California.^{[1][2]} His mother was a [Quaker](#) (his father converted from [Methodism](#) after his marriage), and his upbringing was marked by conservative Quaker observances of the time, such as refraining from alcohol, dancing, and swearing. Nixon had four brothers: [Harold](#) (1909-33), [Donald](#) (1914-87), [Arthur](#) (1918-25), and [Edward](#) (born 1930).^[3] Four of the five Nixon boys were named after kings who had ruled in historical or legendary England; Richard, for example, was named after [Richard the Lionheart](#).^[4]

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Nixon's early life was marked by hardship, and he later quoted a saying of Eisenhower to describe his boyhood: "We were poor, but the glory of it was, we didn't know it."^[5] The Nixon family ranch failed in 1922, and the family moved to Whittier, California. In an area with many Quakers, Frank Nixon opened a grocery store and gas station.^[6] Richard's younger brother Arthur died in 1925 after a short illness.^[7] At the age of twelve, Richard was found to have a spot on his lung, and with a family history of tuberculosis, he was forbidden to play sports. Eventually, the spot was found to be scar tissue from an early bout of pneumonia.^{[8][9]} Young Richard attended East Whittier Elementary School, where he was president of his eighth-grade class.^[10]

Frank and Hannah Nixon believed that attendance at Whittier High School had caused Richard's older brother Harold to live a dissolute lifestyle before the older boy fell ill of tuberculosis (he died of the disease in 1933). Instead, they sent Richard to the larger Fullerton High School.^{[11][12]} He received excellent grades, even though he had to ride a school bus for an hour each way during his freshman year—later, he lived with an aunt in Fullerton during the week.^[13] He played junior varsity football, and rarely missed a practice, even though he was rarely used in games.^[14] He had greater success as a debater, winning a number of championships and taking his only formal tutelage in public speaking from Fullerton's Head of English, H. Lynn Sheller. Nixon later remembered Sheller's words, "Remember, speaking is conversation ... don't shout at people. Talk to them. Converse with them."^[15]

Nixon stated that he tried to use the conversational tone as much as possible.^[15] Nixon's parents permitted him to transfer to Whittier High School for his junior year, beginning in September 1928. At Whittier High, Nixon suffered his first electoral defeat, for student body president. He generally rose at 4 a.m., to drive the family truck into Los Angeles and purchase vegetables at the market. He then drove to the store to wash and display them, before going to school. Harold had been diagnosed with tuberculosis the previous year; when Hannah Nixon took him to Arizona in the hopes of improving his health, the demands on Richard increased, causing him to give up football. Nevertheless Nixon graduated from Whittier High third in his class of 207 students.^[16]

Nixon was offered a tuition grant to attend Harvard University, but Harold's continued illness and the need for Hannah Nixon to care for him meant Richard was needed at the store. He remained in his hometown and attended Whittier College, his expenses there covered by a bequest from his maternal grandfather.^[17] Instead of fraternities and sororities, Whittier had literary societies. Nixon was snubbed by the only one for men, the Franklins; many members of the Franklins were from prominent families but Nixon was not. He responded by helping to found a new society, the Orthogonian Society.^[18] In addition to the society, schoolwork, and work at the store, Nixon found time for a large number of extracurricular activities, becoming a champion debater and gaining a reputation as a hard worker.^[19] In 1933, he became engaged to Ola Florence Welch, daughter of the Whittier police chief; the two broke up in 1935.^[20] After his graduation from Whittier in 1934, Nixon received a full scholarship to attend Duke University School of Law.^[21] The school was new and sought to attract top

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Wednesday, Nov 30 at 10:48 AM

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Fw: The early years

Dear Bill:

I was fascinated by this history of Richard Nixon.

As you may know I was President of Wilkes College in 1972 when Hurricane Agnes dumped billions of gallons of rain in the New York state watershed that fed the Susquehanna River. I won't go into my experience dealing with the flood but we had 58 college buildings, including the president's home, under three to eight feet of water. The only building spared was the visiting teams locker room at the athletic fields which happened to be the former shaft house for the elevators down into the coal mines on the Kingston side of the river. That was the only high spot in Kingston.

Anyway, our congressman was Dan Flood who you may remember. Dan was chair of the appropriations committees for Health, Education, and Welfare, which were still one department, and also Chair of the Defense Appropriations sub-committee.

Basically he had tremendous power over two-thirds of the budget of the U. S. He had power and knew how to use it.

With a name like Flood, and having been an amateur Shakespearean actor in his youth, he knew how to work the levers of power and worked with Warren Magnuson of Washington to pass the FIRST federal disaster relief act that included private institutions. Prior to that time there was only one instance of provision of federal funds to restore a private non-profit after a natural disaster. That was the 1964 earthquake in Alaska that severely damaged the only hospital in the area, which happened to be a Catholic hospital. Congress had appropriated funds to repair that hospital (before Alaska oil), and Dan and Maggie used that precedent to pass the Federal Disaster Relief Act, (precursor to the current FEMA). They did that in five weeks and passed the appropriation to fund it.

The institutions in the Wilkes Barre area were Wilkes College, Kings College, Mercy Hospital, Wyoming Seminary, Nesbitt Hospital. The damages to Wilkes were in the 12 to 14 million dollar range and our total endowment at the time was around \$3,000,000.

Anyway here is an interesting sequence of events.

The Watergate break in was June 20/21 of 1972: Hurricane Agnes and the subsequent flooding was June 23rd!

A lot of politics was going on with the Nixon re-election due in November of 1972 and a lot was in play in Washington as you can well imagine.

The initial leadership from Washington was from HUD then headed by George Romney, Mitt's father.

The response was a political disaster and Romney was soon replaced by a flood czar, a young Frank Carlucci from the state department who had made a front entrance defense of the embassy in the Congo (?) and through force of personality prevented an embassy takeover. He was the perfect leader and decision maker who reported directly to Nixon and he pulled Nixon's chestnuts out of the fire and orchestrated a September 9th visit to Wilkes-Barre to present Wilkes (me), a check for \$4,000,000, the first flood restoration money available to a private non-profit since Alaska!

He made a presentation speech which I have tape recorded with my response and personally signed two college statistical profiles which I have hanging with a photo of the event here on my basement wall.

Next to those photos I have a photo of Sen. Sam Ervin receiving an honorary degree from Wilkes two years later. He had just completed chairing the Watergate hearings that led to the impeachment of the President.

How about them apples!

I had a great life and don't often get to share memories so my apologies in advance for bending your ear.

Warm regards, Mike

P.S. If I were more technologically savvy I would copy and send photos but that's beyond my skill level.

On 11/29/11, "Mike" Micheline<micheline@earthlink.net> wrote:

students by offering scholarships.^[22] It paid high salaries to its professors, many of whom had national or international reputations.^[23] The number of scholarships was greatly reduced for second and third year students, forcing recipients into intense competition.^[22] Nixon not only kept his scholarship but was elected president of the Duke Bar Association^[24] and graduated third in his class in June 1937.^[21] He later wrote of his alma mater: "I always remember that whatever I have done in the past or may do in the future, Duke University is responsible in one way or another."^[25]

Second installment next e-mail.

*Cheers,

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Dear Dr. Michelini:

Herewith we are sending a Certificate of Appreciation for your service on the Regional Advisory Group of the Greater Delaware Valley Regional Medical Program.

This action, taken by that group at its meeting of December 11, 1974 was designed to give recognition to the many able people who have contributed their time and talents to the development of the actions of the Greater Delaware Valley Regional Medical Program.

We realize that such a Certificate is not an adequate expression of the gratitude owed you by those who have been aided by your efforts and that it is in no sense consonant with those efforts. It is, however, the only recognition we can give and it is given in the spirit of grateful acknowledgement.

May I take this opportunity to add my congratulations to those of the RAG for the devotion, involvement and effort you gave to that task.

Sincerely yours,

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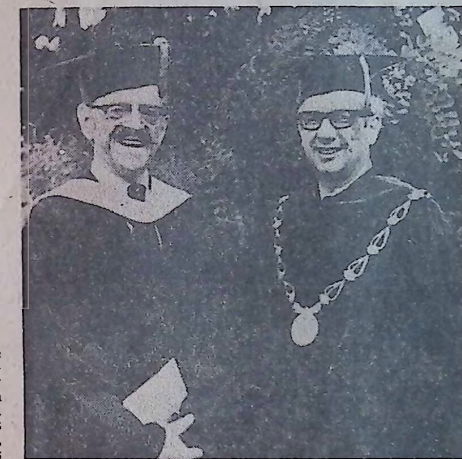
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adversity once again became progress.

"All 50 Wilkes buildings were under water to the second story level, the college president told me. The damage estimate? Neither of us could guess, except that it was well into the millions.

"In the next two months there ensued a human undertaking such as I had never experienced. Like a man inspired by the deity, Dr. Michellini worked, led, organized and encouraged, day and night, week after week. The desolated book collection in the out walls were scrubbed. Mud was shoveled. Furniture thrown away. The rebuilding was under way.

"I cannot answer how it was all accomplished. But by some miracle the Fall session began in September, only one week later than scheduled.

"As part of the historic Agnes recovery legislation which I sponsored, there were several forms of relief to colleges and universities. Dr. 'Mike' Michellini was a spearheading force behind the regional effort to assist in my legislation, and it should be recorded in the annals of this Congress that his leadership and dedication inspired those with whom he worked, his colleagues, and his representative in this House.

"The departure of 'Mike' Michellini from Wyoming Valley will leave its mark elsewhere than at Wilkes College. His community will feel the loss as well. He found time to serve as president of the Family Service Association of Wyoming Valley and on the boards of directors of the

Nesbitt Hospital, the United Way, the Wilkes-Barre Philharmonic Society, the Northeastern Pennsylvania Education Television Association, and the Osterhout Free Library. All of this, while pursuing significant assignments in numerous professional and educational associations and societies.

"As this unusual and dynamic leader of men departs of Northeastern Pennsylvania, I salute him for what he has done for higher education, for the trustees, faculty, students, alumni, thousands of friends and associates, I say, many thanks, and 'Ad Multos Anos'."

Excused If Bearded
ANKARA — The Turks long regarded facial hair as such a sign of truthfulness that a witness with a full beard was not required to take an oath. Moslems still swear "by the beard of the Prophet."

Golden Anniversary For City Couple
Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Lyons of 60 South View Manor celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, Mrs. Lyons is the former Lillian Faye Kile, of Wood Street, Wilkes-Barre.

The couple was married at the Westminster Parsonage. Their attendants were Mrs. Audry Moore, and Robert Lyons. Mr. and Mrs. Lyons have two sons, Donald of Wilkes-Barre, and Harold, of Lee Park, and nine grandchildren.



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Games were played in the open patio along with a smorgashord dinner. Entertainment was provided by Karen Williams on the guitar accompanied by

Susan Williams, Mimi Sigworth, Kathy Smith, and LuAnn Montigney. Members, spouses and friends were present.

Chairman of the affair was Hank Williams assisted by Steve Kawalec and John Marko. Honored guest was Harry R. Hershey, MS board member. —(Imar)

Wales Week Will Be Held In New York

For nearly a week—Aug. 25-31—New York will be overrun by the Welsh! Led by the Secretary of State for Wales, the Rt. Hon. John Morris, Q.C., M.P., they will include artists, musicians, and craftsmen of all kinds. One of the objects of Wales Week is to promote business links between the United States and the Principality.

But the Week also coincides with the National Gymnasia Ganu, an annual choral event which brings together American and Canadian people with a Welsh background.

This year's Gymnasia Ganu

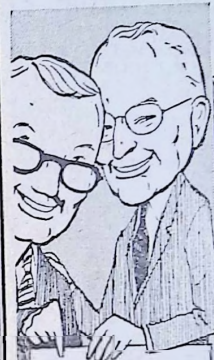
will take place in the room of the hotel on Aug. 31.

Notable scheduled to Gymnasia Ganu Morris on one of the choirs in Wales.

The choir operates on settings of Latin music, many national and extend choruses.

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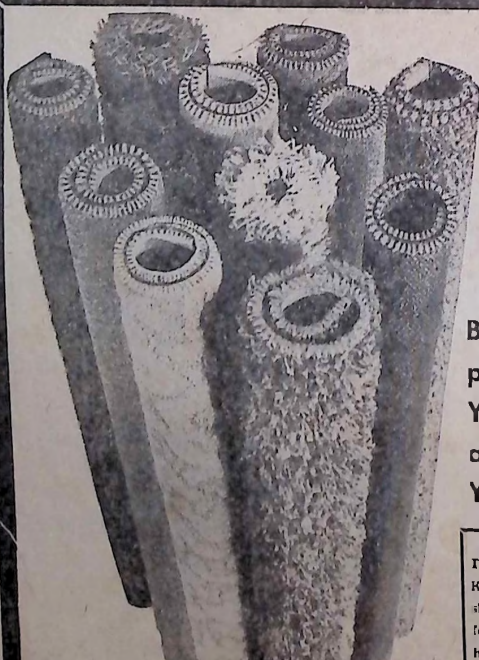
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"Scarcely had enough time lapsed for the burdens of office to confront the new Wilkes president, when in June 1972, the worst natural disaster in the history of this Republic, tropical storm Agnes, thrust down upon 17 states in the nation, hitting hardest in the Wyoming Valley and the district which I am privileged to represent in this Congress. Property damage alone in my region went well over the \$1 billion mark, and the

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Bad Dream
"On a hot and trying night following the disaster, Mike Michelini came into my emergency command post headquarters at the U.S. naval training station near the Airport at Avoca. It was then, in the moments of conversation, that the real meaning of trag-

edy set in. 'I don't know where to start this discussion, Dan, because it is all so hard to believe.' With hipboots laden with mud and clothes which became the flood victims' uniform, brown and dusty, 'Mike' Michelini laid out for me the impossible task which lay ahead. Yes, it was hard to believe, and the realities seemed like a bad dream. But we began, and because of Dr. Mike Michelini

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"In the next two months there ensued a human undertaking such as I had never experienced. Like a man inspired by the deity, Dr. Michelini worked, led, organized and encouraged, day and night, week after week. The desolated book collection in a brand new library was hauled out. Walls were scrubbed. Mud was shoveled. Furniture thrown away. The rebuilding was under way.

"I cannot answer how it was all accomplished. But by some miracle the Fall session began in September, only one week later than scheduled.

"As part of the historic Agnes recovery legislation which I sponsored, there were several forms of relief to colleges and universities. Dr. 'Mike' Michelini was the spearheading force behind the regional effort to assist in my legislation, and it should be recorded in the annals of this Congress that his leadership and dedication inspired those with whom he worked, his colleagues, and his representative in this House.

"The departure of 'Mike' Michelini from Wyoming Valley will leave its mark elsewhere than at Wilkes College. His community will feel the loss as well. He found time to serve as president of the Family Service Association of Wyoming Valley, and on the boards of directors of the

Nesbitt Hospital, the United Way, the Wilkes-Barre Philharmonic Society, the Northeastern Pennsylvania Education Television Association, and the Osterhout Free Library. All of this, while pursuing significant assignments in numerous professional and educational associations and societies.

"As this unusual and dynamic leader of men departs of Northeastern Pennsylvania, I salute him for what he has done for higher education, and for the trustees, faculty, students, alumni, thousands of friends and associates. I say, many thanks, and 'Ad Multos Annos'."

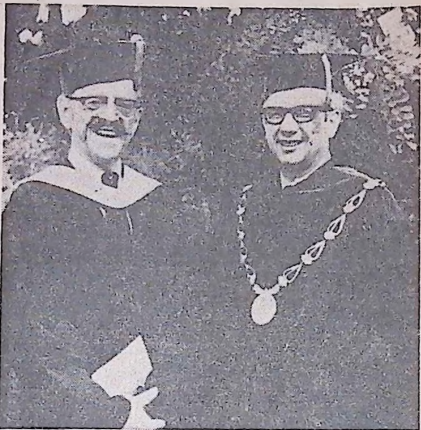
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ANKARA — The Turks long regarded facial hair as such a sign of truthfulness that a witness with a full beard was not required to take an oath. Moslems still swear "by the beard of the Prophet."

Golden Anniversary For City Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Lyons of 60 South View Manor celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Lyons is the former Lillian Faye Kile, of Wood Street, Wilkes-Barre.

The couple was married at the Westminister Parsonage. Their attendants were Mrs. Audry Moore, and Robert Lyons. Mr. and Mrs. Lyons have two sons, Donald of Wilkes-Barre, and Harold, of Lee Park, and nine grandchildren.



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Multiple Sclerosis Club Conducts Picnic



The Multiple Sclerosis Triangle Club picnic was held in the West ballroom of the Gus Genett Hotel.

Games were played in the open patio along with a smorgasbord dinner. Entertainment was provided by Karen Williams on the guitar accompanied by

Susan Williams, Mimi Sigworth, Kathy Smith, and LuAnn Montigney. Members, spouses and friends were present.

Chairman of the affair was Hank Williams assisted by Steve Kavalces and John Marko. Honored guest was Harry R. Hershey, MS board member. —(Imar)

Wales Week Will Be Held In New York

For nearly a week—Aug. 25-31—New York will be overrun by the Welsh! Led by the Secretary of State for Wales, the Rt. Hon. John Morris, O.C., M.P., they will include artists, musicians, and craftsmen of all kinds. One of the objects of Wales Week is to promote business links between the United States and the Principality.

But the Week also coincides with the National Gymanfa Ganu, an annual choral event which brings together American and Canadian people with a Welsh background.

This year's Gymanfa Ganu

will take place in the grand ballroom of the New York Hilton on Aug. 31.

Notable among the artists scheduled to perform in the Gymanfa Ganu, is the 100 strong Morriston Orpheus Male Choir, one of the leading male voice choirs in Wales.

The choir's repertoire includes operatic choruses, part songs, settings of Welsh hymn tunes, Latin motets, folk songs of many nations, Negro spirituals and extended works for male chorus.

Two soloists will appear with the choir—Nansi Richards and Nigel Hopkins; Lyn Harry who is well-known as a choral conductor, and conductor of Gymanfa Ganu, will conduct.

Teen-age girls have slightly more to spend than teen-age boys — \$6.10 a week compared to \$5.55 for ages 13 to 15 years — according to a youth poll.

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Daily Almanac

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Checks ranging from \$3 to \$174 will be mailed by the Veterans Administration in September to 2.2 million disabled veterans and 320,000 dependents who qualify for increases in their disability compensation and dependency indemnity compensation (DIC) signed into law by President Ford Aug. 5.

The increases of 10 to 12 percent were effective Aug. 1, but the change came too late to be incorporated in the checks to be mailed at the end of August, explained S. W. Meliosian, director of the Philadelphia VA Center.

A separate check for the amount of the increase will be mailed to beneficiaries during September, he said. The new rates will be reflected in checks to be mailed at the end of September and in all subsequent monthly checks. Total cost of the increases for the first year is \$450 million.

Meliosian emphasized that no application or inquiry is necessary. The increases will be made automatically by the agency, he explained.

Veterans with a 50 percent or less disability rating received a 10 percent increase in their monthly payments. Veterans with a greater disability rating and DIC beneficiaries received a 12 percent increase under the new law.

Monthly payments to single veterans with 10 percent disabilities were increased from \$32 to \$35. Veterans rated 100 percent under the general schedule were raised from \$584 to \$655. For the most severely disabled, the maximum amount was raised from \$1,454 to \$1,628 monthly.

Death Takes Etta Rubel

Mrs. Etta Rubel, a resident of the Jewish Home, formerly of 821 Monroe Ave., died Friday at home after an illness. She was the widow of Isaac Rubel, who died in 1940.

Born in Czechoslovakia, daughter of the late Nathan and Minnie Feibus Rubel, she resided in Dickson City most of her life and moved to Scranton in 1944. Mrs. Rubel was a member of Dickson City Synagogue and Machzikek Hadas Congregation.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Maurice B. Wilensky, Scranton; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be today at noon from Ziman Funeral Home, 612 Gibson St., with Rabbi Dr. Simon H. Shoop and Cantor Aaron Grilver, both of Temple Israel, officiating. Interment, Dalton Jewish Cemetery. Shiva will be observed at the Wilensky residence, 821 Monroe Ave.

Ringgold Band At Park Today

The Ringgold Band, under the direction of Ted Riggi, will present a public concert this afternoon at the Nay Aug Park band shell beginning at 2:45 o'clock.

The featured soloist will be Mrs. Dolores Dominick, who will sing selections from "The King and I," "Italian Street Song," "You Belong To My Heart," and the theme from Nino Rota's "Romeo and Juliet."

The concert is sponsored by the City of Scranton and the Music Performance Trust of Funda. The public is invited to attend free of charge.

Retiring Wilkes Head Hailed by Congressman

When Dr. Francis J. Micheline officially leaves his post as president of Wilkes College on Aug. 31, he will do so with the knowledge that his accomplishments over five years as the institution's chief executive officer are permanently recorded in a glowing tribute printed in the Congressional Record.

A copy of the Congressional Record of Friday, Aug. 1, was forwarded to Wilkes College and contained an address made on the floor of the House of Representatives by Cong. Daniel J. Flood.

Cong. Flood became a close friend of Dr. Micheline's over the five-year period and more particularly during the recovery period immediately following the Agnes flood in 1972. In a tribute to Dr. Micheline, Flood indicated he was deeply moved by the news that the 49-year-old college president was leaving.

A colleague of the congressman said Flood "had mixed feelings about Dr. Mike's decision to leave Wilkes College. He felt that the college and Wyoming Valley were losing an individual who had contributed greatly, but at the same time he was pleased by the fact that Dr. Micheline's decision meant an upward shift in his career as an educator in higher learning."

Dr. Mike, as he has been affectionately known for more than 20 years as a teacher, dean of academic affairs and as president, notified the board last May that he had, after much consideration, decided to accept a post that would allow him to continue his work in a critical area of higher education.

The local educator will assume his new duties on Sept. 1 as president of the commission for Independent Colleges and Universities (CICU) with headquarters in Harrisburg.

Portions of the tribute recorded in the Congressional Record of Aug. 1 are as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, during the course of the approaching recess of the Congress, the tenure of one of the Nation's truly outstanding college presidents will come to an end. Dr. Francis J. Micheline, for the last five years the president of Wilkes College in my home city of Wilkes-Barre, will complete his service as head of the great institution of higher learning in the heart of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

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KLEC Offers Class In Secretary Exam

KLEC (Keystone/Lackawanna Educational Cooperative) has agreed to work in cooperation with the National Secretaries Association, Scranton

Lions District Plays Host to State Council

Lions District 14-H, comprised of 14 clubs in Lackawanna, Wayne, Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties, is hosting the Pennsylvania Lions State Council meeting this weekend at the Sheraton Picasso Inn in White Haven.

Representatives of 95 state clubs, with a total membership of 28,000, are attending the sessions. Among the topics of discussion are sight conservation programs, leader dogs for the blind, Leo Clubs, Beacon Lodge Camp for the Blind, eye research projects, membership retention and the White Cane Program.

'Very Special' Carnival Set

A very special carnival will be held Wednesday on the campus of Wyoming Seminary, Kingston.

The proceeds of this carnival, like those from many others held throughout the country, will be used in the fight against muscular dystrophy. What is special about this one, is that it will be run by the children attending the day camp sponsored by the Luzerne County Association for Retarded Citizens (LuzARC).

These day campers, aged five to 21, will set up and man numerous booths, featuring

Chapter, in providing preparatory instruction for the Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) Examination. The CPS, given each May, is a comprehensive examination which qualifies secretaries in a varied array of clerical and administrative areas, and designates the successful participants as the very elite professional secretary.

The Institute for Certified Professional Secretaries, an affiliate of the National Secretary Association, is located at University of Wisconsin in Eau Claire. The institute numbers membership in this elite group at 7,000. It is believed that in the near future, executive secretaries will be judged by the CPS as accountants are the CPA.

The local chapter officers have worked closely with KLEC Director, William F. McCormack in preparing both an orientation session scheduled for Aug. 28, and a class schedule which will begin Sept. 15.

The preparatory courses, to be held in the fall term, will be Environmental Relationships in Business and Public Policy. Environmental Relationships deals with human interaction, particularly as it relates to psychology. Business and Public Policy relates to the legal considerations of internal and external business operations.

There two courses will be offered on Monday nights sequentially so that in 14 weeks both courses can be completed. In the spring semester, it is planned that courses will be offered which deal with management and economics sections of the test.

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Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Andrew Lentowski,

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Checks ranging from \$3 to \$174 will be mailed by the Veterans Administration in September to 2.2 million disabled veterans and 320,000 dependents who qualify for increases in their disability compensation and dependency indemnity compensation (DIC) signed into law by President Ford Aug. 5.

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KLEC Offers Class In Secretary Exam

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The Institute for Certified Professional Secretaries, an affiliate of the National Secretary Association, is located at University of Wisconsin in Eau Claire. The institute numbers membership in this elite group at 7,000. It is believed that in the near future, executive secretaries will be judged by the CPS as accountants are the CPA.

The local chapter officers have worked closely with KLEC Director, William F. McCormack in preparing both an orientation session scheduled for Aug. 28, and a class schedule which will begin Sept. 15.

The preparatory courses, to be held in the fall term, will be Environmental Relationships in Business and Business and Public Policy. Environmental Relationships deals with human interaction, particularly as it relates to psychology. Business and Public Policy relates to the legal considerations of internal and external business operations.

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A very special carnival will be held Wednesday on the campus of Wyoming Seminary, Kingston.

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In making the announcement, Dr. Kaska said that Seidman will teach two courses—Creative Writing and a Seminar in Contemporary Poetry—as well as being available for consultation three days a week. In addition, a reading of his works will be scheduled during the Fall Semester for the general public.

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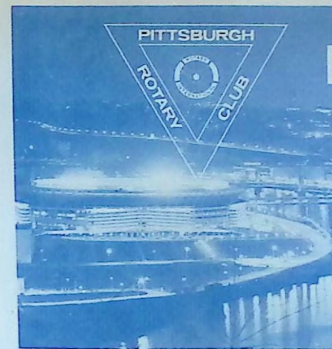
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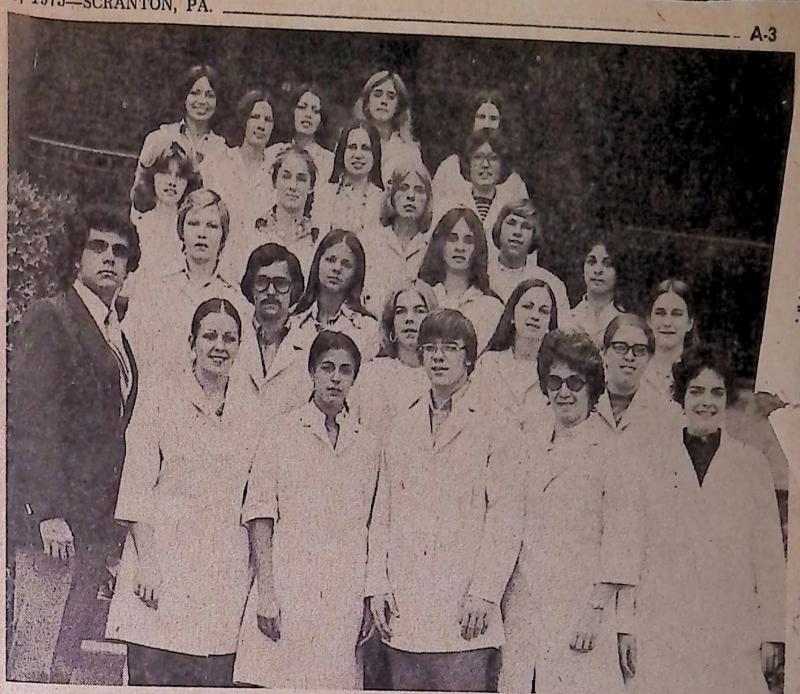
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Services at the Hazleton-Nanticoke MH-MR Center, arranged for the students to visit the Nanticoke unit where they were acquainted with the philosophy of community mental health and the varied services provided at the center.

Mr. Peters provided the students with a historical overview of the development of the community mental health concept. He explained how the centers are funded and outlined the inpatient, outpatient, partial hospitalization, consultation and education, and emergency services which the center is federally mandated to provide. In addition to the overview of services, the students received a total of three hours of in-depth orientation to component programs.

Rocco Palicare, director of nonhospital services, explained how a person requesting services is given an individualized treatment plan, which is constantly monitored by the base service unit. To illustrate this process, he took each student through the intake procedure. Thomas Gramley, administrative director of inpatient services, described how the crisis intervention model is used in psychiatric emergencies. Therapeutic community concept, in which patients take an active role in the assessment of their own and each others progress in treatment was also discussed.

Ray Whalen, director of partial hospitalization, explained the concept of the therapeutic community, methods of group interaction, and typical activities in the patients' day.

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Bill Eickley, a guidance counselor from Dresher, Pa., who sells Star Trek paraphernalia on the side, said the three-year series (1966 to 1969) produced "millions" of fans throughout the world.

Hickey, Greg Armstrong of Paulsboro, N.J., and many other fans said they like Star Trek because it offers hope for the future.

Armstrong wore a "science officer" patch on his blue Star Trek uniform shirt. A phaser model dangled from his belt.

"I always felt I live in the wrong century," said David at the press booth. As with the majority of other fans, it (the series) fulfills the wish to be in outer space."

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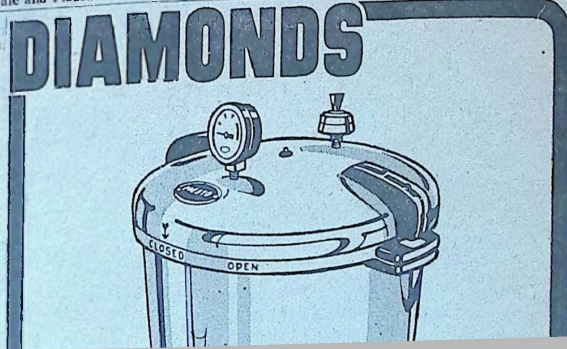
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Mr. DeFazio is now a supervisor in charge of the Miami Duty Station in Miami, Fla.

He was graduated from Scranton Central High School and the University of Scranton, and also served two years in the Army.

Mr. DeFazio is married to the former Earlene Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Graham of Iowa City, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. DeFazio formerly resided in Bowie, Md., and now live in Miami, Fla.

Named Manager

John Miles, a graduate of the University of Scranton class of 1974, has been named systems and programming manager in the U of S Computer Center according to an announcement by Rev. William J. Byron, E.J., president.

In his professional staff position, Mr. Miles will supervise systems and programming operations for the center. He will report to Walter J. Kanavy, director of the computer center.

Prior to accepting his new position, Miles was a systems programmer at In-Text. He received a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from the U of S.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Miles, 119 Willow St., Dunmore. He resides with his wife, the former Janet Gracik, at Parkland Village, Blakely. His wife is an employee of the U of S personnel office.



DR. JAMES TOOLE

Reappointed

A Wilkes College professor and resident of Wilkes-Barre has been appointed by Gov. Milton J. Shapp to the Trial Court Nominating Commission, representing a twenty-one county region (Area 4), for a two-year period.

Dr. James M. Toole, chairman of the Wilkes College Engineering Department, received a letter during the week from Gov. Shapp explaining the new responsibilities for the educator.

Dr. Toole had served on the first Judicial Nominating Commission and has now been reappointed as a "floating" member since the initial Executive Order, creating the commission, had been amended in March, 1975.

The purpose of the commission is to assist the Government in carrying out his desire to appoint to judicial office, only those members of the Bar who are best fitted for the position because of their learning, experience, character and temperament.

Dr. Toole will be active in the Area 4 counties of Lehigh, Northampton, Schuylkill, Carbon, Monroe, Pike, Northumberland, Columbia, Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne, Snyder, Union, Montour, Wyoming, Susquehanna, Bradford, Sullivan, Lycoming, Clinton and Tioga.

The Trial Court Nominating Commission will consider all recommendations for nominations and will nominate qualified and eligible persons for appointments to all Pennsylvania trial courts, such as: The courts of common pleas, the community courts, the Philadelphia Municipal Court and the Traffic Court of Philadelphia.

Data Is Available On Car Equipment

Disabled veterans who plan soon to replace or purchase adaptive equipment for their automobiles have met safety and quality standards following the first phase of a new Veterans Administration testing program.

Wilkes Chief Is Flood Topic In Congress

When Dr. Francis J. Micheline officially leaves his post as president of Wilkes College on Aug. 31, he will do so with the knowledge that his accomplishments over five years as the institution's chief executive officer are permanently recorded in a glowing tribute printed in the Congressional Record.

A copy of the Congressional Record of Friday, Aug. 1, was forwarded to Wilkes College and contained an address made on the floor of the House of Representatives by Rep. Daniel J. Flood.

Congressman Flood became a close friend of Dr. Micheline's over the five-year period and more particularly during the recovery period immediately following the Agnes flood in 1972. In a tribute to Dr. Micheline, Cong. Flood indicated he was deeply moved by the news that the 49-year-old college president was leaving.

A colleague of the congressman said Flood "had mixed feelings about Dr. Mike's decision to leave Wilkes College. He felt that the college and Wyoming Valley were losing an individual who had contributed greatly, but at the same time he was pleased by the fact that Dr. Micheline's decision meant an upward shift in his career as an educator in higher learning."

Dr. Mike, as he has been affectionately known for more than 20 years as a teacher, dean of academic affairs and as president, notified the board last May that he had, after much consideration, decided to accept a post that would allow him to continue his work in a critical area of higher education.

The local educator will assume his new duties on Sept. 1 as the president of the Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities (CICU) with headquarters in Harrisburg. His mission will be aimed at calling the public's attention to the critical problems and issues which face the private sector of higher education in the state and nation.

The Congressional Record of Aug. 1 shows the following tribute to the Wilkes College president by Cong. Flood:

"Mr. Speaker, during the course of the approaching recess of the Congress, the tenure of one of the Nation's truly outstanding college presidents will come to an end. Dr. Francis J. Micheline, for the last 5 years the president of Wilkes College in my home city of Wilkes-Barre, will complete his service as head of this great institution of higher learning in the heart of northeastern Pennsylvania.

"Dr. Mike, as he is warmly referred to by his many friends, is turning his vast energy resources to a new direction, as he assumes the presidency of the Pennsylvania Commission for Independent Colleges and Universities, another challenging position which calls for the abilities of a dynamic leader, such as I know Dr. Micheline to be.

"The mantle of power and the insignia office were entrusted to Dr. Micheline in 1970 when he was named the second president of Wilkes succeeding Dr. Eugene Farley, the founding president whose reputation and name linger among the giants of education. To fill the shoes of a man like Gene Farley was a gamble where the odds were difficult. But Dr. Micheline rose to the occasion, as he soon exhibited the same characteristics of the man he followed. Dr. Farley told me before his death that Mike Micheline was his personal choice for the president's job, because his years of experience and sensitivities to the needs of the human spirit and man's pursuit of education were well embodied in his successor. How right he was, as the years to follow would illustrate.

"Scarcely had enough time lapsed for the burdens of office to confront the new Wilkes president, when in June 1972, the worst natural disaster in the history of this Republic, tropical storm Agnes, thrust down upon 17 States in the Nation, hitting hardest in the Wyoming Valley and the district which I am privileged to represent in this Congress. Property damage alone in my region went well over the \$1 billion mark, and the beautiful sprawling Wilkes College along the banks of the Susquehanna lay in the eye of devastation.

"On a hot and trying night following the disaster, Mike Micheline came into my emergency command post headquarters at the U.S. naval training station near the Airport at Avoca. I was then, in the moments of conversation, that the real meaning of tragedy set in. 'I don't know where to start this discussion, Dan, because it is all so hard to believe.' With hipboots laden with mud and clothes which became the flood victims' uniform, brown and dusty, Mike Micheline laid out for me the impossible task which lay ahead. Yes, it was hard to believe, and the realities seemed like a bad dream. But we began, and because of Dr. Mike Micheline, adversity once again became progress.



35 Complete Special Course

Orientation of Nurses Ends

Pictured above are some of the 35 student nurses from the Scranton State General Hospital School of Nursing who recently completed an orientation to Community mental health services. Mrs. Rosemary McGuigan, bottom right, chairwoman of the

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Services at the Hazleton-Nanticoke M.H.M.R. Center, arranged for the students to visit the Nanticoke unit where they were acquainted with the philosophy of community mental health and the varied services provided at the center.

Mr. Peters provided the students with a historical overview of the development of the community mental health concept. He explained how the centers are funded and outlined the inpatient, outpatient, partial hospitalization, consultation and education, and emergency services which the center is federally mandated to provide. In addition to the overview of services, the students received a total of three hours of in-depth orientation to component programs.

Rocco Policare, director of nonhospital services, explained how a person requesting services is given an individualized treatment plan which is constantly monitored by the base service unit. To illustrate this process, he took each student through the intake procedure. Thomas Gramley, administrative director of inpatient services, described how the crisis intervention model is used in psychiatric emergencies. Therapeutic community concept, in which patients take an active role in the assessment of their own and each others progress in treatment was also discussed.

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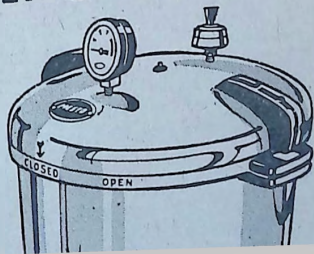
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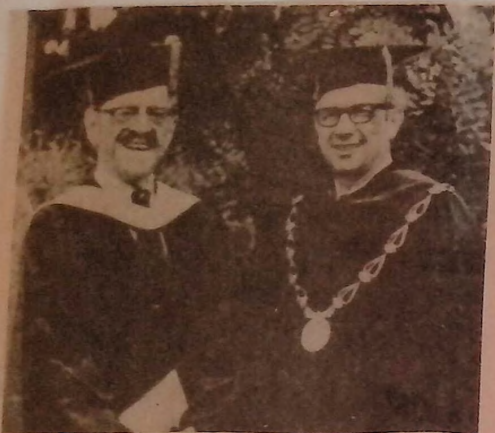
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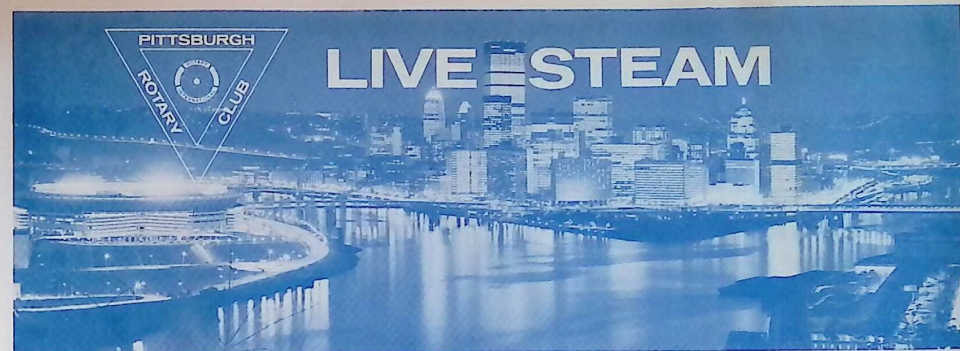
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One of our valued subscribers and former editor of New Castle Rotary's "Rotor Scope" E. Russell Connelly, is intrigued by our many references to Rodeo in "Live Steam" and he wants to know who takes care of all the buckin' broncos. To give Russ the low down, we are reprinting an article written by BOB BARRETT which appeared in the April 11, 1973 issue of "Live Steam", as follows:-

"The question often asked particularly by the new members is, "What is Rodeo?" As the same implies, it is a round-up of those with the best attendance at Rotary meetings.

Rodeo had its beginning in 1925, when our Club was in competition with the Buffalo Rotary Club for attendance records. It was felt that membership in Rodeo would have certain alluring advantages that would inspire members to improve their attendance. To become eligible, a member was required to attend fifty-two consecutive meetings of the Rotary Club.

For two years the idea lay dormant, but was revived in December 1927, when a Constitution and By-Laws were drafted and an initiation ritual was written. The requirement for eligibility of membership was reduced to fifty meetings of continuous attendance of Rotary. The Rotary Club office reports to Rodeo when a member has met this requirement, then Rotary's jurisdiction ceases. Since Rodeo is an entity in itself, it has its own officers, Constitution, By-Laws, dues, initiation fees, meetings, etc.

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The Old Wrangler Goes Hiking



Any body want to go for a ten mile walk on April 6? Not only will it do your old blood good, but you would be helping the Pennsylvania Association for Retarded Citizens.

But if the very thought of a ten mile hike makes your bones ache, you could ask LEO McDONOUGH or HANK HANEKEN to take the hike for you.

And to make them feel better about their long walk, if you would pledge your dollars for every mile they walk... well, just about everybody would be happier! Give Leo or Hank a call and tell them whether you want to hike or pay them to hike for you... it's all for sweet charity!

Did You Know?



Some of our best members are making some changes in their lives. DOUG CUSHMAN, a member since 1951 and a loyal advertiser in "Live Steam" for many years, is going to retire... in fact he practically is retired. He owned the Campbell-Horgan Company which manufactures and sells monuments. Always good to see Doug at the first table on the right in the Terrace Room, visiting with Mac McClINTOCK, BILL HAGEL, JACK WORKMASTER and CONNIE MILROTH.

Another man on the move is FRANK BOWEN who has "retired" from Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. and is setting up his own office called F. Bowen Associates, Inc., in the Pittsburgh National Bank Headquarters Building. He tells me he can still take care of any of your insurance needs from there. The Tattler is ever listening for news of our members, so if you're doing anything newsworthy or know any fellow Rotarian who is... call the Rotary Office and they'll relay your news to The Tattler... thank you!

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He also is currently serving as chairman of Region 3, Regional Planning Council, one of 10 regional groups established by the Pennsylvania Department of Education to coordinate planning for all post-secondary education in various areas of the state.

One of the high points of achievement came immediately after the 1972 flood, which caused in excess of \$14-million damage to the college, and, in the eyes of many, was close to a point of total devastation.

The day the water receded "Dr. Mike" had gathered all the volunteers he could find - college personnel who had rushed back, as well as many friends and just plain strangers who were to quickly become friends - and began the task of getting the college back in operation.

As a result of his leadership and the combined efforts of many who worked 16 hours a day, seven days a week, the Summer College classes were able to resume despite curfews and temporary power in little more than one week after the water had gone down. Because of the assignment of priorities, all major buildings required for classroom and dormitory use were functional in 89 days and the academic year began, to the surprise of many, just one week behind normal schedule.

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RAY TUCKER was on the program as guest speaker at the Oakland Rotary Club's 31st Birthday Party last week... incidentally, Ray will be attending his last meeting at Pittsburgh Rotary on April 9... then he and Fran take off for LaJolla... why not come out and give Ray a good luck send-off?



One of our valued subscribers and former editor of New Castle Rotary's "Rotor Scope" E. Russell Connelly, is intrigued by our many references to Rodeo in "Live Steam" and he wants to know who takes care of all the buckin' broncos. To give Russ the low down, we are reprinting an article written by BOB BARRETT which appeared in the April 11, 1973 issue of "Live Steam", as follows:—

"The question often asked particularly by the new members is, "What is Rodeo?" As the same implies, it is a round-up of those with the best attendance at Rotary meetings.

Rodeo had its beginning in 1925, when our Club was in competition with the Buffalo Rotary Club for attendance records. It was felt that membership in Rodeo would have certain alluring advantages that would inspire members to improve their attendance. To become eligible, a member was required to attend fifty-two consecutive meetings of the Rotary Club.

For two years the idea lay dormant, but was revived in December 1927, when a Constitution and By-Laws were drafted and an initiation ritual was written. The requirement for eligibility of membership was reduced to fifty meetings of continuous attendance of Rotary. The Rotary Club office reports to Rodeo when a member has met this requirement, then Rotary's jurisdiction ceases. Since Rodeo is an entity in itself, it has its own officers, Constitution, By-Laws, dues, initiation fees, meetings, etc.

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The Old Wrangler Goes Hiking



Any body want to go for a ten mile walk on April 6? Not only will it do your old blood good, but you would be helping the Pennsylvania Association for Retarded Citizens.

But if the very thought of a ten mile hike makes your bones ache, you could ask LEO McDONOUGH or HANK HANEKEN to take the hike for you.

And to make them feel better about their long walk, if you would pledge your dollars for every mile they walk... well, just about everybody would be happier! Give Leo or Hank a call and tell them whether you want to hike or pay them to hike for you... it's all for sweet charity!

Did You Know?



Some of our best members are making some changes in their lives. DOUG CUSHMAN, a member since 1951 and a loyal advertiser in "Live Steam" for many years, is going to retire... in fact he practically is retired. He owned the Campbell-Horigan Company which manufactures and sells monuments. Always good to see Doug at the first table on the right in the Terrace Room, visiting with Mac McClINTOCK, BILL HAGEL, JACK WORKMASTER and CONNIE MILROTH.

Another man on the move is FRANK BOWEN who has "retired" from Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. and is setting up his own office called F. Bowen Associates, Inc., in the Pittsburgh National Bank Headquarters Building. He tells me he can still take care of any of your insurance needs from there. The Tattler is ever listening for news of our members, so if you're doing anything newsworthy or know any fellow Rotarian who is... call the Rotary Office and they'll relay your news to The Tattler... thank you!

This Week

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He also is currently serving as chairman of Region 3, Regional Planning Council, one of 10 regional groups established by the Pennsylvania Department of Education to coordinate planning for all post-secondary education in various areas of the state.

One of the high points of achievement came immediately after the 1972 flood, which caused in excess of \$14-million damage to the college, and, in the eyes of many, was close to a point of total devastation.

The day the water receded "Dr. Mike" had gathered all the volunteers he could find — college personnel who had rushed back, as well as many friends and just plain strangers who were to quickly become friends — and began the task of getting the college back in operation.

As a result of his leadership and the combined efforts of many who worked 16 hours a day, seven days a week, the Summer College classes were able to resume despite curfews and temporary power in little more than one week after the water had gone down. Because of the assignment of priorities, all major buildings required for classroom and dormitory use were functional in 89 days and the academic year began, to the surprise of many, just one week behind normal schedule.

A tireless worker and an ardent believer in maintaining the college's responsibility to the community, President Michelini has never turned down a request to assist an organization or an individual.

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Tokyo, Japan Makes Ready For 1978

From a recent issue of the "Tokyo Weekly" published by the Tokyo Rotary Club we quote the following:-

"R. I. 1978 Convention Fund

In preparation for the 1978 Rotary International Convention to be hosted by the Tokyo Rotary Club, members are requested to pay Y1,000 for the fund together with their membership dues."

At the prevailing money exchange, the conversion rate is 300 yen to one American dollar. Tokyo's Club membership is approximately 377.

From all reports of the 1961 Convention which was held in Tokyo, it was one of the largest and best organized of all Rotary conventions. 1978 should be another exciting event for Rotary.

Rodeo

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It was not then, nor is it now, mandatory to join Rodeo after you have fifty consecutive Rotary meetings to your credit. However, you were not a member until you had offered yourself for initiation. After this ritual you would be entitled to have the initial **R** on your Rotary badge.

Originally the meetings were held each second Monday evening in the month except July and August, and dinner preceded the program. Apart from the initiation, interesting talks were given by members on a variety of subjects. On occasion, meetings were held at some Rotarian's place of business and having dinner on the premises.

The initiation fee then was \$1 and dues were \$1 per year. Meetings generally were held in the Dutch Room of the Fort Pitt Hotel.

Procedures have changed somewhat over the years, but the idea of regular attendance at Rotary meetings is the principle objective of Rodeo.

(Past President Leigh DeCoursey, now deceased, was the originator and guiding force of Rodeo for many years... we salute his memory with affection.)

LEW DOUGHTON is President of Rodeo for 1975.

Luck in fishing is like luck in getting orders - ten percent is knowing where to go, ninety percent is going there.

Board Meeting Review



The March Meeting of the Board was attended by WALTER CLOUSE, EARL GADBERY, FRANK MAZUR, BOB MOHLER, BOB QUINN, DONN SAUNDERS and PRESIDENT JIM JACOBS, who presided.

The resignation of DUTCH DECKER was accepted with deepest regret; (Dutch has accepted an assignment outside Pittsburgh and will be leaving us in the next month or so).

Four proposals for membership were approved for invitation and will be published upon receipt of their applications.

Four members have been elevated to the Senior Active status on the basis of years membership combined with age... FRANK BOWEN, JACK McLAIN, and RAY CALLAHAN. RAY TUCKER was granted Senior Active Membership which will permit him to live outside Pittsburgh territory and continue his membership with Pittsburgh Rotary. (This is one of the many privileges of Senior Active Membership.)

It was noted that there will be a small increase in luncheon costs as of June 1, 1975.

Financial Statement as of February 28, 1975 was reviewed and will be filed for audit.

Several other items were considered and appropriate action taken.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for April 15, at which time PRESIDENT JIM JACOBS will welcome the newly elected officers and directors. PRESIDENT-ELECT BOB STODT will hold a brief organizational meeting with his officers and directors immediately following Jim's Meeting.

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New Date Set

Because of a change in plans, PROGRAM CHAIRMAN LEE HICKS announces a new date for Secretaries' Day... it is WEDNESDAY, MAY 7... in the Pittsburgh Room, William Penn Hotel.

So cancel that previous date of April 16 and tell your Secretary to hold Wednesday, May 7, when the program will be presented by Father Tom Smith, and his Good Time Company. "The singing and dancing priest who has to be seen to be believed!"

Ben Franklin said: "A man who falls in love with himself will have no rivals."

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WHY WORK?

"The federal government is now assisting those who have not previously been covered by the unemployment tax, such as the domestics and farm workers.

What is frightening to many people today is the new philosophy both the state and federal governments have adopted concerning work. It is a philosophy adopted also by many young people - "Why should I work if I can get someone else to pay my way?"

We understand that a national teachers' organization is now lobbying concerning unemployment benefits for the three months they are not teaching school (this is the truth)."



Table Tidbits

Amitava Bhattacharjee from currently studying at CMU, is set to be our student guest this v day.

WALTER KIRCH enjoyed his v the Coral Gables Rotary Club brought us several copies of the weekly "Rotarygram" reviewing of the interesting programs heard while vacationing in Flori

Our sympathy to TOM BREN the recent death of his brother T., of Manor, Pa.

We read in the Georgia "News" after "practicing" for a full ERNIE BUCKMAN carried off to flight of the Sea Island Spring Tournament Saturday, March 15 tor's query:- "Is that a tough co

MAURY YEISER attended to Jose - West Club recently and t back an interesting copy of "Westerner" published weekly to Club.

From the Houston Rotary "Log" we note that as of April Sheraton-Houston Hotel will t official home and meeting place Houston Rotary, since the Rice is scheduled to close on March Mark your travel book for this ci

Nice to see LOUIE EVANS last nesday... he came back to visi us for a few days... then goes to Kansas where he is spending winter!

Our condolences to HERMAN and BILL SIMPSON. Herman's t Antonio, from Altoona died on 18 and BILL's aunt, Mrs. F Simpson from Nicholasville, Ker passed away last week.

BOB STEVENSON is a busy these days... in addition to ass the District with its Hockey T ment, Bob is showing a slide pre: tion of Brasilia, a story of a world capitol sliced out of a wide in fifteen years. North Boros F enjoyed the show this week.

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adoption of new practices.

I appreciate your requesting my views on
this.

Sincerely,

OTTO C. DOERING III,
Assistant Professor.

P.S.—A literal interpretation of the top of
page 4, turning all experiment forms into
minimum petroleum use forms would be
neither helpful nor desirable!

CAPTIVE NATIONS WEEK

HON. SAMUEL S. STRATTON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 1, 1975

Mr. STRATTON. Mr. Speaker, earlier
this summer we marked the 17th observa-
ance of Captive Nations Week, as well as
the anniversary of one of the sad events
which led to the creation of this special
week. Thirty-five years ago, July 14 and
15, 1940, a mock election of Soviet-im-
posed "people's parliaments" took place
in the Baltic States of Estonia, Latvia,
and Lithuania. Passive resistance at that
time to the authority of the Red Army,
resistance which came in the form of an
election boycott by many Baltic freedom
fighters, was of no avail, however, as
Russian intimidation forced most citi-
zens to the polls. The lone slate on the
ballot in each country, one comprised of
Communists, the new Governments of
Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania immedi-
ately agreed to become provinces of the
Soviet Union and the free people of those
countries have been subjected to Russian
rule ever since.

As we in the United States prepare to
celebrate the 200th anniversary of our
Declaration of Independence, the citi-
zens of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and
the other captive nations of the world
can only dream of former and future
freedom. For them, our independence
represents hope; hope that one day they
will be free of the shackles of unwanted
communism. These brave men and wom-
en are prisoners in a society they did not
choose, and they turn to us for inspira-
tion. They can see the strength of our
way of life as it overcomes internal dif-
ficulties like Watergate with justice
rather than with repression and violence.

While our country encourages and
strives for détente with the Soviet Union,
we must not lose sight of Russia's history
of suppression of freedom. Nor should we
abandon our efforts to continue to work
for the freedom of these captive na-
tion's still under Soviet suppression.
When the independent nations that sur-
rounded Russia's borders fell one by one
to the Red Army, the eyes of their citi-
zens looked to the United States as their
one hope for emancipation. They still
look to us today. With the improvement
of Soviet-American relations and the
cultural exchange now taking place be-
tween our countries the much needed
impetus for new freedom in Russia may
perhaps become possible. In the spirit of
our Constitution, we must continue to

work through détente to "secure the
blessings of liberty" for the people of the
captive nations of the world.

CONSIDER THOSE WHO FOOT THE BILL

HON. EDWARD J. DERWINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 1, 1975

Mr. DERWINSKI. Mr. Speaker, we
have had a growing problem across the
country with strikes, work stoppage, and
disruption of service by groups of public
employees.

It is my firm conviction that public
employees have a basic responsibility to
render the service called for by the
unit of government in which they serve.

It is my opinion that public employees
should not be allowed to strike. One can
only look at the conditions that strikes
have brought to Italy, Great Britain,
France, and other nations, and hope
that such an irresponsible pattern of be-
havior does not become a part of the
American Government scene.

An editorial, which appeared in the
Park Forest, Ill. Reporter, a publica-
tion truly dedicated to serving the citi-
zens in its area of coverage, places special
emphasis on a local situation in Park
Forest. But this is a logical commentary
that can be applied to the national pic-
ture.

The editorial follows:

CONSIDER THOSE WHO FOOT THE BILL

The employees of the Village of Park
Forest are upset about the fact that their
raise in salary only amounted to three per-
cent. They registered their complaint at last
week's board meeting in a responsible way
but, however justified their complaint may
be, we consider them lucky to have gotten a
raise at all.

Public employees and those working under
strict union rules are in the unique position
of having their cake and eating it too. Public
employees have job security to a much higher
degree than those in private business and, for
the most part, their salaries are commensu-
rate with the salaries of those who do not
have public service employment.

And public employees have a responsibility
to the people they serve, because the jobs
public employees perform are basic services
which protect the health and welfare of
each and every citizen. Without government
services the day to day activities of all of us
would come to a screeching halt.

Unions too, have our country over the
barrel. They have gotten so big and so power-
ful that politicians court them and big busi-
ness acquiesces to their demands. After all,
buying only passes along the increases to the
buying public, often tacking on additional
profits to line corporate pockets.

Call it inflation, something we prefer to
identify as greed. It is only natural to want
more of the good life, but those desires can
develop into greed when the demand for
compensation outweighs the value of the
service performed or the goods delivered.

The constant quest for more and more
has to stop somewhere. Detroit has learned
that people will not pay for over-priced
automobiles and the unions have noth-
ing to say about who gets laid off.

So, too, public employees must learn to
stop somewhere. No one can fault people who

complain about starvation wages—hardly a
situation here in Park Forest. The taxpayer,
through the collective voice of the Park
Forest Village Board, has taken.

To those who remain dissatisfied we can
only extend an invitation to seek employ-
ment elsewhere. That's what people employed
in private enterprise have to do. Any takers?

DR. FRANCIS J. MICHELINI RETIRES
AS PRESIDENT OF WILKES
COLLEGE

HON. DANIEL J. FLOOD

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 1, 1975

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, during the
course of the approaching recess of the
Congress, the tenure of one of the Na-
tion's truly outstanding college presi-
dents will come to an end. Dr. Francis
J. Micheline, for the last 5 years the
president of Wilkes College in my home
city of Wilkes-Barre, will complete his
service as head of this great institution
of higher learning in the heart of north-
eastern Pennsylvania.

"Dr. Mike," as he is warmly referred
to by his many friends, is turning his
vast energy resources to a new direction,
as he assumes the presidency of the
Pennsylvania Commission for Independ-
ent Colleges and Universities, another
challenging position which calls for the
abilities of a dynamic leader, such as I
know Dr. Micheline to be.

The mantle of power and the insignia
office were entrusted to Dr. Micheline in
1970, when he was named the second
president of Wilkes, succeeding Dr. Eu-
gene Farley, the founding president
whose reputation and name linger among
the giants of educators. To fill the shoes
of a man like Gene Farley was a gamble
where the odds were difficult. But Dr.
Micheline rose to the occasion, as he
soon exhibited the same characteristics
of the man he followed. Dr. Farley told
me before his death that Mike Micheline
was his personal choice for the presi-
dent's job, because his years of experi-
ence and sensitivities to the needs of
the human spirit and man's pursuit of
education were well embodied in his
successor. How right he was, as the years
to follow would illustrate.

Scarcely had enough time lapsed for
the burdens of office to confront the
new Wilkes president, when in June 1972,
the worst natural disaster in the history
of this Republic, tropical storm Agnes,
thrust down upon 17 States in the Na-
tion, hitting hardest in the Wyoming
Valley and the district which I am privi-
leged to represent in this Congress.
Property damage alone in my region
went well over the \$1 billion mark, and
the beautiful, sprawling Wilkes College
along the banks of the Susquehanna lay
in the eye of devastation.

On a hot and trying night following
the disaster, Mike Micheline came into
my emergency command post head-
quarters at the U.S. naval training sta-
tion near the Airport at Avoca. It was
then, in the moments of conversation,

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that the real meaning of tragedy set in. "I don't know where to start this discussion, Dan, because it is all so hard to believe." With hipboots laden with mud and clothes which became the flood victims' uniform, brown and dusty, Mike Michelini laid out for me the impossible task which lie ahead. Yes, it was hard to believe, and the realities seemed like a bad dream. But we began, and because of Dr. Mike Michelini, adversity once again became progress.

All 50 Wilkes buildings were under water to the second story level, the college president told me. The damage estimate? Neither of us could guess, except that it was well into the millions.

In the next 2 months there ensued a human undertaking such as I had never experienced. Like a man inspired by the deity, Dr. Michelini worked, led, organized and encouraged, day and night, week after week. The desolated book collection in a brand new library was hauled out. Walls were scrubbed. Mud was shoveled. Furniture thrown away. The rebuilding was underway.

I cannot answer how it was all accomplished. But by some miracle the fall session began in September, only 1 week later than scheduled.

As part of the historic Agnes recovery legislation which I sponsored, there were several forms of relief to colleges and universities. Dr. Mike Michelini was the spearheading force behind the regional effort to assist in my legislation, and it should be recorded in the annals of this Congress that his leadership and dedication inspired those with whom he worked; his colleagues, and his representative in this House.

The departure of Mike Michelini from Wyoming Valley will leave its mark elsewhere than at Wilkes College. His community will feel the loss as well. He found time to serve as president of the Family Service Association of Wyoming Valley, and on the boards of directors of the Nesbitt Hospital, the United Way, the Wilkes-Barre Philharmonic Society, the Northeastern Pennsylvania Education Television Association, and the Osterhout Free Library. All of this, while pursuing significant assignments in numerous professional and educational associations and societies.

As this unusual and dynamic leader of men departs of Northeastern Pennsylvania, I salute him for what he has done for higher education, and for the trustees, faculty, students, alumni, thousands of friends and associates, I say, many thanks, and "Ad Multos Annos."

TRIBUTE TO FORMER AMBASSADOR EGIDIO ORTONA OF ITALY

HON. JOSEPH P. VIGORITO

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 1, 1975

Mr. VIGORITO. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to join my colleagues in honoring Egidio Ortona as he retires from his position as the Republic of Italy's Ambassador to the United States.

I feel especially fortunate to have known Signor Ortona during the past 8 years and in that time, my professional respect has developed into personal friendship for this exceptional man. Too often, we find that it is in losing a dedicated public servant that we recognize the characteristics that had set that person apart. Fortunately however, the many talents of Ambassador Ortona have been widely recognized and acclaimed throughout the course of his 43 years in the diplomatic service of the Republic of Italy. That career has included leadership in both the economic and diplomatic fields and has spanned the cities of Cairo, Johannesburg, London, and Rome. Egidio Ortona has further distinguished himself and his homeland in his years as Italy's Ambassador to the United Nations and most recently, to the United States. It is in the latter post that my colleagues and I have observed how his diplomatic skill, intelligence, and graciousness have strengthened the ties between the Italian and American peoples and nations.

We shall certainly miss Ambassador Ortona in our capital, but I am confident that he will be personally remembered and his contributions built upon in the years to come. I join my colleagues in wishing him continued good health and the fulfillment that comes in knowing that his many contributions have been gratefully received.

ORGANIC DAY FOR GUAM

HON. SAMUEL S. STRATTON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 1, 1975

Mr. STRATTON. Mr. Speaker, 31 years ago today the forces of the U.S. Army defeated the Japanese and liberated the island of Guam. Six years later, we extended the rights of citizenship to the Guamanian people, and they have played an increasingly greater role in American life and government ever since. Most recently, in fact, Guam was the center for the Southeast Asian refugees hoping to resettle in America. It has played a significant role in the effort to relocate these Vietnamese and Cambodians victimized by the years of war which ravaged their countries. The refugees poured into Guam by the tens of thousands to be processed and prepared for life in our country. Once secure in their camps on the tiny island, the refugees were able to begin their orientation in the society of their new homeland.

The Asian refugees have gained new freedom on Guam just as Guamanians did through the Organic Act of 1950, the anniversary of which we observe today. The island has come to mean for the refugees what the Statue of Liberty meant for the European immigrants earlier in this century. It was the first American soil they saw; soil which represented freedom from the agony of war. Before the Organic Act, however, such freedom did not exist on Guam.

In the 25 years since American-citi-

zenship was bestowed on them by the Congress, the people of Guam have enjoyed freedom which was unknown to them in the political limbo they were in after the Treaty of Paris of 1898. For 52 years they lived without the benefits of home rule, governed first by the American commander of naval operations on the island and then by the Japanese during the war. Thus the Organic Act was a landmark piece of legislation for Guam, and the Guamanians have certainly fulfilled their role as American citizens through their aid in the Southeast Asian refugee program. I urge all of us to join with the gentleman from Guam (Mr. WON PATQ in a salute to Guam's freedom.

AGRICULTURAL ENERGY RESEARCH ACT OF 1975: PART II

HON. FLOYD J. FITHIAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 1, 1975

Mr. FITHIAN. Mr. Speaker, I have recently discussed the bill H.R. 8871, entitled Agricultural Energy Research Act of 1975, with various experts in Indiana. I want to share their perceptive comments with my colleagues in the House. Their remarks are as follows:

PURDUE UNIVERSITY, DEPARTMENT
OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS,
West Lafayette, Ind., June 17, 1975.

Hon. FLOYD FITHIAN,
U.S. House of Representatives,
Longworth House Office Building,

DEAR FLOYD: I am pleased to be able to comment on S. 1482, a bill to carry out a coordinated agricultural energy research program through the State agricultural experiment stations, and for other purposes.

I think the objectives of the bill are excellent. The work which might be undertaken under the bill is the kind of work which agricultural experiment stations would have a comparative advantage in doing. At Purdue University we have taken leadership in work on energy and the use of energy in agriculture. With the kind of support indicated under the bill, we could undertake effective work at Purdue which would complement our other research on energy.

I would encourage you to co-sponsor or introduce the legislation in the House and support it in whatever way seems best to you.

With respect to the content of the bill, I would like to see it broadened to include research on efficient use of energy in marketing farm products as well as in farm production. It seems to me the potential energy savings in assembly of farm commodities, processing and manufacturing of food products, distribution, storage, transportation and various physical functions in moving farm commodities from the farm gate to the consumer table, should be included. This, too, is the type of research the agricultural experiment stations have had experience in doing in their various studies of efficiency in marketing which have been conducted since the Research and Marketing Act of 1946.

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This figure is reported by Roy W. Newsome Jr., State Department of Community Affairs urban advisor, in the agency's

monthly publication, "Reports." The total impact on the economy of the State probably never will be known, he stated.

In an introduction to the two-page article, William H. Wilcox, DCA secretary, stated that directly as a result of Agnes, the department has administered programs that result in well over \$126 million in recovery funds to the flood damaged communities of the Commonwealth.

Newsome wrote that more than 200 bridges were washed out as were many major roads and state highways in rural and urban areas with Pennsylvania spending more than \$108 million in reconstruction work on the bridges and roads.

Noting public buildings were particularly hard hit, Newsome said more than \$3 million was needed to get water and sewage plants back into operation. Private utilities, such as electrical and telephone systems, also were damaged heavily.

More than 4,300 private homes were destroyed and 63,000 dwellings were damaged. Approximately 3,200 mobile homes either were destroyed or damaged. In one community, (Kingston) less than 30 of its 7,000 homes were untouched by flood waters. Total residential property loss in the State is estimated to have exceeded \$600 million.

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A table showing the counties with damage in excess of \$10 million follow:

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Dauphin	11,000	1,100	77,124,000
Clinfon	3,700	450	39,695,000
Lycoming	6,100	550	33,350,000
Cumberland	4,300	275	29,979,000
Northumberland	3,800	375	19,226,000
Berks	2,000	225	16,972,000
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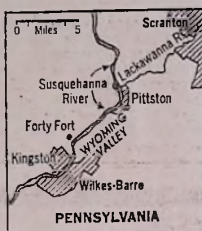
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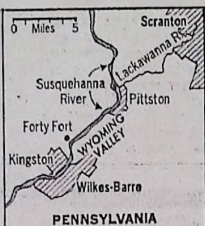
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Near Tamquan, Binh Dinh province, a South Vietnamese woman looks up as U.S. planes fly overhead. She and her family had just left their shelter, after a bombing raid.

Close-Quarter Fight Rages Near Citadel at Quang Tri

SAIGON, South Vietnam, Sunday, July 30—South Vietnamese marines fought bunker to bunker yesterday in an advance toward Quang Tri's Citadel.

The marines reported that their forward elements were 100 yards from the southern and northeastern walls of the 19th-century fortress, and said that the North Vietnamese had sent in reinforcements.

The marines took over from an airborne brigade Thursday after the paratroopers were driven out of the Citadel with heavy losses. The marines are entrenched outside the north, east and south walls of the fortress, which is surrounded by a 30-foot-wide moat, barbed wire and mine fields left by

CITY GRAFT STUDY BALKED BY UNION

Advises Building Inspectors to Refuse to Cooperate With Investigators

By DAVID K. SHIPER
The Allied Building Inspectors Union has advised its members to refuse to cooperate if the city's Department of Investigation asks them to help gather evidence on corruption among their fellow inspectors.

The union's president, William J. Glinesman, said in an interview that the tactic of arresting inspectors was merely "a smokescreen" unless it was accompanied by fundamental reforms in the structure and administration of the Buildings Department and other regulatory agencies.

Prosecution, he said, "is not going to change anything except a few men's lives are going to be destroyed."

He noted that bribery has persisted over the years, despite sporadic efforts by law enforcement officials. "This is another generation of inspectors who are being corrupted—it's not the men, they don't have criminal backgrounds. It's the system. The barrel is rotten."

Public discussion and official action about corruption in the construction industry have grown since the publication of a two-part report on the prob-

William O. Douglas stayed the opening of the trial, and the Justice Department announced it would ask the full Supreme Court to countermand his order. Justice Douglas blocked further proceedings in the trial, which had been scheduled to start on Monday, to allow the defendants to appeal to the Supreme Court their assertion that the Government should be required to disclose details of a wiretapped conversation involving a defense lawyer or consultant.

Government to Act
Elated defense lawyers and up defendants, Dr. Daniel Ellsberg and Anthony J. Russo Jr., convened a news conference this afternoon to announce that Justice Douglas signed the stay last night and passed the word to them through the Supreme Court Clerk today.

At the same hour, a spokesman for the Justice Department in Washington was calling in newspapers to say that the Government would take the issue to the full Court.

"The Solicitor General will file with the Supreme Court no later than Monday, an application to set aside Justice Douglas' order," Jack Hushen, public information director for the Justice Department, said. Solicitor General Erwin N. Griswold reportedly will not ask the justices to reconvene from their summer recess, but will leave it to Chief Justice Warren E. Burger to decide what procedures should be followed.

Transcripts at Issue
Justice Douglas's stay was accompanied by a strongly worded, three-page opinion laced with acerbic comments regarding "the ears of the government, which these days seek to learn more and more of the affairs of men."

It was written at his mountain retreat in Goose Prairie, Wash., and telephoned to the Supreme Court clerk in Washington. Earlier yesterday, the opposing lawyers had argued the case before Justice Douglas in an hour-long hearing in Yakima, Wash.

At issue was whether the defendants were entitled to see transcripts of a telephone conversation that was overheard when someone called a member of the Ellsberg-Russo de-

volved nearly one-quarter of the 438 delegates in the three states, were particularly significant because all the delegates were supporters of Senator George McGovern, who selected Senator Eagleton as his running mate.

Many of the delegates interviewed in the telephone poll over the last two days expressed the view that less-committed McGovern supporters and independent voters would be even more opposed to Senator Eagleton's continuance on the Democratic ticket.

The Missouri Democrat was engulfed in controversy last week when he said that he had

McGovern's uphill run for the White House.

A total of 103 of the 438 delegates in the three states were queried by The New York Times.

Forty-nine said that Senator Eagleton should withdraw from the ticket, 23 said he should remain and 31 had no opinion or said that Senator McGovern should decide the fate of his running mate.

Many of those in the last category said, however, that Senator Eagleton might hurt the Democratic ticket.

The contention that Senator

Eagleton Says McGovern Remains Firm in Support

By CHRISTOPHER LYDON
Special to The New York Times

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., July 29—Senator Thomas F. Eagleton came home tonight claiming new encouragement from his running mate, Senator George McGovern of South Dakota, to stay on the Democratic ticket as the Vice-Presidential nominee.

When he telephoned Mr. McGovern from San Francisco this morning, Mr. Eagleton either ignored or deflected the South Dakota's implications to newsmen last night that Mr. Eagleton might want to step aside because of public reaction to his history of emotional problems in the nineteen-sixties.

Senator McGovern "did not mention to me any conversation he had with reporters last night," Mr. Eagleton said before taking off from California. "All he said to me was he was for me 1,000 per cent."

That was enough, Mr. Eagleton made clear, to postpone any withdrawal of his own at least until Monday night, when the two Senators are scheduled to meet in Washington.

Before flying home to Missouri, Mr. Eagleton spoke briefly with reporters in his hotel lobby after being incommunicado for about 14 hours. During that time hints from South Dakota that the Presidential nominee wanted Mr. Eagleton to step down had built to a roar. Walking off an elevator at

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HOSPITAL MOVED EAGLETON DATA

Records Taken Out of Files Before Senator Disclosed Past Mental Problems

By LAWRENCE K. ALTMAN
Special to The New York Times

ST. LOUIS, July 29—Barnes Hospital officials said here today that Senator Thomas F. Eagleton's medical charts had been taken from the record room on the main floor to an undisclosed place at about the time the Senator's nomination as the Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate.

This would be a week and a half before Mr. Eagleton revealed that he had been hospitalized three times for "depression"—once here, twice at the Mayo Clinic—and that he had received electric shock therapy as treatment.

Hospital officials said that some hospital employees other than the physicians who treated Mr. Eagleton had access to his confidential records, just as they did those of any other patient. Presumably, therefore, the Eagleton records were moved for security reasons.

When asked what special precautions officials had taken beyond the usual measures for security of psychiatric records, Continued on Page 28, Column 4

By DOUGLAS E. KNEEL
Special to The New York Times
RAPID CITY, S.D., July 29—Senator George McGovern today said that "there may be any change" in the Democratic ticket after he and his running mate, Senator Thomas F. Eagleton, meet early next week. Senator Eagleton said he was at a San Francisco news conference that the Presidential nominee had assured him telephone call today that was still with him "1,000 cent."

Mr. Eagleton has been under fire since he disclosed Tuesday that he had received electric shock treatments in the nineteen-sixties for nervous exhaustion and depression.

The disclosure by Mr. Eagleton was made at a joint news conference with Senator McGovern at his Black Hills vacation retreat. Shortly after, a South Dakotan said he was "1,000 per cent for Tom Eagleton" and had "no intention" of dropping him from the ticket.

Continued Retreat Hinted
Mr. McGovern arrived at the airport here today on his way to a reception in his home town of Mitchell and a speech to the State Democratic Convention. He appeared to continue a retreat that started late yesterday from his adamant position in favor of Mr. Eagleton's candidacy.

"I'm with Senator Eagleton all the way until he and I have had a chance to talk," he said today in reply to questions. "And there may not be any change then," he added.

Earlier, Mr. McGovern issued a statement that seemed equally ambiguous as to his ultimate intent.

"Senator Eagleton and I have a lengthy conversation this morning," he said. "I assure him I'm still backing him as the Vice-Presidential nominee of the party."

However, he went on to say, "I have advised Senator Eagleton that I have been under intense pressure all week to ask that he withdraw from the ticket. But I have insisted and I still insist on a proper period of evaluation by both of us or this difficult question."

"Senator Eagleton and I have

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BRIDEGROOM-TO-BE SLAIN AFTER PARTY

Shot by a Passer-by in East Side Bachelor Pad

By ROBERT D. McFARLAND

A prospective bride awaiting a ride home to celebrate from his party at a Park Avenue restaurant was shot and killed today in what the police called a senseless attack on a second group of passers-by.

According to police, the bride, who was off a short distance from the restaurant, was killed by a passer-by who was off a short distance from the restaurant.

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Helen Traubel Dies; Wagnerian Soprano

By United Press International

SANTA MONICA, Calif., July 29—Helen Traubel, the famed Wagnerian soprano of the Metropolitan Opera, died of a heart attack last night. She was 69 years old.

In recent years, Miss Traubel, who left the Met in 1953, had been appearing on television, in films and in nightclubs. Her latest engagement was with Jimmy Durante in a resort at Lake Tahoe, Calif., in 1964.

She is survived by her husband, William Bass.

Toured the Midwest

At the age of 12, Helen Traubel substituted for her mother, Clara Stuhler, a concert church singer in St. Louis, the local church choir.

This led to her leaving school in her sophomore year at 13 to devote all her vocal training. Over 20 years her teacher

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Wilkes-Barre Dazed A Month After Flood

By HOMER BIGART
Special to The New York Times

WILKES-BARRE, July 29—The Wyoming Valley, engulfed by flood waters June 23-24 when the pounding rains of Tropical Storm Agnes swelled the Susquehanna River to record heights, remains prostrate after the most disastrous flood in the nation's history.

More than a month after sirens sounded up and down the valley and 60,000 persons fled to the hills, thousands remain homeless. Some 1,200 persons, mostly elderly, still sleep in hot and steamy schools and churches. The Red Cross continues to feed thousands. Only a handful of business places are open. Until early this week every restaurant and hot dog stand in downtown Wilkes-Barre remained shut.

Property damage is estimated at between half a billion and three-quarters of a billion dollars. There is a growing fear that without massive Federal grants the valley will not recover.

"This Is the Worst"

The statistics are numbing. Drownings were few, thanks to adequate warning, but the destruction of factories, homes, possessions, jobs, the hopes and dreams of a lifetime is unparalleled.

"This is the worst I've ever seen," said Francis X. Tobin, the President's Coordinator for the Office of Emergency Preparedness. "People usually rate the severity of a disaster by the number of lives lost. Here only six persons died. But the loss of property was worse than any previous disaster, greater than the Corpus Christi hurricane of 1970 and greater than the San Fernando Valley earthquake of 1971."

Today, the hub of the busi-



Homes in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., stand precariously, their foundations damaged by flood. Debris covers the streets.

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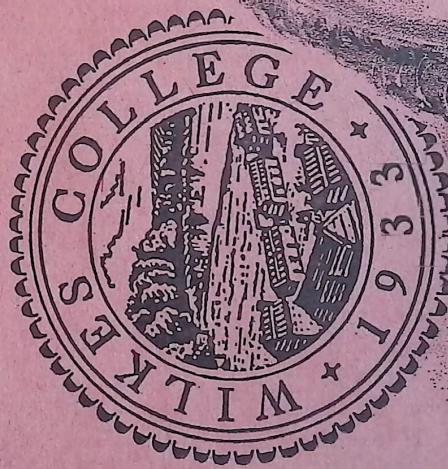
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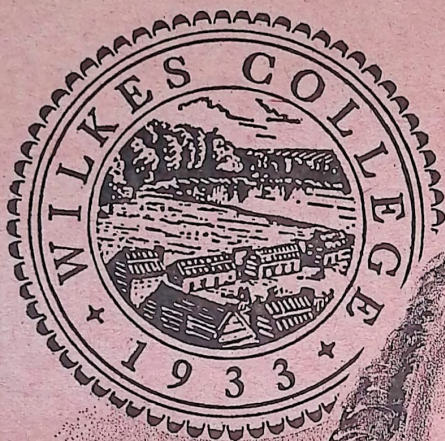
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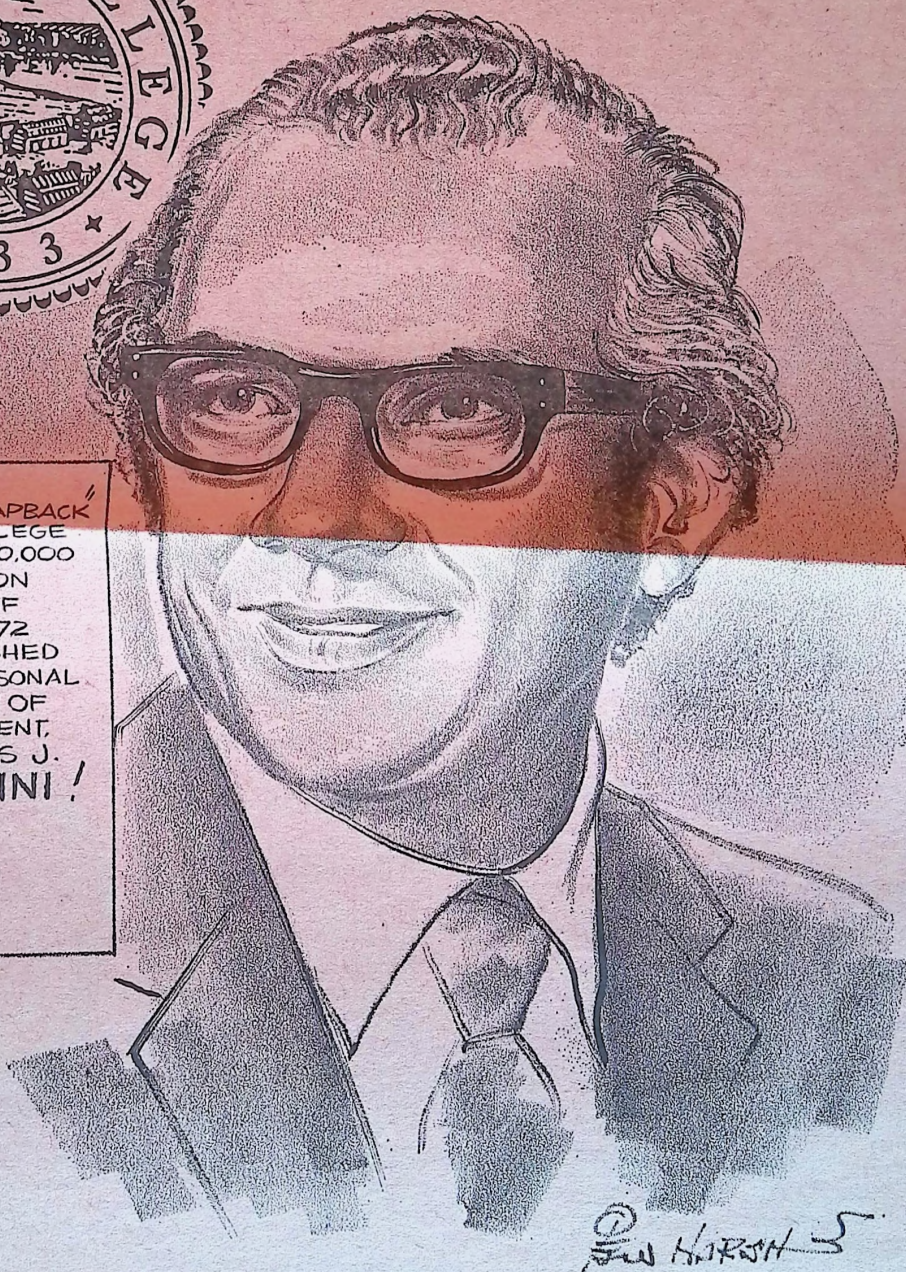
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ON THE COVER

Wilkes College President Francis J. Micheline, who is the subject of today's Lew Harsh cover drawing, long will remember what it was like one year ago today—June 24, 1972.

He had been in the role as the second president of the Wilkes-Barre college a little less than two years. Things were going well and his plans for the continued growth of the school were being carried out, with new ideas forming.

But the previous day—the infamous June 23, 1972—changed things. The Susquehanna River moved over the levees and reached a record height that brought massive destruction, gaining the dubious distinction as "the greatest disaster in the nation's history."

President Micheline kept in close contact with conditions at the flooded college campus. Frustrated, like so many thousands of others who realized nothing was going to halt nature's wrath, he personally manned his power boat to help rescue numerous people and pets, as well as to assist utility crews and Civil Defense aides.

Late on June 25, he and a handful of college personnel came back to the campus and began what seemed like an almost impossible task of restoring a college that had losses ranging close to \$14,000,000.

Now, one year later, the college is almost free of any sign of the destruction. From the first day of backbreaking effort, President Micheline personally worked alongside other volunteers in directing the successful completion of "Operation Snapback."

Recently, President Micheline, who also heads the Northeastern Pennsylvania Independent Colleges (NEPIC), was awarded an honorary doctorate by the University of Scranton.

THOUGHTS FOR TODAY

Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.—Romans 12:2.

"Heaven is my throne, and earth my footstool. What house will be build for me, says the Lord, or what is the place of my rest?"—Acts 7:49.

"They have healed the wound of my people lightly, saying, 'Peace, peace,' when there is no peace."—Jeremiah 8:11.

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In Buying Vacation Home
Interval Ownership
Has Its Advantages

By ANNE TAYLOR

As I pointed out not long ago, one of the problems—a very costly problem—in buying a vacation home is that you might not get to use it very often. It may lie idle, costing you taxes and insurance and other bills.

But now there has been developed a form of ownership that eliminates some of the problems. It is called interval ownership. You actually buy the property, but for only a specified time period each year.

In the past, there have been such concepts as time-span or time-unit occupancy, with the tenants owning the property in common for agreed time spans each year. Lawyers can always work out such arrangements.

Interval housing, however, has some unusual aspects. First off, it is being put into practice by the aptly named Interval Corp. of Coral Gables, Fla., which is developing the North Carolina resort of Bird Rock Falls.

Under the plan, the right of occupancy and title to the property are owned by the purchaser. His rights don't exist by virtue of the lawyer's contract or the lease; they exist by reason of ownership.

"Lawyers Title News," a publication that in effect describes its contents, comments this way on the advantages:

"... the purchaser gets a break on price, maintenance costs, and taxes because he pays for no more than he can use. If he buys a two-week interval, his costs relate solely to that interval."

"For instance, having a two-week interval, he pays only 1-26th of the total yearly tax bill on the premises."

Among the other advantages:—the one-time purchase price for a two-week interval may be financed. At the only existing development, it would cost about \$3,000, with 20 per cent down and the balance over one year with no interest.

—Insurance, building and grounds maintenance, weekly cleaning, utilities and a prorata charge for appliance and furniture replacement are covered by a small, one-time per year fee.

—Ownership may be sold, leased or exchanged.

The fact that at least one company spent the time and effort to work out these details suggests that a trend toward similar plans could develop. There are several reasons for so thinking, among them:

—We Americans are very much interested in leisure housing, especially since more and more of us are able to work fewer hours or to arrange our work week so as to be able to "clump" together our days off.

—Many Americans are for the first time ever acquiring just enough cash to entertain the idea of a second home, but they are seeing those dreams go up in the flames of inflation.

—Recreational land is not in unlimited supply, as many of us believe. Much land is being taken out of use because of environmental considerations. And prices for tracts are rising sharply.

That means that builders, too, are being pressured. Under the arrangement described, they could sell the individual units to, let us say, a dozen buyers, at a total price higher than to just one buyer.

You may expect other innovations of ownership, or at least of guaranteed usage, to be developing in coming years—and not, I would like to point out, in the far distant future. I'll try to keep you abreast of them.

(You can write Anne Taylor in care of The Scranton Times.)

In Canyon lands National Park in Utah, tadpole shrimp live in water-filled potholes where the surface temperature reaches up to 140 degrees. The eggs or dehydrated larvae of these shrimp may be dried out and baked for months or years as well as withstanding freezing temperatures. However, a drenching rain will activate them.

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Look Smart! By Harry Juster

IDEAL FOR SUMMER WEAR—The madras plaid suits being shown in polyester cotton blends and in 100 per cent cottons handwoven in India.

John Weitz, the American designer, picks the India handwovens for his Signature collection by Palm Beach and gives the jacket 4½ inch wide lapels, slanted flap pockets and a deep center vent.

Not only colorful looking, but about as cool and comfortable as a warm weather suit can be. What's more the jacket hooks up beautifully with solid color slacks and the suit pants, of course, can do double duty as sport slacks.



READERS ASK:

Dear Mr. Juster:

"Recently, I was shopping for shirts and the salesman said button-downs are now popular and suggested buying some. He had several nice looking ones, but I passed them up as I have been under the impression this style collar is for young fellows, not 63-year-old codgers like me. Isn't this true?"

No Kid

I never could understand what makes a collar with points that button to the shirt a "no-no" for men much past college age. Yet, many men, like yourself, go along with this idea and there is no reason for it. Wear them if you wish, particularly with a sport jacket or the more casual type suits.

Dear Mr. Juster:

"I plan to wear a white dinner coat with black formal pants to a dinner dance. However, to be more comfortable, I intend to wear a regular white shirt and a maroon bow tie. Also, I want to leave off the cummerbund, but my wife questions all this."

C. F.

So should you if being properly dressed means anything. A formal shirt is called for and, incidentally, they are as soft and comfortable as a regular shirt. A maroon formal bow and cummerbund is a regular shirt. That is part of the outfit and should be the same color as the tie.

Dear Mr. Juster:

"I say socks should match the tie. A cousin of mine who prides himself on being up on men's clothes disagrees. He says socks are supposed to blend in with the pants and shoes. Who is right?"

T. F.

Strange, how many people believe as you do that socks should tie in with the tie. Yet, how often do you actually follow that rule? For example, if you wear a red tie, I doubt that you go to red socks or to yellow ones if your tie is yellow. Your cousin wins this argument, hands down. For a harmonious look, socks should blend with the pants and shoes.

GREAT FOR THE EGO—In Burma, we understand that it is an old custom when friends meet, to express admiration for each other's clothes. Not a bad custom.

How to fold and place a pocket handkerchief in your jacket is discussed in Harry Juster's free leaflet, "All About Handkerchiefs." Obtain a copy by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request for it to Harry Juster in care of The Sunday Times.

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4:00 P.M.—
44—Sesame Street
4:30 P.M.—
12—Wally's Workshop
16—Bowling
4:45 P.M.—
22—Sportscope: "Florida Attractions"
5:00 P.M.—
12—28—Western Open
16—Wide World of Sports
22—Wrestling
44—Mister Rogers
5:30 P.M.—
44—Electric Company

Evening

6:00 P.M.—
12—The Counselor
22—Petticoat Junction
28—Lawrence Welk
44—Speaking Freely
6:30 P.M.—
12—22—CBS News
16—Here Come the Brides. Tonight's episode: "Break the Bank at Tacoma"
7:00 P.M.—
12—28—Haw. Country Music and Comedy Hour
22—News
44—World Press. The world's views of the United States, as expressed in major foreign newspapers, as analyzed by a team of international experts.
7:30 P.M.—
44—Yesterday's Headlines. Film clips on 1952 Olympics, the London Blitz, Bronx Zoo, Golden Age of Baseball and Kamikaze pilots of Japan.
16—World of Survival. "A Boyhood Dream."
22—Gomer Pyle
8:00 P.M.—
12—22—All in the Family. Comedy series starring Carroll O'Connor, Jean Stapleton, Bob Reiner and Sally Struthers. Archie's bargain watch begins to look like a "hot" bargain.
16—Baseball: Phillies at St. Louis
28—Emergency. Robert Fuller and Julie London, in a hospital drama series. Tonight's episode: Gage and DeSoto argue over whether the truth should always be told, when incidents arise to test both their theories.
44—The Session. Weekly program featuring a variety of musical performers from rock to blue grass jazz.
8:30 P.M.—
12—22—Bridget Loves Bernie.

Comedy series starring David Birney and Meredith Baxter. In tonight's episode: At the holiday season, Bridget and Bernie wonder what they should celebrate, Christmas or Chanukah.
44—Playhouse New York — Biography: "Charles Dickens."

9:00 P.M.—
12—22—The Mary Tyler Moore Show: Comedy series starring Mary Tyler Moore and featuring Edward Asner.
28—Saturday Night at the Movies: "That Man from Rio." Je n'a-Paul! Belmondo and Francoise Dorleac. A French soldier on a one-week leave goes to Rio to rescue his sweetheart, who has been kidnapped by a gang bent on finding three statues.

9:30 P.M.—
12—22—The Bob Newhart Show: Comedy with Bob Newhart and Suzanne Pleshette. Bob gains a patient but almost loses a friend when Jerry decides to see him professionally.
10:00 P.M.—
12—22—Mission Impossible. Adventure-suspense drama series, starring Peter Graves, Greg Morris, Lynda Day, George and Peter Lupus. The wife of a syndicate boss.

44—David Susskind Show. Mr. Susskind presents another in-depth exposure of guests and subjects for discussion. Part II, "Love, Health and Wealth in the Palm of Your Hand."
11:00 P.M.—
12—22—News
11:20 P.M.—
16—Movie: "The Ice Palace." Richard Burton, Robert Ryan, Carolyn Jones and Martha Hyer.

28—Academy Award Theater: "Marnie." Tippi Hedren, Sean Connery, Diane Baker and Martin Gabel. A woman's complex life leads her into becoming a compulsive thief.
11:30 P.M.—
12—Late Show: "O'Sassana." Rod Cameron, Jim Davis.
16—News
12—22—The Flick. "Best of the Blues." Dorothy Lamour, Lloyd Nolan.

1:15 A.M.—
22—News
1:20 A.M.—
22—Late Movie: "Night of Nights." Pat O'Brien, Roland Young.

Exercising Dangerous

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have any significant problems.

DREA Dr. Lamb—Will jumping rope daily for exercise, rather than walking, be harmful to a 47-year-old woman of average weight and in good health? How much or for what length of time should this be done?

Dear Reader—There is nothing wrong with skipping rope and it's an excellent exercise. It is a great deal more strenuous, however, than walking. Nevertheless, I have known some rather spirited senior citizens who have used this form of exercise, but I hasten to add that these were all individuals who exercised regularly and maintained relatively high levels of physical fitness.

Anyone who starts to skip rope will find out rather quickly that it takes a lot of energy. It also produces quite a bit of jarring on the ankle and on the calf muscle. This means that the exercise should be started in small amounts and gradually increased.

Although people's abilities vary, you shouldn't skip more than 50 steps initially, and if this doesn't cause you any trouble, it could gradually be increased at a rate of five steps a day until you have reached a level to provide the length of exercise you want to enjoy. As with all other exercises you should not persist in it to the

level of becoming unduly tired or exhausted.

Send your questions to Dr. Lamb, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 1551, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019. For a copy of Dr. Lamb's booklet on losing weight, send 50 cents to the same address and ask for "Losing Weight" booklet.

Right Number

MESA, Ariz. (AP)—Mrs. Richard Koeber, who was in bed suffering from an erratic heart beat, told her 3-year-old son to telephone a neighbor for help.

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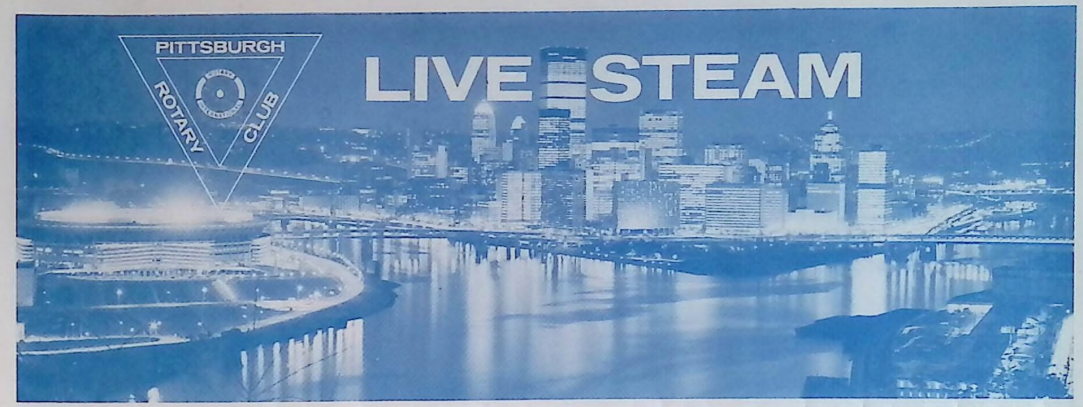
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 Teen Forum, Jean Adams
 Television listings for week, starting on
 Tips for the Handyman, Mr. Fix
 Tips for Gardeners, George Abraham
 Traveler's Clearing House,
 Stephanie Bonsavage
 World of Animals, Dr. Frank Miller

6:00—Baseball: Philadelphia vs. St. Louis (16)
SATURDAY
 1:00—NFL Action (Filmed) (28)
 2:00—Baseball: (Opponents to be announced) (25)
 2:00—Roller Derby (16)
 4:30—Celebrity Bowling (16)
 5:00—Golf: Western Open (28)
 5:00—Wide World of Sports (16)
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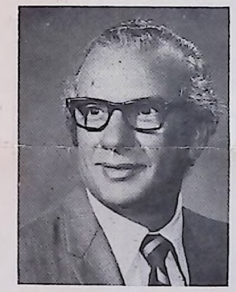
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WEDNESDAY

MARCH 26, 1975

"AFTER THE FLOOD"



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This Week

A native of Clifton, N. J., Dr. Michelini received his bachelor's degree from Seton Hall and his master's degree from the University of Delaware before going on to the University of Pennsylvania where he was awarded his doctorate.

He came to Wilkes in 1955 as an assistant professor in biology. Dr. Michelini rapidly gained stature and popularity as a teacher and researcher, publishing a number of reports of his research activity in the journals of "Cancer Research," the "American Journal of Botany" and other scientific publications.

A veteran of World War II, he served with the U.S. Army Air Corps, attached as a member of an air service unit to General Patton's Third Army, and earned a combat service star during the Rhine Campaign in the European Theater.

In his seven years as Dean of Academic Affairs and since assuming the presidency of Wilkes in 1970, Dr. Michelini has been active in a wide variety of activities of community service. He is recognized in the state as a leading spokesman for private higher education. President Michelini is now serving his third term as chairman of the Government Relations Committee of the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities (PACU). He was recently elected secretary-treasurer of that organization of Commonwealth universities, community colleges, state colleges and universities and private institutions.

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The Old Wrangler Goes Hiking



Any body want to go for a ten mile walk on April 6? Not only will it do your old blood good, but you would be helping the Pennsylvania Association for Retarded Citizens.

But if the very thought of a ten mile hike makes your bones ache, you could ask LEO McDONOUGH or HANK HANNEKEN to take the hike for you.

And to make them feel better about their long walk, if you would pledge your dollars for every mile they walk . . . well, just about everybody would be happier! Give Leo or Hank a call and tell them whether you want to hike or pay them to hike for you . . . it's all for sweet charity!

Did You Know?



Some of our best members are making some changes in their lives. DOUG CUSHMAN, a member since 1951 and a loyal advertiser in "Live Steam" for many years, is going to retire . . . in fact he practically is retired. He owned the Campbell-Horigan Company which manufactures and sells monuments. Always good to see Doug at the first table on the right in the Terrace Room, visiting with Mac McClINTOCK, BILL HAGEL, JACK WORKMASTER and CONNIE MILROTH.

Another man on the move is FRANK BOWEN who has "retired" from Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. and is setting up his own office called F. Bowen Associates, Inc., in the Pittsburgh National Bank Headquarters Building. He tells me he can still take care of any of your insurance needs from there. The Tattler is ever listening for news of our members, so if you're doing anything newsworthy or know any fellow Rotarian who is . . . call the Rotary Office and they'll relay your news to The Tattler . . . thank you!

This Week

(Continued from Page 1)

He also is currently serving as chairman of Region 3, Regional Planning Council, one of 10 regional groups established by the Pennsylvania Department of Education to coordinate planning for all post-secondary education in various areas of the state.

One of the high points of achievement came immediately after the 1972 flood, which caused in excess of \$14-million damage to the college, and, in the eyes of many, was close to a point of total devastation.

The day the water receded "Dr. Mike" had gathered all the volunteers he could find — college personnel who had rushed back, as well as many friends and just plain strangers who were to quickly become friends — and began the task of getting the college back in operation.

As a result of his leadership and the combined efforts of many who worked 16 hours a day, seven days a week, the Summer College classes were able to resume despite curfews and temporary power in little more than one week after the water had gone down. Because of the assignment of priorities, all major buildings required for classroom and dormitory use were functional in 89 days and the academic year began, to the surprise of many, just one week behind normal schedule.

A tireless worker and an ardent believer in maintaining the college's responsibility to the community, President Michelini has never turned down a request to assist an organization or an individual.

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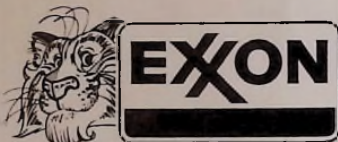
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Flood flashbacks

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Following are highlight of major floods in Pennsylvania history, according to the U.S. Geological Survey and Patriot-News files:

April 2, 1993: Rain and melting snow caused the Susquehanna River at Harrisburg to rise to 20½ feet and filled creeks on the East and West Shores to bank full. Basement and street flooding resulted.

Nov. 1-5, 1985: Rainfall of about 10 inches resulted in devastating floods along the Upper Monongahela and Youghiogheny River basins in western Pennsylvania. Many streams exceeded previously known flood heights. Damage reached \$74.4 million.

July 19-20, 1977: Up to 12 inches of rain in 6 to 8 hours led to the most destructive flooding on the Conemaugh River in Johnstown since the 1889 flood. Seventy-eight people died. Damage totaled \$300 million.

September 1975: After days of heavy rain from Tropical Storm Eloise, Susquehanna River at Harrisburg crested at more than 23 feet on Sept. 27. Some 20,000 people were routed from their homes in the Susquehanna River basin where damage totaled \$200 million.

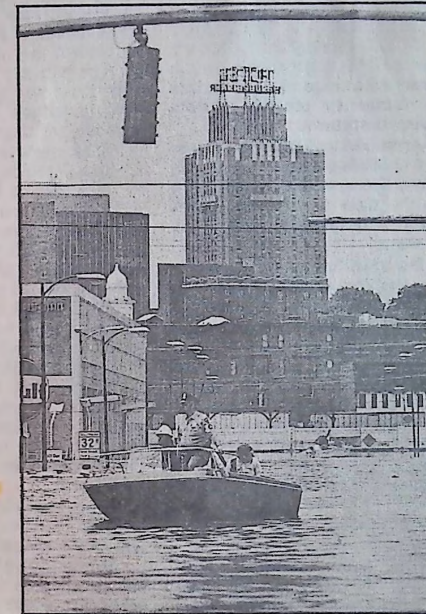
June 20-25, 1972: Rain from Hurricane Agnes led to the most destructive natural disaster in Pennsylvania in terms of property damage and area affected. Entire state was declared a disaster area. Forty-eight people died. Damage totaled \$2.1 billion.

Aug. 18-20, 1955: Rain from Hurricane Diane flooded Delaware and Schuylkill rivers. There were 101 deaths, \$76 million damage.

July 17-18, 1942: Within a 500-square-mile area of Upper Allegheny River, Clarion River and Sinnemahoning Creek basins, precipitation was greatest on record for a 12- to 18-hour storm. Fifteen people died; there was \$10 million damage.

March 16-19, 1936: Rainfall of 4 to 7 inches on saturated ground led to flooding in Upper Ohio, Susquehanna and Delaware River basins. High water and ice jams in rivers led to \$212 million damage. Eighty deaths were reported.

March 1907: Flooding in the Upper Ohio River basin caused \$5 million damage.



Patriot-News files

Downtown Harrisburg was underwater after days of rain from Tropical Storm Agnes.

May 30-31, 1889: Rainfall of 8 inches on May 30 caused a dam in Johnstown to fail on May 31. 2,200 deaths were reported and 1,000 people were unaccounted for in the resulting flooding and fire.

January 1841: Below-zero temperatures followed by intense rain. Ice packs and debris swept away all in their path and destroyed nine bridges on the Lehigh River.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Wilkes University Community

FROM: Christopher N. Breiseth, President *Chris Breiseth*

DATE: February 1, 1996

SUBJECT: Dodging the Water Bullet

Whatever theme I might have picked for this first memo of the spring semester has to give way to the flood emergency through which we have just passed. For those of you who were here in 1972 and helped Wilkes dig out from the mud and destruction of Tropical Storm Agnes, the recent threat from the Susquehanna River must have stirred bad memories. For those of us who have come since 1972, we must be impressed with how everyone pulled together, and in the middle of the night no less! As I have said in the newspapers, I am grateful to College Misericordia and the Martz Bus Company for what they did for our students, our primary concern and responsibility. I am also proud of all the Wilkes staff and faculty who did so much after midnight on Saturday morning to safeguard vital records and valuable equipment, and then replaced it all again on Sunday. We will review our emergency procedures in light of this valuable "dry run" and consider ways that certain valuables can be replaced above the first floors of our buildings so that they need not be moved during such emergencies. The campus needs to know that we do have flood insurance covering both buildings and equipment. I invite suggestions (I already have received several) on steps we should consider for future eventualities, even with the newly proposed raising of the dike structure. I am sure you all share with me a sense of gratitude that the present dike structure held and that the efforts of the emergency officials and all those (many from Wilkes) who helped with the sandbagging of the Market Street Bridge were so successful.

It is perhaps premature to see an omen in this good fortune of escaping a disaster, but I must confess that this is what I feel as I regard what lies immediately behind us and what lies ahead. The efforts of the Enrollment Management Task Force on both recruitment and retention are bearing fruit. We gained nearly 2% on our retention of students from fall to spring compared with last year. The Retention Report is about to be issued and is filled with recommendations on what we all can do to help students achieve their educational objectives at Wilkes. The recruitment of new students, guided by the new methods and technologies we have adopted with the help of Williams-Crockett, has

significantly increased the number of inquiries. The number of applications, despite the weather-related difficulties, is ahead of last year at this time (1,277 compared with 1261 in 1995); this is not quite where we need to be to meet our enrollment objective of 430 new freshmen. Official visits by prospective students is up nearly threefold over last year, and the significantly increased carrythrough by students, faculty, admissions staff and volunteers with these prospective students should increase our yield in terms of the number of applicants who turn into matriculants. With the prospect of some stable weather during the next two or three weeks, we should see whether the actual number of applications will be up as a result of the heroic efforts of Bernie Vinovski and his staff and all those who are helping with recruitment, including a growing body of volunteers. The addition of Joe DeMelfi as Associate Dean of Admissions will strengthen that very fine staff even further and enable us to carry through with more of the strategies that appear to be promising but which require staff labor and supervision. The VIP Open House, for those who already have applied and which was cancelled by the flood emergency, has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 18, 1996. I appreciate the preparations the faculty have made who will be making class presentations on that day.

Meanwhile, the Academic Program Review Team has been meeting under the leadership of Mike Lennon and has just begun to analyze the institutional data Scott Bodfish has pulled together. This will afford individual academic units the chance to pull additional data together to help with the overall analysis the APRT will make in time for the May Board meeting. The composition of the APRT is as follows: Scott Bodfish, Ken Broadt, Harold Cox, Gary Giamartino, Umid Nejib, Jim Rodechko, Wagiha Taylor and Terry Wignot.

At the same time, we have just had the first meeting of the Administrative Services Review Team, which I am chairing with the help of Rich Sours. We will be looking at the quality and efficiency of all non-credit bearing activities of the University as these affect students. Because we got started later, the work of the ASRT will not be completed until the autumn of 1996. The composition of this team is as follows: Sandra Beynon, Scott Bodfish, Owen Faut, Judy Fremont, Ann Marie Kolanowski, Jane Lampe-Groh, Jon Lindgren, Carol Maculloch, Gene Manganello, Cheryl Scalese, Rich Sours, Phil Wingert, Ed Wood and Jack Zikoski.

Both of these review teams will be identifying Wilkes's strengths and weaknesses, exploring how best to improve our service to students, whether through academic programs, administrative services or extra-curricular activities. The options they present to the General Officers must be weighed within a budget context profoundly influenced by enrollment. Their suggestions will not directly affect the FY '97 budget but will contribute to the preparation of the FY '98 budget. One budget objective that recognizes the interdependence of revenues and expenditures and begins to set some parameters for the two review teams is the student/faculty ratio. Presently it is at 13:1. By FY '98 it needs to be 15:1 or more for the University to reach equilibrium. Obviously, our success with recruitment and retention will powerfully influence the FY '98 budget preparation.

The coming Board meeting on February 22-23, 1996, will adopt a preliminary FY 1997 budget. The General Officers along with Bernie Vinovski, Paul Adams and Scott Bodfish have been meeting every two weeks with a Trustee Task Force to review the recruitment and retention results and the short- and long-range budget planning that flows from these results. It is still too early to say exactly what the preliminary budget will be since we are awaiting the numbers on applications of new freshmen and have some important discussions on financial aid to resolve. But I am cautiously optimistic that the assumptions we shared before the holidays with the Academic Deans and the FAC Budget Committee will approximate the assumptions of the preliminary FY 1997 budget that we will present to the Board. I will share the results of the Board's decision after the February 22-23 meeting. I need to underscore for the entire community how supportive the Board leadership, including the Trustee Task Force, has been through this challenging period. The thoroughness of their review of our efforts and the intelligence of their suggestions, have significantly enhanced the quality of our efforts and decisions. Their personal generosity continues as can be seen in the present Annual Fund campaign. In addition, they are getting ready for the Foundations for the Future Capital Campaign whose importance is crucial to the health and growth of Wilkes University. We each have multiple roles to play in strengthening Wilkes. The Trustees are showing impressive leadership in this time of testing.

Let me add a few other items. On the night of the flood emergency we lost one of our good friends, Professor Emeritus, Bronis Kaslas. A native of Lithuania, Dr. Kaslas came to the United States at the end of World War II and began a long career at Wilkes College in 1947. He joined the History Department and eventually became its chairman, hiring some of the present members of that department. In his will, he has left a third of his estate to Wilkes University and the scholarship fund he set up several years ago. There will be a memorial service in the spring. Gifts in his memory can be made to the Kaslas Scholarship Fund at Wilkes.

There will be a special month-long program entitled "Technology, Communications, and Community," starting with an evening lecture on February 23, and thereafter with public discussions every Saturday morning from 10 to 12. This series is jointly sponsored by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council, the Women's Community Learning Coalition of Northeastern Pennsylvania and Wilkes University. A similar format will be used in other communities around the Commonwealth. Call Ann Ross, Ext. 4602, for further information.

There are three personnel changes I want to acknowledge. With Joe DeMelfi leaving the Head Coach position in football to become Associate Dean of Admissions, I have appointed Frank Sheptock to be Head Coach. I am confident that Joe's talents and energies will significantly strengthen our crucial recruitment efforts. I am also confident that Frank will move into Joe's shoes as coach and bring luster to our football program. Finally, Tom Hadzor has informed me that he is taking a wonderful development position with The Cancer Center of the Duke University Medical School. I am pleased for him but saddened to lose a colleague who has done so much to help Wilkes and to help me

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Good luck to everyone for the spring semester. The days are getting longer--and the elevator is now working in the Classroom Office Building. Can spring be far behind?

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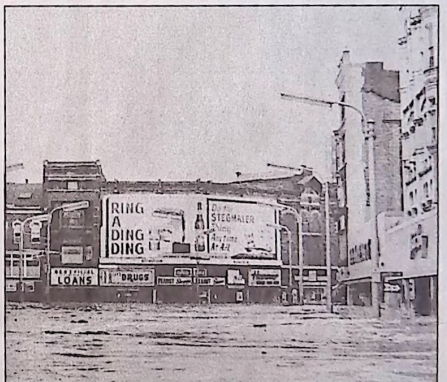


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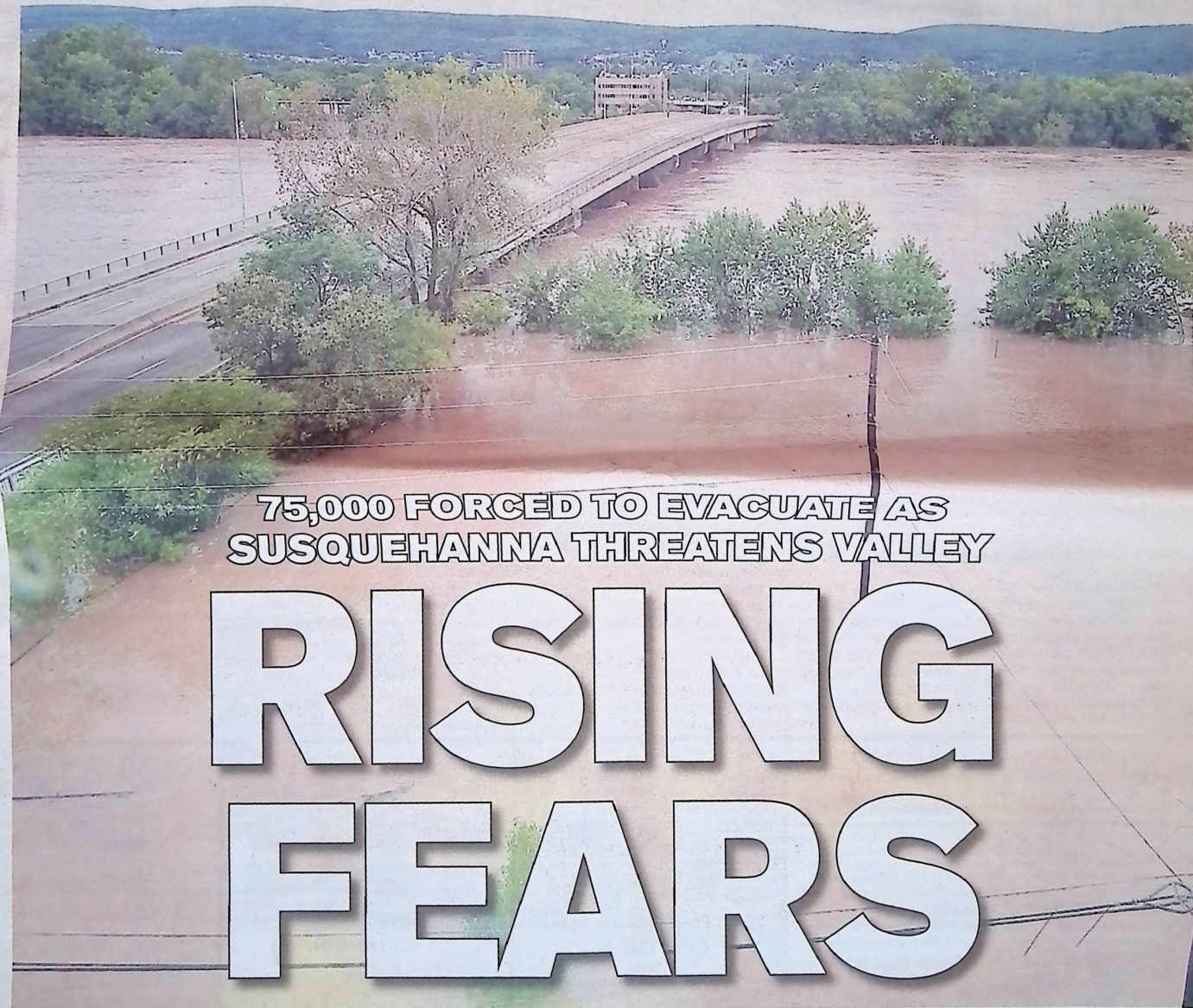
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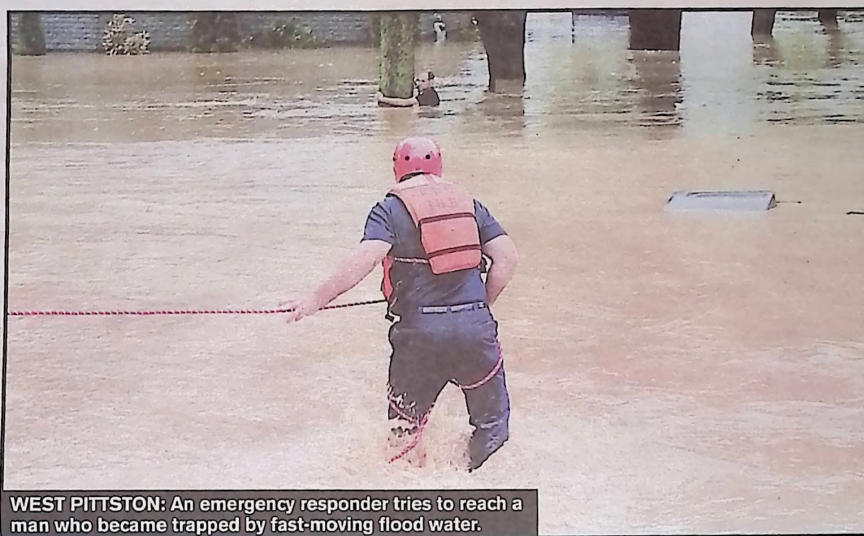
75,000 ordered to leave

By Michael R. Sisak, Bob Kalinowski and Andrew Staub
Staff Writers

The Wyoming Valley braced Thursday night for the most devastating flooding in nearly four decades as the Susquehanna River swelled toward a projected crest just shy of the level reached during Tropical Storm Agnes in 1972.

Residents in a 22-mile swath from Exeter to Shick-shinny were ordered to evacuate Thursday morning, then told to accelerate their departure as the river rose faster than expected. In low-lying areas, murky river waters washed out roadways and made bridges impassable. A trailer home in West Pittston was swept away, and nearby, a man was briefly trapped in the roaring current.

The American Red Cross established emergency shelters at a dozen high schools and colleges from Wilkes-Barre to the Back Mountain. Inmates and community volunteers worked furiously to fill thousands of sand bags



WEST PITSTON: An emergency responder tries to reach a man who became trapped by fast-moving flood water.

placed along floodgates and in front of county offices. The Pennsylvania National Guard deployed hundreds of troops to aid local authorities.

The evacuation order affected upwards of 75,000 people, officials said.

By dusk, communities along the river had become ghost towns, populated only by emergency personnel, reporters and the curious. The utilities cut power to some evacuated communities

and, as of 8:30 p.m., PPL reported 11,650 outages.

As the projected crest neared, county officials imposed a curfew for dozens of communities along the river. Officials said residents must remain off the roads between 9 p.m. Thursday and 6 a.m. Friday, and again for the same time period Friday into Saturday.

Commissioner Stephen A. Urban underscored the seriousness of the flood threat at a briefing Thursday morning

where officials announced they had accelerated the evacuation deadline by four hours, to 4 p.m.

"We want people to heed our order and leave," Urban said, his voice tinged with anxiety. "It's significant. We want them to leave."

"We want to protect lives," Urban said.

U.S. Rep. Lou Barletta, R-Hazleton, visited the Luzerne County command center Thursday afternoon and pledged to push for a federal

disaster declaration that would allow flood-ravaged communities to qualify for federal relief.

Barletta sent a letter to President Barack Obama on Thursday urging him to grant Gov. Tom Corbett's request for federal assistance.

"I remember Agnes very well, and this has the potential to be worse than Agnes," Barletta said. "We got to keep our fingers crossed."

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TO OUR READERS

Today's edition of The Citizens' Voice is being distributed free of charge at evacuation centers throughout Luzerne County as many of our readers and residents deal with extreme flooding issues.

Our team of journalists worked throughout the day and night from three emergency command centers since our main office in downtown Wilkes-Barre falls within the mandatory evacuation order to bring you this coverage. Reporters and photographers in the field set up shops at the East Mountain Inn in Plains Township and with the county Emergency Management Agency. A team of editors and designers worked out of our sister newspaper, The Times-Tribune in Scranton, to edit, organize and design this edition.

We will continue to produce the newspaper away from our home office while under the mandatory evacuation order. If you have news tips or photos you would like to share with us you can call 821-2056 or email citydesk@citizensvoice.com.

The news team is continuously breaking news on the river conditions and flooding online at citizensvoice.com as well as with our Facebook and Twitter feeds.

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ON THE COVER: The Pierce Street Bridge as seen from the Water Street parking garage. (Kristen Mullen / The Citizens' Voice)

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LOTTERY NUMBERS

DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
Daily # 453	921	Quinto 87166	44955
Big 4 2456	1290	Cash 5 6, 32, 35, 38, 41	
Treasure Hunt 3, 5, 7, 12, 17			
Match 6 3, 5, 18, 22, 33, 34			

Cash 5: No players matched all five numbers drawn. Jackpot rolls to \$225,000.
Match 6: No players matched all six numbers drawn. Jackpot rolls to \$1,980,000.
Powerball: One ticket sold matched all five numbers and the Powerball. Results were 3, 5, 18, 27, 54; Powerball: 13; Power Play: 4. Saturday's jackpot is worth \$20 million.

Economic boost

President Obama unveils \$450B plan to add jobs. **Page 13**



TODAY'S FORECAST

Cloudy and warmer today with a shower or thunderstorm around. Winds west-northwest 3-6 mph.

WILKES-BARRE EXTENDED FORECAST

Average normal highs/lows for the week: 74/54: Clouds and sun, a couple of thunderstorms tomorrow afternoon. Winds north-northeast 4-8 mph. Thunderstorms possible Sunday. Winds south-southeast 4-8 mph.

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
▲ 77 ▼ 59 Showers/storms Last year: 67/56	▲ 73 ▼ 58 T-storms possible 75/46	▲ 78 ▼ 58 A t-storm possible 62/57	▲ 82 ▼ 57 Mostly sunny 77/53	▲ 74 ▼ 50 Sunshine; pleasant 72/48

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EVACUATION // SHELTERS FROM THE STORM

OUT: Levees meet toughest test

FROM PREVIOUS PAGE

The National Weather Service projected the Susquehanna River to crest early Friday morning at 40.8 feet — a fraction below the high-water mark set during Tropical Storm Agnes and inches from the top of the levees that run along the river in Wilkes-Barre and on the West Side.

The river, swollen after a week of rain produced by the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee, could remain at near crest levels for hours, according to a projection released Thursday night.

The levees, overhauled and raised to 41 feet in the decades since the Agnes flood, have never been tested by a flood of Thursday's magnitude. They were holding as of 8:30 p.m. Thursday despite several leaks. Pressure from the river caused a gasket to burst on a floodgate on the Market Street Bridge in Wilkes-Barre. Slight breaches were also reported on the bridge's floodgates in Kingston.

Residents near the levee in Kingston and Edwards-



WEST PITTSBURGH: National Guardsman Sgt. Alex Pell-Kline carries Tiffany Horner from her residence.

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ville scrambled to get household items to higher ground before evacuating Thursday. Emergency vehicles drove up and down the streets, spreading the word of the evacuation order.

Mike Thurston, 31, of Kingston, refused to go.

Thurston, who lives three blocks from the river on Market Street, said he believed the levee would

hold and that there was no reason to flee.

"When I see a wave come down the street, I know it's time to go," Thurston said. "Put on your shoes and run."

Larry Doughton, 71, of South Thomas Street in Kingston, thought back to Agnes as he moved his most prized possessions to the second floor of his home. During the Agnes flooding,

Doughton said, river water nearly reached his attic.

"Who would think it would happen again?" Doughton said.

Troops with the 109th Field Artillery of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard in Kingston spent Thursday on a two-pronged mission: moving their material to the second floor of their armory and helping in the evacuation.

The county requested 300 troops to aid in the evacuation, Urban said.

By mid-afternoon, the National Guard had established a staging area at the Mohegan Sun Arena at Casey Plaza, Wilkes-Barre Township.

The same cycle of moving possessions and fleeing to higher ground played out in Wilkes-Barre. John Nargoski hurriedly packed the belongings from his Richmond Avenue home into plastic bags while his 77-year-old mother recalled how Agnes turned the first floor of her Stark Street home into something closer to "hell" than a home.

"It's not too much fun," John Nargoski said. "You've got a nice home. It's tough."

The mandatory evacuation attracted national attention. Wilkes-Barre Mayor Tom Leighton appeared on CNN, and Jim Cantore of The Weather Channel planted himself at the River Common to report on the flooding. Anne Thompson of NBC News led the network's Nightly News broadcast with a report from Forty Fort.

After surveying Solomon Creek in South Wilkes-Barre, Leighton returned to the city's command center at the Coal Street Ice Rink and ladled himself a cup of warm soup. Most residents, he said, listened to the call to leave their homes and seek shelter with family, at hotels or at one of the two shelters set up at local schools.

As of Thursday afternoon, Leighton said the city had not encountered any major issues save for expected flooding by Hollenback Park.

"Hopefully come Saturday," Leighton said, "we'll

hear some good news and tell the people it's safe to go back into their homes."

For hours Thursday, the Pierce Street Bridge remained the only link between Wilkes-Barre and Kingston. Sheriff's deputies drove and walked up and down the span, continuously chasing people who dared to walk across and gaze down at the rising murky waters.

"Everybody off the levee, off the bridge," the deputies shouted over a loudspeaker.

Luzerne County Detective Chaz Balogh patrolled Wilkes-Barre near dusk Thursday, chasing stragglers to higher ground. He would give those remaining behind until 8 p.m. to leave. Then, he said, they would face arrest.

"I can't believe people are that stupid," Balogh said.

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Displaced find welcome respite at shelters

By Tom Brolley and Jill Snowden
Staff Writers

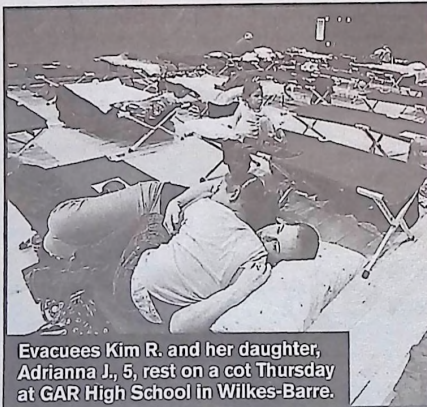
Sharon Assuah and her son Richard hope to leave a temporary American Red Cross shelter at GAR High School as "soon as possible."

Their motivation isn't just because they hope for less severe flooding along the Susquehanna River.

"I'm in my enemy's territory," Richard said. "I'm from Meyers."

The Assuahs, from Charles Street in South Wilkes-Barre, were just two of more than 75,000 residents to evacuate their homes along the Susquehanna River. GAR High School opened its doors Thursday to many of its rivals in South Wilkes-Barre.

The high school reached its 356-person capacity at 3 p.m. Thursday. Red Cross shelter Manager Tom Benson said the temporary shel-



Evacuees Kim R. and her daughter, Adrianna J., 5, rest on a cot Thursday at GAR High School in Wilkes-Barre.

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ter at GAR will help displaced residents for as long as needed.

"We're ready for whatever," Benson said. "They're saying 72 hours, 78 hours. Whatever. We're here for the people."

Benson and his Red Cross workers began diverting displaced residents to Solomon/Plains Junior High School when the GAR shelter reached capacity.

Only a few dozen displaced residents had arrived

at Solomon/Plains by 4 p.m. Thursday.

Margaret Bailoni, a Plains Township crime watch member and a volunteer at the shelter, expected Solomon/Plains to reach capacity by Thursday evening.

Coughlin football players helped prepare the temporary shelter by setting up cots and carrying cases of drinks and food. Crusaders coach Ciro Cinti said it was a great chance for his players to reach out in their community. Bailoni and the rest of the Plains Township crime watch volunteers appreciated the help.

"It was really nice of them to do that," Bailoni said. "And we have a lot of young kids from the junior high school coming in here and volunteering their help. It's really great to see the youth do this."

Bill Yoh of Kingston was just 5 years old in 1972

when Hurricane Agnes hit the Wyoming Valley, forcing his family to flee their home. Thursday afternoon, Yoh and his family were the first evacuees to arrive at the Anderson Center at Misericordia University in Dallas.

This time Yoh was joined by his wife Margaret and 12-year-old daughter Madison.

"I don't remember too much from the flood of '72," Bill Yoh said. "But I do remember evacuating with my parents."

Yoh still lives on Price Street, just a few doors down from his parents' house where he grew up. His parents headed to stay with friends while Yoh went to the Misericordia shelter.

"We didn't think it would be as full here, so we decided to come here," Yoh said.

The scene was similar a few miles away at Dallas Middle School. Middle

school Principal Thomas Duffy was prepared to be at the school Thursday to greet the teachers for a back-to-school in-service. Instead, he waited for the arrival of the Red Cross staff at the makeshift shelter.

"We're open and ready to go," Duffy said. "Our parents of the school have been bringing food over, and my phone keeps ringing with people in the community asking what they can do to help."

Lake-Lehman High School was expecting a large number of overnight guests in its gym. By late afternoon, the gym was transformed into an evacuation area, lined neatly with 300 cots for adults and 100 more for children.

As of 4 p.m., only a few evacuees had made their way to Lake-Lehman.

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EVACUATION // SUSQUEHANNA SWELLS



The Susquehanna River can be seen from the fifth floor of the Guard Insurance Building in Wilkes-Barre on Thursday afternoon. At 7:30 p.m., the river reached 38.79 feet. Projections indicated the river would crest at 40.8 feet around 2 a.m. today.

Cantore lands in W-B

By Denis O'Malley
Staff Writer

Fresh off heading into Hurricane Irene last week, national TV weather personality Jim Cantore came to Wilkes-Barre on Thursday to get a first-person taste of the surging Susquehanna's floodwaters.

"There's really nobody who got a break from this," Cantore said during his 5 p.m. broadcast on The Weather Channel from along the levy walls in the area of the North Street Bridge in the city.

Cantore announced his day's destination Thursday morning on his Twitter account, explaining that he wanted to see the "biggest evacuation and worst PA flood since Agnes."

And that is what he got when he arrived in the "ghost town" Wilkes-Barre had become by late Thursday.

Cantore interviewed William Vinsko, assistant city attorney, along the raging river to see how the city had handled evacuating areas at highest risk.

"People come first, buildings second," Vinsko said, explaining that some 20,000 residents had been removed from their homes in the low-lying areas of the city.

Those areas were evacuated by 4 p.m. Thursday, Vinsko said, and may not be habitable for three days, a length he attributed to the city's aging and back-up-prone storm drainage system.

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Cantore

River lays waste across area

By Patrick Sweet
Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE — Rosanne Donahue loves the Susquehanna River, at least when it stays in its place.

All day Thursday and through this morning, though, the river eclipsed its bounds and laid waste to areas all over Luzerne County and forced the evacuation of thousands. At 7:30 p.m., the river reached 38.79 feet — more than 16 feet above the level when flood stage begins — and projections indicated the river would crest at 40.8 feet around 2 a.m. today.

"I hope we have a fast crest," said Donahue, who lives on the flooded River Street in the Port Blanchard area, "and it goes down fast."

Officials at the Luzerne County Emergency Management Agency on Thursday closely monitored the river at its Water Street building. Jim Brozina, director of the county Flood Protection Authority, said the levee would hold the river up to between 41 and 43 feet.

During a midday update, the National Weather Service said "the Wilkes-Barre area

is of great concern to us."

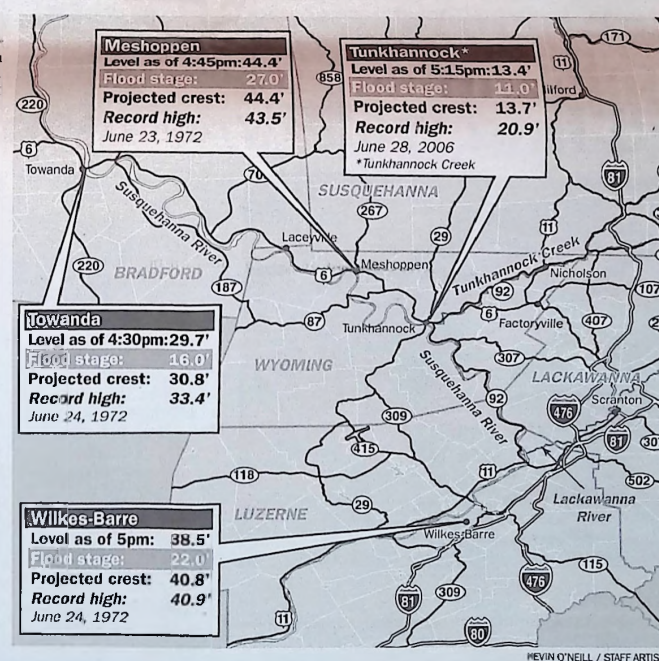
"In Wilkes-Barre, (the river) is just rocketing up," a weather service official told a packed yet relatively quiet room of emergency responders. "Wilkes-Barre has us concerned in that area."

From 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, the Susquehanna rose by an average of more than 10 inches every hour, according to National Weather Service data.

As projections for the river's eventual crest began to rise above 40 feet, county commissioners remained optimistic the levees would work and focused their attention on evacuations early in the day.

At more than 38 feet, lowlands around the county were flooded and the river was inching its way up streets in Wilkes-Barre. Pressure from the water broke a gasket on the Market Street Bridge flood gates, allowing water to stream in. County Commissioner Stephen A. Urban said the Pennsylvania National Guard and county workers were bringing in pumps and sandbagging the leaks.

"There's no damage to the wall," Urban said. "It's



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just a gasket."

With the river roaring by, many people were calling the EMA with false reports, send-

ing Director Steve Beganich on wild goose chases.

"We've had several false reports," Beganich said.

"There've been only a few minor emergencies."

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EVACUATION // WILKES-BARRE RESIDENTS TAKE SHELTER

Familiar refrain in W-B

By Andrew Staub
Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE — As the Susquehanna River crept steadily higher Thursday afternoon, Fred Zomer and his son Nikita walked along the levee protecting South Wilkes-Barre on their way to help fill sandbags farther south.

"This baby is rising fast," Fred Zomer said.

Below the Zomers, up to 20,000 city residents packed their belongings into whatever bags they had, lugged furniture onto moving trucks and fled for emergency shelters or higher ground as the river threatened to swell to more than 40 feet, close to the highest level the levee walls can support.

The threat of flooding that could rival that of the disastrous 1972 Tropical Storm Agnes more than convinced even the most flood-hardened of residents living near the river or close to the unpredictable creeks to heed an order to leave their homes.

One of those residents, Nancy Nargoski, turned 77 on



Wilkes-Barre Mayor Tom Leighton calls for an evacuation of the city during press conference.

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Thursday and recalled how floodwaters from Agnes filled the first floor of her Stark Street home and left her family living in a trailer for almost a year. As her son packed his family's belongings into plastic bags on Richmond Avenue on Thursday, Nargoski couldn't help but think "not again," she said.

"They always said it would come every 100 years," Nargoski said of the disastrous flooding from Agnes. "Well, it came a lot sooner than 100 years."

Wilkes-Barre Mayor Tom Leighton ordered the mandatory evacuation of homes in the city's flood zones at 9 a.m. Thursday, telling residents to

pack clothing, food and prescription medicine in case they were displaced for as many as three days. The affected areas included neighborhoods near the river, around the Brookside levee system and by Solomon, Lauren Run and Mill creeks.

City emergency personnel and National Guardsmen

spent the morning and afternoon informing residents in the flood zone of the evacuation.

Forty-five minutes before the evacuation deadline, they made a final sweep of the neighborhoods to urge stragglers to hurry or face possible disaster.

"This evacuation has been ordered for your safety for that of your loved ones and your homes," Leighton said as he addressed the city on live television Thursday morning. "We are a strong community. We are resilient. We will come back and we'll endure this storm."

By 3 p.m., more than 350 people packed an emergency shelter at GAR High School in the Heights section of the city, forcing officials to divert others seeking refuge to Solomon/Plains Junior High School in Plains Township.

Leighton also moved the city's command center from City Hall to the Coal Street Ice Rink, where it could remain for days.

On Regent Street, Jennifer Oakley and her father Frank

Oakley searched in vain for a hotel that would accommodate their three dogs. They had already moved Jennifer's mother's collection of Elvis memorabilia to upper floors from the basement. She died last year, and Jennifer Oakley and her 7-year-old son, John, said they were worried about losing the precious reminders of their mother and grandmother.

"We don't like to lose memories of Nana," John Oakley said.

As the river swelled, city officials grew increasingly worried about the waterways in the city, especially Solomon Creek near the Oakley's home. Pump stations that push water into the river from the creeks eventually shut off when the river level rises, which can cause creeks to back up, said Drew McLaughlin, the city's spokesman.

Areas near Hollenback Park were submerged by Thursday afternoon, though Leighton expected such flooding, he said.

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Rising waters disrupts college schedules

By Tom Brooley
Staff Writer

WILKES-BARRE — Samantha Genna moved into her Wilkes University dormitory just two weeks ago.

The freshman nursing student moved out of her room Thursday morning with the waters of the Susquehanna River rapidly rising.

Wilkes-Barre officials ordered a mandatory evacuation for parts of the city by 4 p.m. Thursday. The evacuation locations included the campuses of Wilkes University and King's College, which first alerted students about the evacuations early Thursday morning.

On a normal weekday morning, the Wilkes campus is bustling with students walking between classes. By 11 a.m. Thursday, the campus was nearly empty with just a few stragglers moving their



Ted Gladfelter, right, helps his son Nicholas evacuate from Holy Cross Hall at King's College on Thursday.

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belongings out of dorms and apartments.

Genna, from Swiftwater, came to the River Commons at West Northampton and South River streets to get one final look at the Susquehanna River around 11 a.m.

"I was here last night and you were able to see everything," Genna said. "Now, you can't see anything. Even

the whole sidewalk is under water."

The majority of students were able to leave the area before the Susquehanna crested early Friday morning. But a few students elected to stay in the Wyoming Valley through the weekend. Wilkes sent about 60 students to stay at the University of Scranton for the weekend.

About 25 King's students and 35 residence life personnel congregated Friday afternoon at Scandlon Gymnasium before heading to Heights Elementary School.

King's students will be the only displaced people at Heights Elementary, and residence life staffers brought along board games, footballs, basketball and guitars to pass the time.

Peter Janssen, a sophomore English writing major, had to stick around this weekend.

His parents, from Somerset, N.J., couldn't pick him up in time to leave the area before the 4 p.m. evacuation deadline.

"You're with your friends if they haven't left already and (King's) is a nice play to be," Janssen said. "Of course, you can't do anything for the next four days and you have to be some-

where else. But it could be worse."

King's junior Dan Quinn made last-minute arrangements to be picked up by a friend at Bucknell University.

Quinn, a criminal justice major from Upper Darby, didn't want to stay in the elementary school for the whole weekend. He wished King's could have given students more advanced warning so students without vehicles could make arrangements.

"My friend saved me. I was scrambling for awhile," Quinn said. "I thought I was going to be stuck here for the night. Thank god I avoided that."

King's and Wilkes postponed or cancelled all sporting events through the weekend, including two football games.

The Monarchs were set to play Bethany College in

West Virginia and the Colonels were set to play Waynesburg in Southwest Pennsylvania. The teams will look to reschedule the games at the end of the season but neither school seemed to optimistic that they'll be able to make up the games.

Wilkes freshman Kenzie Teno and the rest of the Colonels field hockey team still got an indoor practice in at 6:30 a.m. Thursday.

Teno, a freshman pharmacy major, also made a trip to the River Commons to capture a few photos of the Susquehanna on Thursday morning. In just two weeks, the freshman has been through Hurricane Irene and Susquehanna River flooding.

"Irene was nothing compared to how bad the river is flooded now," Teno said.

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EVACUATION // IN PICTURES: FLOODING ACROSS LUZERNE COUNTY



PLAINS TOWNSHIP: Residents of Plainsville can only watch the flood from Courtright Street as their homes are inundated.

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PLAINS TOWNSHIP: A resident of Courtright Street in Plains struggles around her house.

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WILKES-BARRE: Geoffrey Hodle loads up a stove as he evacuates from 224 New Mallory Place.

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WEST PITTSSTON: Water makes its way up Luzerne Avenue.

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WILKES-BARRE: American Red Cross volunteer Gloria Banks, of Scranton, serves food to Wilkes-Barre evacuees Kenneth Lee, left, and Edward Rehill at the GAR High School shelter location.

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WILKES-BARRE: Luzerne County Emergency Management Agency Director Steve Bekanich, left, and Executive Director of the Flood Protection Authority Jim Brozena make plans at the Luzerne County EMA building.

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PITTSSTON: The curious, like this man walking on the rail road tracks, were out Thursday in the Port Blanchard area. A mandatory evacuation was ordered ahead of a projected near-record crest of the Susquehanna River.

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EVACUATION // CASE OF DEJA VU

'It's Agnes all over again'

Across Wyoming Valley, residents find ways to escape flooding, remember '72 storm

By Elizabeth Skrapits
Staff Writer

PLYMOUTH TWP. — Residents of the township have been flooded so often they know the drill when the Susquehanna River starts to rise.

But Thursday's flooding, the worst since Tropical Storm Agnes in June 1972, took even flood veterans by surprise. People watched anxiously to see whether the river would reach its predicted crest of 40.8 feet.

"We don't know. We're like everyone else, watching to see," firefighter Thomas Deretchin said at the municipal building, which had been turned into an emergency firehouse since the Plymouth Township Volunteer Fire Co. on East Poplar Street was evacuated. "God only knows if the dike's going to hold. Everybody's crossing their fingers."

By 4 p.m., many homes on U.S. Route 11, and Allen, East and West Poplar and Canal streets had water up to their first floor. Plymouth Township Emergency Management Coordinator Robert Dunn — whose own home on Allen Street was flooded — said the water was 7 and 8 feet high in places.

Leonard Stadts, who lives on Route 11 in the West Nanticoke section, put on his fishing waders to evacuate when the water reached his doorstep around 4 p.m. The last time the water reached his house was during the Agnes flood, he said.

"I just hope it doesn't reach the first floor," Stadts said.

But he was able to look at the bright side: "Hey, I don't have to water my tomato plants this week," he joked, adding, "I'll be back after it crests."

Supervisor Chairwoman Gale Conrad and her husband Mark towed their rowboat up a makeshift road over Avondale Hill to get a better view of the carnage in West Nanticoke. They launched the boat at Route 11 a few hundred yards from the state Route 29 intersection.

On U.S. Route 11 at East Poplar Street, cars were submerged to their roofs, propane tanks floated around the flooded PSC gas station and an assortment of peoples' belongings ranging from a mop and bucket to children's pool toys bobbed along on the dirty water.

The sign for the Calvary United Methodist Church was nearly underwater. A car, lifted by the flood water, floated near the door of the Shell gas station. A strong smell of petroleum permeated the air.

Megan Zywoitek watched the flood creep up Route 11 near the township building, knowing it couldn't rise high enough to reach her house on the hill just up the road.

"It's fun. My kids love it," she said.

Her daughter Savana Gwynn, 11, agreed, watching as a Pennsylvania National Guard vehicle tried to plow across the flooded road but had to turn back because it was too deep.



WEST NANTICOKE: Water surrounds a gas service station on East Poplar Street. Plymouth Township Emergency Management Agency Coordinator Robert Dunn says the water is up to 7 to 8 feet in some spots due to flooding.

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PLAINS TOWNSHIP: Harry Thomas, of Plainsville, steadies a pontoon boat on Courtright Street as flood waters rise.

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WEST PITSTON: Joe Newhart moves belongings from his Insurance Agency on Wyoming Avenue in West Pittston.

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"It's kind of fun to see cars and trucks drive through it, but it's kind of gross because rats and snakes are swimming around in the water," she said.

Conrad said she had requested state Sen. John Yudichak, D-Nanticoke, send in National Guard troops to deter looting and ensure people didn't enter closed roads.

"It's Agnes all over again," resident Ed Long said, watching the muddy water make its way up the pavement.

It was the first flood Long hadn't had to worry about: his home on Route 11 was bought out and demolished through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's flood mitigation program, and he moved to higher ground in the township.

"It gets to the point where enough's enough," Long said.

Exeter

The borough started to build a 450-foot long levee with dirt along Susquehanna Avenue around 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Council President Rich Murawski said.

Homes on the river side of the Susquehanna Avenue were evacuated.

Murawski said the dirt dike was going to protect homes on the other side of the street. A dirt dike in 2006 helped stop the river from crossing the street.

"I got to give them credit for trying," Bryon Baldygo said, watching work on the dirt dike from his home.

Baldygo said it took 90 minutes Thursday morning to get home from work at FedEx in Jenkins Township. It usually is a five-minute drive across the bridge to West Pittston, but that bridge was closed. He said he encountered bumper-to-

bumper traffic on the Cross Valley Expressway.

Around 3 p.m., Darlene Swithers was planning to flee her home on the river-side of the road. The river was approaching the back of her house.

"I am ready to have a heart attack," she said.

Swithers said she bought her home 15 years ago. She said her home was not damaged by the 1972 Agnes flood.

Earlier Thursday, Carmen Mauriello and Andrew Schutz got in a row boat to save about six chickens at Frank's Produce on the river-side of Susquehanna Avenue.

Forty Fort

Dozens of people around 2:30 p.m. were looking at the Susquehanna River along the levee by River Street.

"I think we are going to be fine," Paul Congdon said, surveying the river.

A borough police officer told the crowd to get off the levee. "We are not going to save you," an officer in a vehicle said to the crowd.

Police Officer David McDermott said traffic on River Street was "bumper to bumper" from noon to 2 p.m.

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EVACUATION // ANXIOUS MOMENTS FOR DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES

Business owners make mad dash out of downtown

By Denise Allabaugh
Staff Writer

Anxiety filled downtown Wilkes-Barre on Thursday morning as news broke that the Susquehanna River was expected to rise to exceed 40 feet. Business owners hurried to pack up and prepare to close early and evacuate.

Workers at Rodano's on Public Square spent a portion of the morning hauling away liquor and food in anticipation of major downtown flooding. It was a similar scene throughout downtown Wilkes-Barre at businesses, which coped with closures, lost revenue and panic about what lies ahead.

'I'm going to stay here until they blow the whistle. I'm going to keep on working until I get everything out of here.'

ANN MARIE BOSSARD
Anthracite Newsstand co-owner

"We will probably lose everything," said Alex Patel, an employee at Matus News Stand on Public Square as he prepared to close at 2 p.m.

Ann Marie Bossard, co-owner of Anthracite News-

stand, remembers when raging waters from the Agnes Flood of 1972 rose to the top of the front door of her business and they lost almost everything. She said she wasn't taking any chances this time. She

and her family and friends packed up everything they could before they evacuated Thursday afternoon.

"I don't want to go through another one," Bossard said. "I'm taking the cash registers. I'm trying to take one of the lottery machines with me. I'm trying to take everything I possibly can. I'm taking the coolers. I'm taking the cigarettes. I'm going to stay here until they blow the whistle. I'm going to keep on working until I get every-

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thing out of here."

Mark Bronsburg, owner of Mimmo's Pizza on Public Square, was busy Thursday morning preparing to close at 1 p.m.

"My wife and I are trying to take as much as we can," Bronsburg said. "We are going to see what we can take

and we are going to put the rest in the walk-in and duct tape it. I could get 48 hours out of it. If it's longer than that, I'll lose everything."

Business already has been tough and the early closure and possibility of being closed for an extended time really will take a toll, he said. Since he had to close early Thursday and will be closed Friday and likely the weekend, he expects he will lose at least \$3,000.

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EVACUATION // ANXIOUS MOMENTS FOR DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES

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Patti Watkins, an employee at Curry Donuts on Public Square, closed the business at noon and got ready to move her 80-year-old mother out of Wilkes-Barre to Pittston.

"I'm nervous right now," Watkins said.

Dunkin' Donuts in downtown Wilkes-Barre shut down

at noon. Prior of that, employees also were busy moving items.

"We're trying to get everyone out safely," said Mike Davis, shift leader. "There is a

lot of anxiety because no one knows what's going to happen."

Meanwhile, business was exceptionally high at a number of businesses outside the

flood zone such as gas stations, grocery stores and hotels.

Schiel's Family Market in Wilkes-Barre was very busy until it closed at noon, owner

Frank Schiel said.

At the East Mountain Inn in Plains Township, all 152 rooms were filled as of 6 a.m., said Andy Roke, front desk clerk. All 150 rooms also were

filled at the Woodlands Inn and Resort in Plains Township, said operator Lorraine George.

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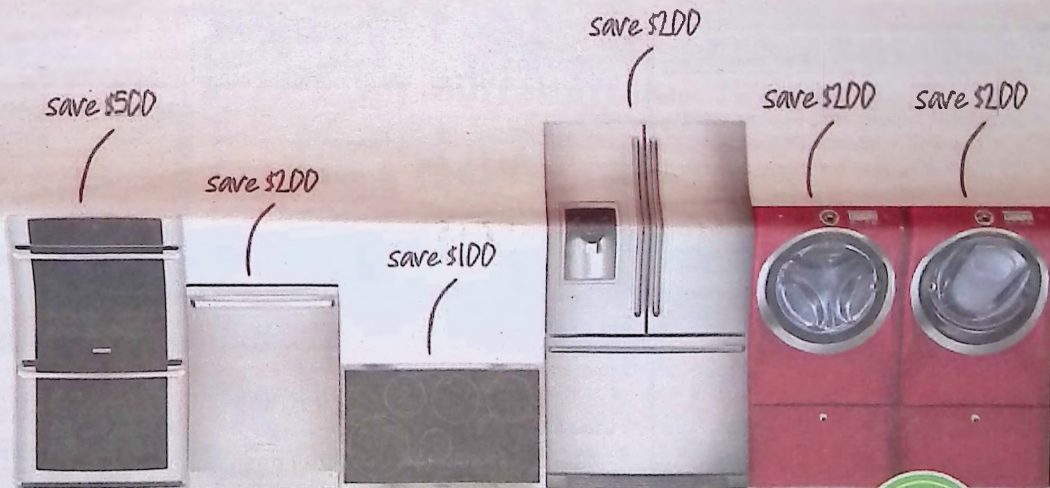
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EVACUATION // GOVERNOR MOBILIZES TROOPS

400 Guard soldiers deployed to W-B

By Robert Swift
Staff Writer

HARRISBURG — Some 1,200 Pennsylvania National Guard troops are being mobilized to deal with life-threatening flooding along the Susquehanna River, and 400 of them are committed to help with the mandatory evacuations of thousands of residents in Wilkes-Barre, Gov. Tom Corbett and state emergency officials said Thursday.



Corbett

The governor said the flood threat is expected to be the greatest Thursday night in Wilkes-Barre as the Susquehanna River flows through a narrow channel in the Wyoming Valley, while cities downstream from Bloomsburg to Harrisburg can expect to experience the impact of record crests in the days ahead.

"We have National Guard troops going in to help Wilkes-Barre," added Corbett. "They will help with the evacuation and provide security."

Wilkes-Barre Mayor Tom Leighton and Maj. Gen. Wesley Craig, the state adjutant general, will determine the exact role that the National Guard will play to help residents, he said.

Meanwhile, the state Health Department is establishing a mobile hospital on the west side of the Susquehanna River across from Wilkes-Barre. A mobile hospital is needed because the city's main hospitals are on the east side of the river, therefore making travel difficult,

Corbett said. Corbett also said he's received information that Marcellus Shale gas firms have stopped drilling operations in the vicinity of overflowing rivers in Northeastern Pennsylvania to avoid spills in wastewater impoundments.

Pointing to an aerial photo of the Wyoming Valley, Corbett spoke of the challenges facing state and local officials with a river flood rivaling that of Tropical Storm Agnes in 1972. The attention of state officials is also focused on

Bradford County where emergency access and travel is difficult because of many flooded roads.

This proved a problem with the successful evacuation of some 100 elderly residents from the Ashton Health Care home in Troy, said Glenn Cannon, director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency.

A Swift Water Rescue Craft team from southwestern Pennsylvania assisted with the home's evacuation, Cannon said.

Elsewhere, state officials have evacuated 266 residents from Wernersville State Hospital in Wernersville, Berks County, due to a flood threat and sent them to other state hospitals, officials said.

"We face a clear public health emergency," said Corbett, referring to the flooding of municipal sewage treatment plants.

Flooding has led to the closing of Interstate 81 south of Pine Grove due to the road subbase being washed out, he added.

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Red Cross flying in workers

Wyoming County pummeled

By Denis J. O'Malley
Staff Writer

The American Red Cross is sending a team of employees from its headquarters in Washington, D.C., to set up a command post for Northeast Pennsylvania for the next three weeks.

Kristen L. Polidori, director of community relations for the American Red Cross of Lackawanna County, said the Red Cross is scouting locations of at least 25,000 square feet in Lackawanna County to use as a central command center to coordinate and provide for the myriad evacuation shelters opening across the region in the wake of today's massive flooding.

The team — the size of which Polidori was not aware of — will be arriving from Washington from today through the weekend and will take over all operations related to disaster management and the organization of shelters.

"They're going to take over," Polidori said. "We need their help and their support at this point."

Local Red Cross workers are currently scouting locations for a temporary command center in Lackawanna County — which has been spared serious flooding — to relocate their current command center in Wilkes-Barre, Polidori said. Officials are expected to pick a site in Lackawanna County today. The American Red Cross is expected to pick a Lackawanna County site today.

Running shelters, arranging shipments of food and supplies, recruiting of and performing background checks on new volunteers will all be performed from the command center in Lackawanna County over the next three weeks, Polidori said.

"It takes a lot to put something like this together," Polidori said.

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In Wyoming County, the Susquehanna River at Meshoppen stood at 44.42 feet at 5:30 p.m., the highest level ever recorded. During the Agnes flood in 1972, the river crested at 43.51 feet.

Commissioner Anthony Litwin said flooding was so prevalent throughout the county that it would be difficult to say any one area was hit harder than another.

"The worst of the flooding is anywhere along the river," Litwin said. "From Laceyville to Falls, it's pretty much all the same. ... There were places that had never flooded before that were hit pretty hard."

The county Emergency Management Agency did not have an estimate of the number of people displaced, but Litwin said it was easily several hundred. No injuries were reported.

In Tunkhannock, bucket loaders were used to evacuate about 30 residents from Tioga Terrace apartments after they were isolated by flooding from Swale Brook. Riding in the buckets in groups of three to six, the evacuees were ferried across a broad expanse of water on McCord and Second streets to waiting school buses.

In Laceyville, at least one man had to be rescued from the roof of his home by helicopter, Litwin said.

The American Red Cross



Two people walk by Gay's True Value in Tunkhannock. The landmark store gained 2-3 feet of water in just four hours in this image taken at noon, with a bucket loader of emergency rescue helpers from Triton Hose Co. moving across Bridge Street.

was housing between 140 and 150 people at shelters at Tunkhannock Area High School, Walmart in Tunkhannock and the Emanon Country Club in Falls, said Stephen McHenry, director of the Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties chapter.

He said about half of those were at the high school, where many of the evacuees from Tioga Terrace were taken.

"It's a fluid number," McHenry said.

Jan Kaskey, spokeswoman for the East Central Task Force Incident Management Team, which was assisting the county EMA, said there were road closures "too numerous to mention," including sections of Route 6.

The county instituted a travel ban Thursday morning, prohibiting all but emergency and essential traffic, she said. The intent is to keep the road clear for emergency responders.

"The most significant

issue is the road closures and trying to get people to stay off the road," Ms. Kaskey said. "We are urging all residents to stay put if they can."

Litwin asked for patience and cooperation, saying the county faces a long and slow recovery.

"It's going to take a while to clear these roads and bridges and get people back in their homes," he said.

Borough residents rallied around the renovated Dietrich Theater on East Tioga

Street, which two years ago opened a \$2 million expansion to the public.

Brown floodwaters poured into the new section Thursday, and the theater does not have flood insurance, executive director Hildy Morgan said.

"It's the whole new section... the children's room, the concession, the two whole new theaters," she said. "It's just overwhelming."

Susquehanna County

Emergency management officials said no one was injured, but tentatively estimated 50 to 100 homes and businesses were affected by flooding. They reported "major damage" in Hallstead and Great Bend boroughs and were anxiously awaiting the Susquehanna River's crest.

The nearest river gauges to the Susquehanna River where it flows in northern Susquehanna County are at Windsor, N.Y., and Conklin, N.Y., both southeast of Binghamton.

At Windsor, where major flooding begins at 20.5 feet, the river was at more than 24 feet by mid-afternoon with a predicted crest of 26 feet at 8 a.m. today.

At Conklin, where major flooding begins at 20 feet, the river had crossed 23.9 feet on the way to a forecast crest of 25 feet at 2 a.m. today.

Flooding forces road closures

By Cecilia Baress
Staff Writer

Rising flood waters closed roads throughout Luzerne County on Thursday, slowing evacuations and forcing residents to find alternative routes to safety.

The Pierce Street bridge, which stayed open most of the day as the Susquehanna swelled beneath it, closed at about 4 p.m., according to Kingston police. Other spans crossing the river, including the Market Street bridge and

CLOSED ROADS

FOR A FULL LIST of road closures in Luzerne County, see PAGE 27.

the Water Street, Fort Jenkins and Eighth Street bridges, closed Thursday morning.

State Department of Transportation spokesman Michael Taluto said he expects road closures to continue as water continues to rise. Closures will be in effect as long as water levels remain

high. Motorists should find alternate routes wherever possible and avoid traveling through standing water on roads, he said.

AccuWeather meteorologist Alex Sosnowski warned that trying to ford seemingly shallow water in a motor vehicle can be dangerous.

"Even 6 inches to a foot of water has tremendous force," he said.

Water also prevents drivers from seeing if a roadway is compromised. Potholes and sinkholes develop as the

weight of the water washes away soil and sediment.

"Anytime you have rain and traffic, you're going to have potholes," he said.

The rapid rise of water caused by heavy rainfall, known as flash flooding, will continue to compromise roadways, especially those along smaller streams, Sosnowski said. Downpours expected throughout the weekend will have little effect on large rivers, but can bring small streams up to flood level very quickly.

"We still run the risk of some nasty downpours into the weekend," he said. "They will become more isolated in nature, but the threat will continue."

Saturation of the ground due to several days of rain is playing a role as well. Lakes and reservoirs are at capacity, and anything water that falls on the ground is just going to run off, Sosnowski said.

"It's not being absorbed anymore, it's just running off."

Evacuate or not? Area emotions run the gamut

For some residents, the process is routine; for others, it can be a tense time.

By STEVE MOCARSKY
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In the small section of Plainsville in Plains Township, Robin Williams, her daughters and boyfriend moved their first-floor furniture upstairs and quickly packed vehicles with belongings Thursday evening.

Township officials in a firetruck drove through announcing that every resident had to evacuate by midnight. The Susquehanna River was expected to crest above flood stage.

"Frustrated. Nervous. Upset. Anxious. You name it and I'm feeling it, not knowing what you're coming back home to. Do you have a home? What's going to be left?" Williams said.

It's not the first time that Williams, 51, had to evacuate from her Mitchell Street rental for flooding, and she's tired of it.

"I don't see us coming back here," Williams said. "They're saying we're supposed to get about 6 feet (of water) on the first floor. What's worse right now is if it hits as hard as they're saying, am I going to be able to get upstairs to get my stuff out of here? Am I going to lose

my stuff?"

Williams, her daughter, Danika, 10, and Williams' boyfriend, Mark Gahimer, 51, will be staying with her older daughter, Bobbi-Jo Fleig, at her home in Bear Creek.

"Next time you'll be down here is probably on the boat," Fleig told her mother.

Two blocks away, Tom Skursky, 52, of West Wyoming, and his son, Brian, 24, were helping Skursky's 17-year-old nephew, John Skursky, pack lawn machines into a pickup truck bed as they waited for John's mother, Janice Carswell, to get home from work.

Tom Skursky said he remembered helping neighbors in the flood of 1972, but this was his nephew's first evacuation.

John said he wasn't worried. "I have no school," he said with a smile, noting he received a text alert that Coughlin High School, as well as all Wilkes-Barre Area schools, would be closed today.

He's not worried about his home either. "I got all my stuff out — my hockey stuff, my golf stuff, my snowboard and pictures," he said.

Around the corner on Robert Street, Shari Harris, 30, was gathering toys and other things she planned to take for her 2-year-old son, Hayden, when her husband, Thomas, arrived home and they could leave for a friend's house in Lackawanna County.



Tom Skursky, John Skursky and Jason Weldman load up property to move to higher ground on Wednesday in anticipation of flooding.

"I've been here seven weeks. I didn't expect to get flooded within seven weeks of being here," said Williams, who moved there from Moosic.

"It's not a big deal," Donna Stephens, Williams' landlord, said. "To you it may not be a big deal," Harris retorted.

"It's not a big deal," Stephens insisted. "We're going to have a bonfire, we're getting a case of beer and we've got grills to get going and everything else. We've got boats to take us in and out. My husband's got his boat over there, it's ready to go. And if it gets higher than that, we've got a guy coming down with a big, humungous boat. We've got it covered," Stephens, 52, said.

In West Pittston, Joseph Schillaci, 57, a resident of Susquehanna Avenue for 20 years, didn't plan on being out of his home by midnight either.

"I've evacuated in the past when the water was (up to the second of five steps leading to his porch). That's time for me to go, and I don't think it's going to be there at midnight. ... I'll keep a watch on it, though. I won't put myself in jeopardy," he said.

If he and his wife, Maria, and daughter Rosa find it necessary to stay with relatives, Schillaci said he's taking "just things that can't be replaced. We've been through the drill before. It's like having a wife who's eight months pregnant.



Hayden Harris, 2, sits in the back of his family's van while his mother packs in Plainsville during the evacuation Wednesday.

We've done the drill."

Schillaci discussed with longtime friend Matt Sciacacuzzi, 33, of Pittston Township, a game plan for barricading the doors and windows with rubber-backed carpet and sheets of linoleum to keep the mud out.

"This is what bothers me more than the storm," Schillaci said, pointing to the street. "The sightseers ... when they come watch the disaster."

Sciacacuzzi said the valley "could probably use a flood" because of the federal aid that would likely come this way.

"The carpet guy gets work, the roofer gets work, the landscaper gets work. This is why people have

insurance. I'm an insurance man and reasons like this are why people need insurance. You're compensated for your loss and then everyone in the community makes out," he said.

Rose Marie Mesaris said her daughter, Charlene Maroni, moved in the home next door to Schillaci because "she fell in love with it."

Maroni, her husband, John, and their dog, Asia, will stay with Mesaris until it's safe to move back to their home, Mesaris said.

"We're hoping that they're going to be wrong about the forecast, but I doubt it. She loves the house, it was something that she really wanted. Hopefully, it won't be too bad," Mesaris said.

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ASSESSMENT // 'EXTREME LIMITS OF FLOOD CONTROL'

LEVEE PUSHED

By Michael R. Sisak
Staff Writer

The Susquehanna River surged to a record crest of 42.66 feet in Wilkes-Barre early Friday, inflicting unprecedented stress on the Luzerne County levee system and devastating flooding on communities not guarded by the floodwalls.

Coffee-colored river water stained streets and structures from Jenkins Township to Shickshinny in some areas smelling like gasoline; rescuers pulled a family from a rapidly filling home in West Pittston; and workers worked throughout the day and night to plug leaking portions of the levee in Forty Fort and Wilkes-Barre.

Gov. Tom Corbett and U.S. Sens. Bob Casey and Pat Toomey toured flood-ravaged communities and pledged ample state and federal assistance.

President Barack Obama declared a federal emergency early Friday morning.

"We are at the extreme limits of the flood control system," said Jim Brozena, the executive director of the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority.

The river crested around 3 a.m. Friday, surpassing the previous record high of 40.91 feet during Tropical Storm Agnes in 1972, but the figure remained unknown for hours

after a river gauge malfunctioned Thursday night.

The levee system, protecting Wilkes-Barre and several neighboring communities, was built to withstand river levels up to 44 feet, Brozena said.

The river receded rapidly after cresting, falling to 37.4 feet by 8 p.m., county officials said. Residents in the floodplain will not be allowed to return home until the river falls below 28 feet, which could come sometime today.

Col. Dave Anderson of the Army Corps of Engineers reported Friday afternoon that the levee system was performing "extraordinarily well" despite concerns about leaks in Forty Fort, Wilkes-Barre and Hanover Township.

Still, Anderson warned, "this flood fight is not over. This flood system, this levee system has been incredibly stressed."

Anderson, echoing the words of state and county officials, advised residents of communities nearest the river to heed a mandatory evacuation order issued Thursday and remain far from the river until officials declare it is safe to return.

"Put space between yourselves and the water," Anderson said.

Corbett aide Bill Goldsworthy, the former mayor of West Pittston, had a more dire



JENKINS TOWNSHIP: U.S. Sen. Pat Toomey leans over to get a closer look at debris piled up near the Eighth Street Bridge. At left is Luzerne County Commissioner Stephen A. Urban.

warning: "You could die."

Brozena announced the revised crest figure around 1 p.m. following a closed-door meeting with county leaders and emergency planners. The

National Weather Service previously reported the river cresting at 9:45 p.m., Thursday at 38.83 feet.

The U.S. Geological Survey, which maintains the flood

gauges, confirmed the crest level Friday morning after emergency officials noticed unanticipated flooding effects, Brozena said.

The disparity may have

created a false sense of security among residents confident in the integrity of the levee system, Corbett said.

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ON THE COVER: An aerial view of the Susquehanna River as it snaked through Wilkes-Barre on Friday.
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Police apprehend copper thieves

Five people were arrested and charged in thefts of copper from transmission tower. **Page 35**



TODAY'S FORECAST

Fog during the morning; some sun with a couple of thunderstorms today. Winds north-northeast 4-8 mph.

WILKES-BARRE EXTENDED FORECAST

Average normal highs/lows for the week: 74/53: A couple of showers and a thunderstorm tomorrow afternoon. Winds south-southwest 3-6 mph. Clouds and sun Monday. Winds northwest 6-12 mph. Mostly sunny Tuesday.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
▲73 ▼58 Showers/thunderstorms Last year: 75/46	▲78 ▼58 Partly sunny 62/57	▲80 ▼60 Mostly sunny 77/53	▲76 ▼51 A t-storm possible 72/48	▲67 ▼45 Plenty of sunshine 70/46

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ASSESSMENT // 'EXTREME LIMITS OF FLOOD CONTROL'

TO THE LIMIT



WEST PITTSTON: Sens. Bob Casey, left, and Pat Toomey speak with local officials Friday morning.

Devastation in perspective

By Josh McAuliffe
Staff Writer

The clouds parted and the sun finally emerged after a too-long absence. All in all, the perfect afternoon for a joyride high above the Susquehanna River.

The scenery was less pleasant. On Friday, Times-Tribune staff members took to the skies in a Piper Archer II plane to get an aerial view of the havoc the Susquehanna unleashed on the towns that line its overturned banks. Flying out of Tech Aviation Flight School at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport, with pilot Jeremy Morris at the controls, the plane traveled north to Towanda, in Bradford County, then turned around and made its way down to Shickshinny in Luzerne County.

Traveling a few thousand feet above the winding, overloaded river gives a different perspective, literally and figuratively.

Seeing devastation for miles after unobstructed mile lent perspective to the enormity of the disaster: millions of dollars, or more, in property damage, and untold lives upended.

The lofty vantage point also highlights how these towns are — even those relatively unscathed by the storm's effects. They are not islands unto themselves, although from above some now resembled islands surrounded by acres of muddy, filthy water.

In Tunkhannock, a day after the river and Tunkhannock Creek unleashed their fury downtown, the water appeared to be receding, although it could still be seen running up to the walls of many of the quaint town's landmarks, including Gay's True Value Hardware.

Farther north, the Proctor & Gamble plant in Mehoopany loomed just as prominently. From the middle distance, the sprawling property looked to be untouched. That could not be said of the tightly-woven collection of houses on the other side of the river.

Nearby, a single vehicle traveled along a rusty metal blue bridge, while a fire truck parked along Route 6 near Laceyville sprayed plumes of water into the air.

And Wyalusing High School? It's now beachfront property.

A steady caravan of cars crossed the Route 6 bridge into downtown Towanda, but the town had plenty of still-submerged pockets. There was no action on the runways at its partially underwater airport.

The plane turned around and headed south.

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"My concern is if we have a breach, people are just not paying attention and there will be water sweeping down from Forty Fort," Corbett said.

Engineers worked into the wee hours Friday and again Friday afternoon, to fortify a 200-foot section of levee along the Susquehanna River in Forty Fort that developed "stability issues" as rising floodwaters saturated the ground.

Brozena said Friday afternoon he believed workers had "turned a corner" on efforts to fortify a section of the levee in Forty Fort.

Brozena said officials were concerned about "under seepage," a phenomenon where water courses under the levee walls and forces its way into areas normally protected by the levee.

Workers built a stabilizing berm along the section of the levee, placing filter fabric and rock materials against the floodwalls in an effort to negate heavy pressure created by the high river levels, Brozena said.

Officials were monitoring the berm to guard against possible breaches, Brozena said.

Anderson, who arrived in Wilkes-Barre around 2:30 p.m. after touring other flooded parts of the state, said the record river levels had been "a real stressor to the entire system."

The river continued to leak through blown gaskets at the floodgates along the Market Street Bridge in Wilkes-Barre, Brozena said. Images of the flooding, across a wide stretch

of River Street and past the Sterling Hotel on Market Street, may have appeared dire but were not a major concern, Brozena said. "There was never a structural issue with those walls," Brozena said, adding that the water rushing through the walls did not move at a significant velocity.

Lackawanna County Commissioner Corey O'Brien led a team of 10 workers from his county's road and bridge department in a round-the-clock operation to move rocks and dirt into the path of the gushing water, directing it away from a pump station and riverfront businesses.

Workers also stabilized a disturbance in the Brown Creek Pressure culvert in Plymouth, filling holes measuring 15 feet in diameter after the swift currents removed metal coverings, Brozena said.

The high river levels also wreaked havoc on transportation infrastructure.

A massive mound of debris collected against the north side of the partially submerged Eighth Street Bridge near Wyoming, redirecting raging waters toward the already swollen shores. County officials said Friday they feared extensive damage to the Pierce Street Bridge in Wilkes-Barre.

In Wilkes-Barre, Mayor Tom Leighton urged residents to respect the danger of the unprecedented river levels and unpredictable creeks running through the city. Earlier that day, he ordered a mandatory evacuation for about 300 people living in the Brookside section of the city when two swollen creeks sent water cascading over at least two streets.

The city used a motorboat to rescue five people stuck in the neighborhood. PPL Electric Utilities also shut off power to about 65 homes in the area.

"It goes without saying that Wilkes-Barre has experienced long days this week, and we believe it will be a long weekend," Leighton said, adding that evacuees could be allowed home Sunday at the earliest.

Friday afternoon, a contingent of city officials led by Operations Director Butch Frati pointed out minor leaks along the levee and surveyed the water spurting from the Market Street Bridge floodgates.

Though Leighton said it could cost up to \$300,000 to replace a damaged wall along Mill Creek, he could not yet place an exact monetary number on damages in the city.

An elderly woman was found dead in her flooded West Pittston basement Friday, but officials could not confirm whether her death was flood related.

Residents in West Pittston and other areas not protected by the levee system reported flooding levels higher than those during the previous high, in the wake of Tropical Storm Agnes in 1972.

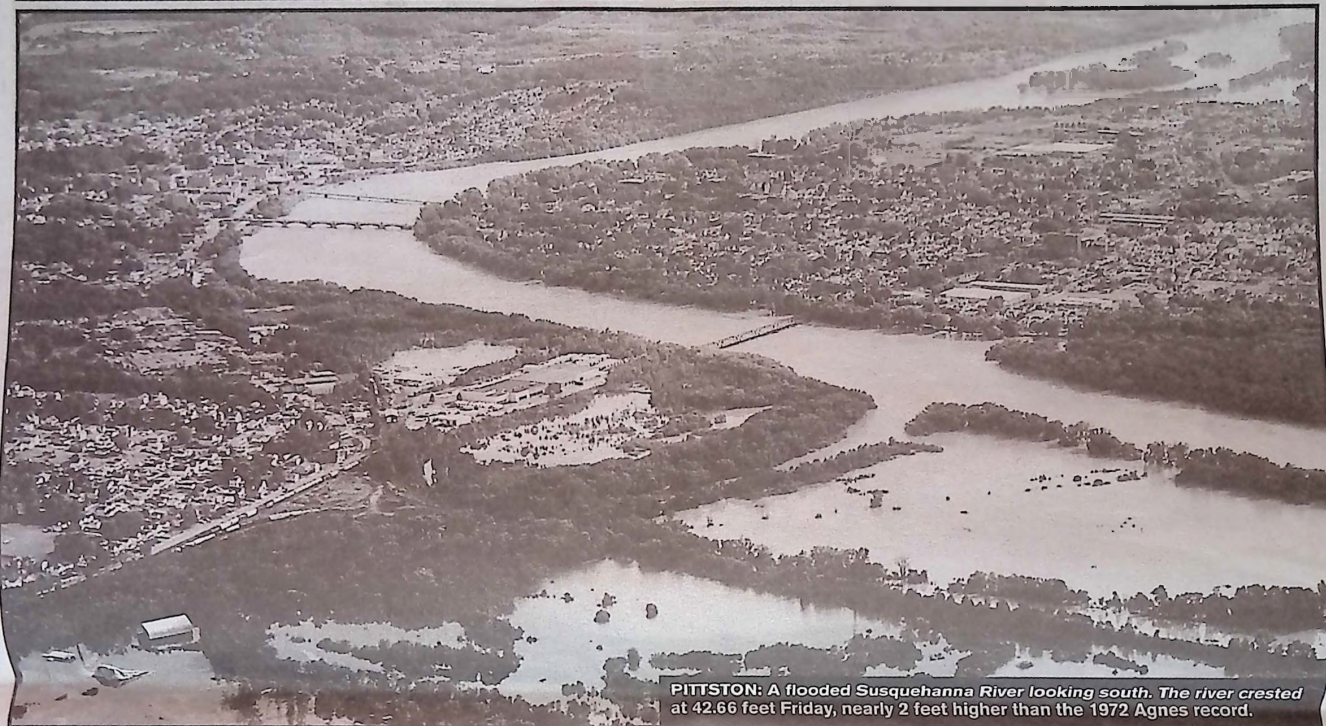
"I don't care what they say the level was," Carolyn White said, "It was higher here in West Pittston than it was then."

BOB KALINOWSKI, ANDREW STAUB and PATRICK SWEET, staff writers, contributed to this report.

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ASSESSMENT // RIVER UNDER PRESSURE



PITSTON: A flooded Susquehanna River looking south. The river crested at 42.66 feet Friday, nearly 2 feet higher than the 1972 Agnes record.

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Levee system withstands test

By Patrick Sweet
Staff Writer

The record-breaking height of the Susquehanna River was the most severe test of the Wyoming Valley levee system to date, and, in several parts of the county, officials scrambled to make sure the system didn't fail that test.

The river eclipsed the 1972 Agnes record of 40.91 feet, cresting at 42.66 feet around 3 a.m. Friday. A faulty gauge, though, caused the National Weather Service to initially report the river peaking at 38.83 feet, causing a false sense of hope at the county's Emergency Management Agency that Luzerne County would escape better than projected.

Jim Brozena, director of the county Flood Protection Authority, said Friday that issues around the county made the initial report appear incorrect.

"We saw some things on the levee," Brozena said, "that were suspect at those (river) levels."

Intense pressure from the massive volume of water, he said, began causing issues along the levee system.

In Forty Fort, the river pushed its way underneath the levee early Thursday night, causing water to seep through to the other side and threatening the integrity of the system. The Army Corps of Engineers with the help of the Pennsylvania National Guard used a fabric cover and tons of sand, gravel and rock to hold the water at bay and try to equalize pressure on both sides of the levee.



WILKES-BARRE: Luzerne County Emergency Management Agency Director Steve Bekenich, left, along with county Flood Protection Authority Director Jim Brozena, said some leaking was expected through the flood gate seals.

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"We had under-seepage problems," Brozena said. "... The reports we have from the field is that we've made good progress on that. We believe we've turned the corner."

Concerns in Forty Fort, though, continued through 6:30 p.m. Friday as state police walked the streets in the area, knocking on doors and urging people remaining in

their homes to obey the evacuation order.

Col. Dave Anderson, commander of the Army Corps of Engineers Baltimore District, and Brozena expressed confidence in the levee system.

"This levee system has been incredibly stressed due to this event," Anderson said. "It performed as designed to provide exactly the protection for which the American people paid for this project and local folks as well."

At the Market Street Bridge in Wilkes-Barre, water continued to leak through flood gate seals on Friday. Brozena and EMA Director Steve Bekenich have both said some leaking is expected because the structure isn't permanent and the water pressure was considerably high.

"Those seals were forced out," Brozena said. "There was never a structural issue."

The Army Corps of Engineers and National Guard troops set up pumps and built makeshift rock and sand barricades to ease flooding in Wilkes-Barre along River Street.

As the day wore on, briefings from officials began to slow down as the projections showed the river beginning to recede. The evacuation order will remain in effect until the river level reaches 28 feet, sometime Saturday night. The river was projected to be at 38.1 feet at 8 p.m. Friday.

"There is nearly 40 feet of water that is sitting in that river right now, and it is dangerous," Brozena said. "Twenty-eight feet is the number where we start to feel very comfortable."

ASSESSMENT // WEST SIDE



EDWARDSVILLE: Flood waters rose past the entrance to Kmart on Friday.

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Mark Plaza inundated

Dozens of onlookers were gathering on the top of the levee Friday afternoon by the Mark Plaza to see several flooded retail buildings, including Kmart and Redner's Warehouse Market.

The river was about 7 feet shy of the top of the levee. Many onlookers were walking dogs and socializing. Police were trying to keep them off the levee.

"We are still in a danger zone," Councilman Gary Mack said, noting flood water pressure on the levee. A flood wall was erected on Route 11 and connected the earthen levees on both sides of the road.

"This has held up pretty well," Mack said.

Other flooded businesses included Long John Silver's, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Dollar General, Payless Shoes and That Bounce Place.

Edwardsville Mayor Bernard "Ace" Dubaskas said borough police helped a Redner's employee get to his car Thursday afternoon as the river began to take over the Mark Plaza parking lot.

In Larksville, the Carey Avenue Bridge remained open Friday, but four businesses on U.S. Route 11 near the bridge were flooded. The river didn't reach the Lark Diner on Route 11. The river flooded Adult World, the Lukoil gas station, Main Beverage Beer and Glen Bottling Co.

- Michael P. Bluff



EDWARDSVILLE: Borough police helped a Redner's Warehouse Market employee get to his car after flood waters intruded.

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Unprecedented danger

Floodwaters rage
as officials admonish
residents to keep out

By Andrew Staub and Tom Brolley
Staff Writers

WILKES-BARRE — As emergency personnel rescued five people from a flooded Brookside neighborhood and officials canvassed the levee along the Susquehanna River for damage Friday, Mayor Tom Leighton reminded residents to respect the danger of the unprecedented water levels.

"This is the largest river crest that we have experienced and one of the most serious natural disasters that we've encountered," Leighton said. "We will work around the clock and exhaust every resource we have to get the city back to work and functioning on a normal basis. It will take time, but we will come back."

While South Wilkes-Barre remained devoid of people and vehicles following a mandatory evacuation ordered Thursday, about 300 residents of a northern section of the city found themselves fleeing Friday morning when two creeks swelled and covered at least two Brookside streets with up to 5 feet of water.

Rescuers used a motor boat to evacuate five people and three dogs from the neighborhood, city fire Chief Jay Delaney said. The city also took PPL Electric Utility workers on the boat to shut off power to about 65 homes, he said.

Leighton urged all residents who had to leave their homes to remain out of the flood zone. The city has found people trying to return to their homes early, and Leighton said those who do risk arrest.

"I can't stress enough that people must evacuate from the flood zone and take our warning seriously," Leighton said. "This is a very dangerous situation for all of us, including our professional service members."

Residents could be allowed home on Sunday, Leighton said. Emergency shelters have been set up in GAR High School, Solomon/Plains Junior High School and Fanover Area High School.

City and state police and the National Guard again planned to patrol the deserted Wilkes-Barre streets overnight after four looters were arrested between Thursday and Friday, Leighton said.

After Leighton addressed the media, Wilkes-Barre Operations Director Butch Frati led a group of city officials along the river Friday afternoon. The contingent surveyed water gurgling from soaked earth near a Riverside Drive pumping station, and assis-



WILKES-BARRE: Water rushes under the flood gates at the Market Street Bridge on Friday morning.

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WILKES-BARRE: Firefighters and a utility worker boat down Weir Lane in the Hollenback section.

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WILKES-BARRE: A view of the river looking south into the bend at Riverside Drive.

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tant city attorney Bill Vinsko ventured to the top of the levee to watch storm water rush from a manhole at a pumping station near Barney Farms.

"Another 'remember when' moment," said Vinsko, who lives in Barney Farms. Workers placed sandbags over a leak in a levee gate near the Black Diamond Bridge on Thursday night, said city spokesman Drew McLaughlin.

Though a steady flow trickled from under the gate Friday, the volume and the velocity of the leak had decreased considerably, city officials said.

By late Friday afternoon, Frati and his group reached the Market Street Bridge, where water continued to spurt from gaps in the flood gate and fill the street by the Hotel

Sterling. While the flooding stretched up and down River Street, Frati said it was a much more welcome scene than the "torrid" water that swamped River Street from Union to Northampton streets Thursday.

While Leighton said he was confident the levee system would hold, a more immediate problem arose when Laurel Run and Mill creeks clogged Brookside streets when overwhelmed flood pumps couldn't sustain the creeks' flow into the swollen river.

A steady hum echoed through the streets as pumps spewed water from several flooded homes on North Pennsylvania Avenue. Soda cans, coffee cups and other debris washed down Weir Street toward a stop sign submerged in up to 5 feet of water.

Kurt Kwak, who owns a home and law

firm at the corner of Weir Street and North Pennsylvania Avenue, pumped water from a fully saturated basement Friday afternoon. He avoided further flooding to the home that has been in his family for 100 years, he said.

"My only concern was my grandparents' antique furniture that I have in the office," he said.

Up the street, two girls donned waders to offer PPL employees water and sandwiches, while Ted Ritsick of Mill Street walked down North Pennsylvania Avenue to survey the water that had collected in backyards.

Ritsick had never seen anything like it. "This is something," he said.

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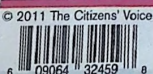
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A Wilkes-Barre police cruiser is parked at the entrance to the Market Street Bridge on Wednesday night.

'POTENTIALLY CATASTROPHIC'

Residents of low-lying areas told to get out as Susquehanna rises

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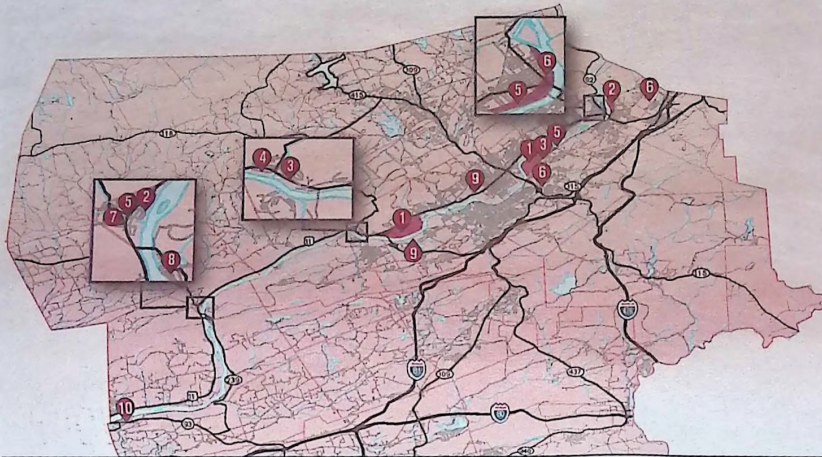
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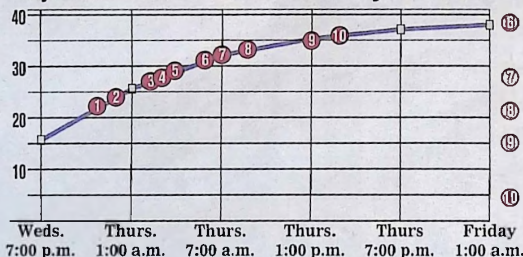
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WHEN THE RIVER RISES:

- 1 22 FEET: Minor flooding begins. Plymouth Flats, Plainsville lowlands affected.
 2 24 FEET: Canal Street in Shickshinny and lowlands in Pittston begin to flood

Projected river levels as of Wednesday afternoon



- 3 27 FEET: Rt. 11, West Nanticoke and River Road, Plainsville begin to flood.
 4 28 FEET: Moderate flooding. Rt. 11, West Nanticoke closed. Canal Street, Nanticoke floods.
 5 29 FEET: Rt. 11, Shickshinny closed. River Road, Port Blanchard and West Pittston begin flooding.
 6 31 FEET: Hollenback Park, Wilkes-Barre; Duryea; West Pittston affected. Brookside Area floods.
 7 32 FEET: Main Street, Shickshinny floods.
 8 33 FEET: Mocanaqua begins to flood.
 9 35 FEET: Dundee Area, Hanover Twp. begins to flood. Rt. 11, Edwardsville floods.
 10 36 FEET: Nescopeck Borough begins to flood.

Susquehanna River expected to crest at 38.5 feet Friday; EMA official warns of potentially catastrophic consequences

By Patrick Sweet and Andrew Staub
Staff Writers

WILKES-BARRE — To prepare for flooding that could rival the devastating 1972 Agnes disaster, Luzerne County officials asked residents living in low-lying areas unprotected by the levee system to evacuate their homes Wednesday or put their own lives and others' at risk.

Remnants of Tropical Storm Lee dumped several inches of rain across Northeastern Pennsylvania and continued through Wednesday night in central New York near Binghamton, bulging the Susquehanna river. Forecasts indicated the rain could push the water level to 38.5 feet, eclipsing major flood levels, by 12 a.m. Friday.

"This is a mandatory evacuation," said Jim Brozna, executive director of the Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority. "You don't want to mess with Mother Nature."

Evacuations could force anywhere from 50,000 to 75,000 residents living along the Susquehanna River from

Exeter Township to Shickshinny to relocate, said Steve Bakanich, coordinator of the Luzerne County Emergency Management Agency. As many as 125,000 people could be displaced should areas protected by the levee system, such as Wilkes-Barre, be evacuated, he said.

Officials asked that unprotected areas evacuate by midnight Wednesday and said they will announce at 6 a.m. Thursday whether evacuations will expand to protected areas. They hoped to give residents as many daylight hours as possible to evacuate.

Flooding could cause "catastrophic damage" to low-lying areas near the river and threaten the lives of residents who refuse to leave, Bakanich said.

"They're potentially putting their own lives at risk, they're putting the lives of emergency responders at risk and people that need to come out and check on them at risk," Bakanich said. "... They need to get out. They need to get out now."

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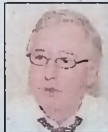
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Cash 5: One player matched all five numbers and won \$125,000.			
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Powerball: 3, 5, 18, 27, 54; Powerball: 13; Power Play: 4; Jackpot: \$108.8M			

On the move

Ciavarella moved to facility in Okla., where he awaits decision on his ultimate destination. Page 10



TODAY'S FORECAST

Humid and warmer today with a couple of showers. Winds east-northeast becoming east 3-6 mph.

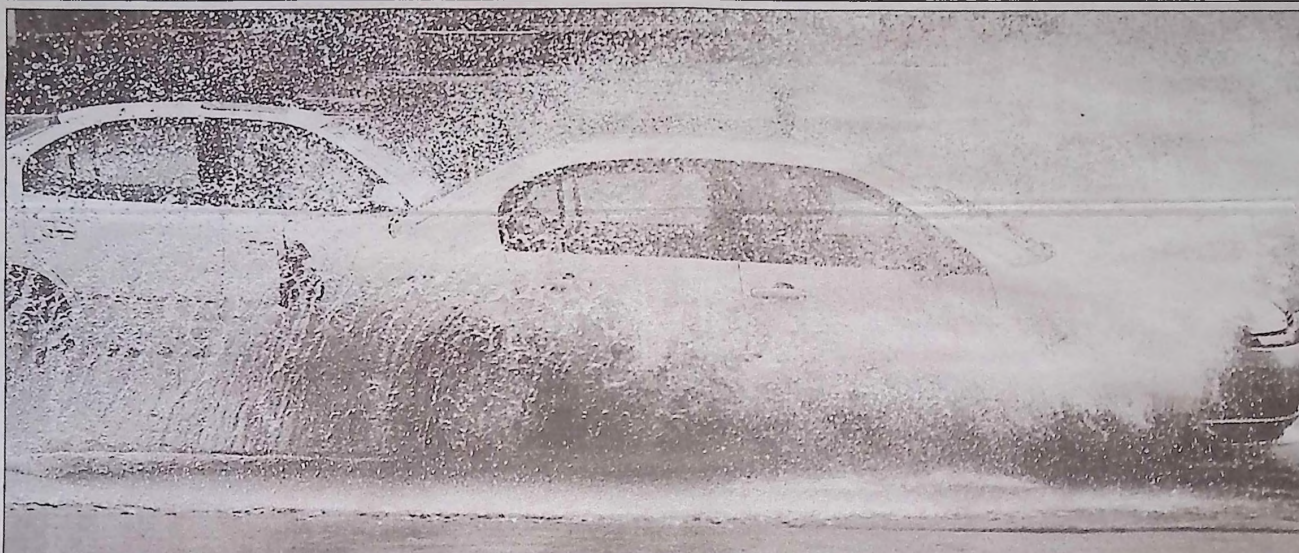
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WILKES-BARRE EXTENDED FORECAST
 Average normal highs/lows for the week: 74/54. Remaining cloudy and humid tomorrow with a thunderstorm. Winds southwest 3-6 mph. A couple of thunderstorms possible Saturday. Winds north 4-8 mph. Thunderstorms possible Sunday.

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FLOOD WATCH // COUNTY ISSUES DIRE WARNINGS



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Vehicles splash their way through standing water on River Street in Wilkes-Barre on Wednesday afternoon.

Warning: Officials hope worst-case scenario can be avoided

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This marks the third wide-scale evacuation in Luzerne County since a previous flooding scare in 1996. In June 2006, roughly 200,000 residents were asked to evacuate amid fear the river would rise to about 40 feet, just one foot from surpassing the levee. It crested at 34.3 feet.

Now, emergency officials hope to again escape the worst-case scenario even as a tremendous amount of rain-water flows south through the 9,960-square-mile drainage system that feeds into the Susquehanna River.

Even as that hope remained, the spectre of Agnes loomed large in the county EMA center as Red Cross volunteers worked the phones, officials from several municipalities scanned maps of projected flooding and a large screen showed radar images of the storm passing over Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Tropical Storm Agnes set the high-water mark on June 24, 1972, when the river crested at 40.9 feet in Wilkes-Barre, about 5 feet over the levee-protection level at the time. In 1972, Agnes caused the Susquehanna River in the Wilkes-Barre area to swell



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Ray Condo, right, and his grandson, David Oley, of Dallas, take a break after clearing out Condo's living room at his Plainsville residence.

from a typical width of 900 feet to about 2 miles.

Original forecasts called for the river to crest at about 31 feet. Those predictions quickly changed, though, setting off frantic evacuation efforts up and down the river and forcing the closure of the Market Street Bridge and portions of U.S. Route 11.

Bekanich expected properties in low-lying areas near the river to sustain major damage, which could include 18 inches or more of water seeping as high as the first

floor of homes, he said. Areas such as Plainsville, Harding, Plymouth Township and Shickshinny are particularly vulnerable, Bekanich said.

"This is going to cause considerable damage in those areas that haven't seen this kind of damage since 1972," he said.

In flood-prone Plymouth Township, the rising water could completely shut down U.S. Route 11, force the evacuation of 80 to 100 homes and send water creeping up state route 29 all the way to Mau-

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reen's ice cream parlor, said Robert Dunn, the township's emergency management coordinator.

Dunn planned to contact township supervisors immediately after Wednesday evening's EMA briefing to prompt a quick evacuation, he said.

"We've got to get them out now," Dunn said. "The sooner, the better."

Shickshinny Mayor Beverly Moore held her hand over her mouth while looking at maps of potential flooding. If

the river crests at 38 feet, her house could be under more than 9 feet of water.

"I'm going to have such a hard time getting (residents) to understand this will be up over Route 11," Moore said. "It encompasses a lot more than what we anticipated."

Moore and Shickshinny Council President Rosalie Whitebread talked logistics on how three-quarters of the town would be evacuated and said they were meeting with the fire department and other officials at 9 that night.

The county requested 25 vehicles and 50 personnel from the National Guard, hoping the troops could patrol levees and evacuation areas, direct traffic and provide security as thousands of people leave their homes behind, Bekanich said. Prisoners from the Luzerne County Correctional Facility were also packing sandbags Wednesday evening, Brzena said.

County officials also asked that all area school districts close today, which will also free up space for evacuation shelters.

GAR High School in the Heights section of the Wilkes-Barre has been used twice in the past two weeks as a shelter for residents forced from

their homes by the rain-swollen Solomon Creek. Schools such as Flood Elementary, Heights Elementary and Dodson Elementary might also be used for shelters, Wilkes-Barre Area Superintendent Jeffrey Namey said.

Other shelters included the Luzerne County Community College cafeteria, the Plymouth Township Municipal Building and State Street Elementary in Larksville.

Wyoming Valley West Superintendent Chuck Suppon said the district's buses will be used to transport nursing home residents to shelters within the district on Thursday. District personnel were also moving important records and equipment out of potential areas that could flood, he said.

Those with questions about the county's storm response and shelters can call an EMA hotline at 1-800-821-3716, Bekanich said.

"People can call in and get info from our staff and know that it's accurate," he said.

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FLOOD WATCH // CREEKS RISING IN WILKES-BARRE



Wilkes-Barre Mayor Tom Leighton confers with a member of his team at the Barney Street flood gates early Wednesday morning.

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Wilkes-Barre residents near Solomon Creek wait to talk to Red Cross officials in the lobby of the GAR High School gym on Wednesday.

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City prepared to evacuate

By Andrew Staub
and Michael R. Sisak
Staff Writer

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Wilkes-Barre officials were preparing Wednesday night to evacuate nearly half the city as the Susquehanna River swelled to near-record levels.

Mayor Tom Leighton, speaking to reporters after meeting with local education and business leaders, said an evacuation of the city's flood-prone neighborhoods was all but certain, but offered no timetable for its implementation.

City officials will monitor river levels and the creeks that criss-cross the city with regular patrols and through the city's security camera system, Leighton said. Residents will have "plenty of time" to leave, if and when an evacuation is ordered, he said.

"I'm asking all of our city residents, our visitors, our business community to take our evacuation notice very seriously," Leighton said.

The American Red Cross, in conjunction with city officials, will establish emergency shelters if an evacuation

Mayor Tom Leighton urged city residents Wednesday to call 911 only in the event of an emergency. Non-emergency calls, he said, should be directed to the Department of Public Works hotline at 570-208-4240 or the mayor's office at 570-208-4152.

is ordered, Leighton said. If city hall is included in an evacuation zone, city officials will move their emergency operations to the Coal Street complex.

An evacuation could affect upwards of 20,000 people, Leighton said.

As of 10 p.m., Wednesday, the National Weather Service was projecting the Susquehanna River would crest around midnight Thursday at 38.5 feet — less than 3 feet below the record flooding that devastated the Wyoming Valley in 1972 in the wake of Tropical Storm Agnes.

The Solomon Creek channel walls, closed early Wednesday morning as the

creek rose rapidly amid heavy rains, will remain closed indefinitely, Leighton said.

Flood walls in the Brookside neighborhood were being constructed Wednesday night and a pump station on Weir Street would remain in operation indefinitely, Leighton said.

City institutions were already taking precautions ahead of the projected river crest. Classes were cancelled in the Wilkes-Barre Area School District and at Holy Redeemer High School. Administrators from two colleges in the city, Wilkes University and King's College, met with Leighton and city officials Wednesday night and were formulating contingency plans.

Any evacuation order would be mandatory and residents not complying could be subject to arrest, on a case-by-case basis, Leighton said.

"I'd much rather see people drive their cars out of a flood plain than go out on a boat," Leighton said.

Neighborhoods rattled early Wednesday morning by the rapidly rising Solomon Creek could be included in

the mandatory evacuation order.

Tom Prywara, forced from his Brook Street home in the wee hours Wednesday morning, sat in a makeshift shelter at GAR High School and listened for updates on his portable police scanner.

"It bites," Prywara said.

Those two words summed up the feeling of about 3,000 South Wilkes-Barre residents forced to evacuate from their homes near the flood-prone creek for the second time in less than two weeks.

Rain from the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee pelted the region Tuesday and through the night, causing Solomon Creek to rise about 7 feet in a matter of five hours, Leighton said as he donned a yellow raincoat to survey the water near Barney Street at about 3 a.m.

The city closed four flood gates over Solomon Creek at about 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, and shortly after, firefighters went door to door informing nearby residents that the city had ordered a mandatory evacuation because of concern the area might flood.

While the city reported no

major damage or incidents other than some flooded roadways near the creek, city spokesman Drew McLaughlin said.

Several residents packed belongings in bookbags and made their way out of the neighborhood, presumably to stay with family or make use of the Red Cross shelter set up at the high school. About 25 people and two dogs were in the high school as of 4 a.m.

"It's for their safety they vacate their properties," Leighton said.

A similar scene played out two Sundays ago, when Hurricane Irene dumped heavy rains on Northeastern Pennsylvania as it churned up the East Coast. That storm cost the city more than \$1 million in damage and protection and response efforts.

Solomon Creek lapped heavily against the Barney Street bridge through the night, its gurgling audible even over the shrill police sirens that echoed through the neighborhood. Several city officials from the police department, fire department and Leighton's administration milled

about the creek.

"Unbelievable," Butch Frati, the city's operations director, said as he scanned the fast-moving water.

Despite the concern, Jason Bevan said he planned to stay in his Regent Street home next to the creek even though his fiancée had already left. Bevan, who missed Irene's wrath because he was in Las Vegas, did not believe the water would reach his first floor.

"It's what you get for living next door to a creek," Bevan said of the chaotic scene. "My fault."

The residents were allowed back to their homes by midday but the stay will likely be short-lived.

"We felt when the creek went down 3 1/2 to 4 feet it was safe for them to go back to the comforts of their home," Leighton said. "We did not want them to stay in the shelter or stay in a relative's house. They are safe going back at that level, but we also said, 'Be prepared, you may have to be evacuated again.'"

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WEEK IN REVIEW

Former county worker receives house arrest

Carl Salitis, the former Luzerne County employee who stole more than \$100,000 from the Recorder of Deeds office, was sentenced last week to 9 to 18 months house arrest, five years probation and ordered to pay back the funds. Salitis, 47, of Throop, will be only allowed to leave his home for work, religious services and doctor's visits, Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas Judge Mark A. Ciavarella said. Salitis will forfeit his county pension, currently valued at \$85,000, unused vacation days and sick time to pay back some of the debt, Luzerne County Assistant District Attorney Jarrett Ferentino said.

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REBUILDING WILKES

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By William C. Kashatus
Correspondent

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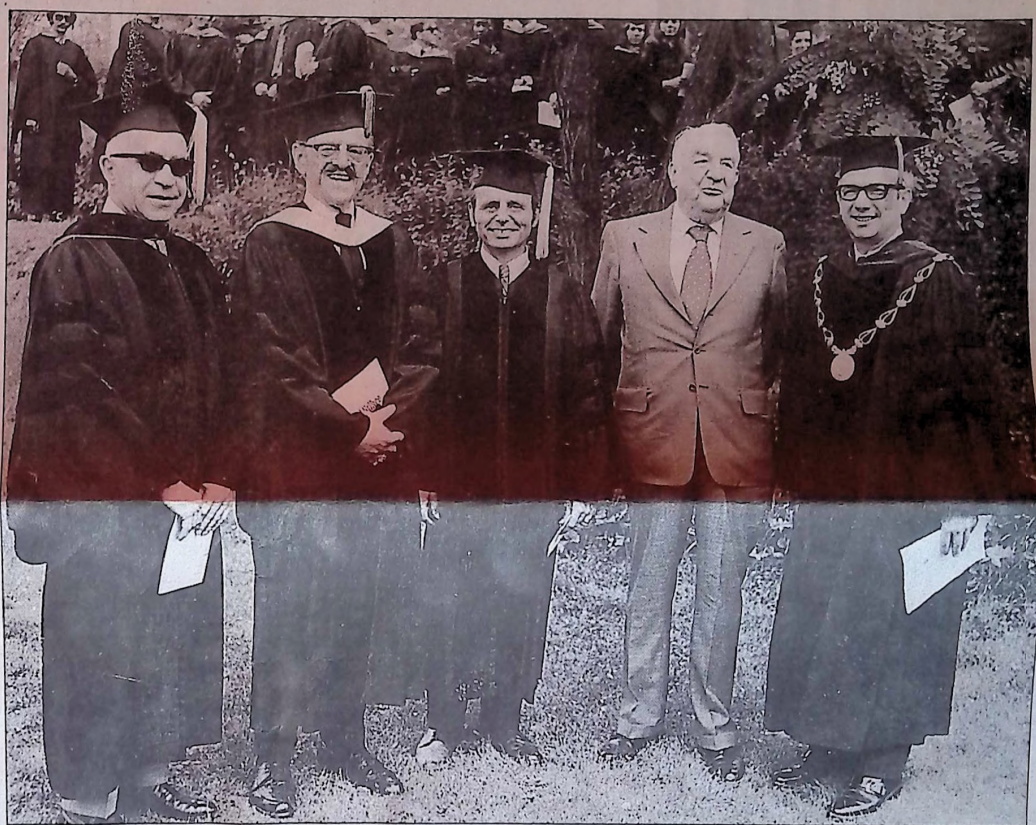
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Luzerne County officials wanted to help local businesses by reducing the number of prison kitchen items put out to bid, and they didn't conspire to help cronies by deliberately circumventing bidding requirements, county Commissioner Greg Skrepenak said last week.

Former County Manager/Chief Clerk Sam Guesto and Deputy Chief Clerk Bill Braae discussed the bidding decision, which was documented in a letter, Skrepenak said.

"It's clear that Sam, along with Bill Braae, had a meeting, and there's a letter to prove it, with these individuals stressing we would like to go with local vendors," Skrepenak said. "But we wanted to follow our policy, and so there's some discrepancy, and it's — he said, she said."

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Then: Family parish
Now: Final Mass

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Not until 1947, however, did Wilkes, named after John Wilkes, an 18th century member of the British Parliament, become an independent, nondenominational four-year college, with programs in the arts, sciences and a number of professional fields.

Michelini, a native of northern New Jersey, came to Wilkes in 1955 as a professor of biology. His credentials were impeccable: Army Air Corps veteran; a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Seton Hall University; a master's



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"We had professors from MIT and University of Chicago who were developing the best curricula for high school science teaching, and corporations like Bell Telephone were also involved in the making of science films to supplement the curricula. It was a concerted national effort to enhance science teaching to insure that the United States would not lag behind the Soviet Union."

"Ironically, some of the very best teachers to come out of our program went on to earn master's degrees and leave secondary education altogether to teach at community colleges. Talk about unintended consequences!"

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Michelini implemented many of the NSF programs at Wilkes from 1963 to 1968 as summer institutes for high school teachers. It was his first taste of administration and he enjoyed it tremendously.

Appointed dean of academic affairs in 1963, Dr. Mike's administrative abilities were cultivated by Dr. Eugene Farley, the founder and first president of Wilkes. Michelini's proactive approach and accessibility to faculty and students complemented Farley's fundraising talents.

In 1970, when Farley retired from the presidency, the trustees of Wilkes selected Michelini to replace him. It was a delicate and demanding role, especially

since Farley, who was revered by colleagues, remained at Wilkes as chancellor.

Unlike the former president, Dr. Mike shared responsibility and authority with the faculty. Under his direction, Wilkes became a more progressive institution, attracting outstanding faculty from across the country and initiating some innovative programs.

One program was a partnership between Wilkes and Hahnemann Medical College in Philadelphia. The Wilkes-Hahnemann program, which began in September 1972, provided students with a streamlined curriculum at the undergraduate and medical school levels in order to obtain a bachelor's and medical degree in six years.

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"We were fortunate to have Dr. Ralph Rozelle on our faculty and he agreed to be responsible for articulating the curriculum with Hahnemann Medical College. We also had tremendous support from the local medical community, especially Dr. David Kistler, who first introduced the idea of such a partnership. So, between the federal money that Hahnemann could secure and the local medical community's support for the concept of family practitioners, we had a program that was cutting edge."

The Wilkes-Hahnemann program lasted for 12 years and produced more than 300 physicians, many of who remained in the Wyoming Valley to practice.

Michelini's greatest success, though, was rebuilding the college after the Agnes Flood of 1972.

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That was then: Many generations of families have made St. Casimir's their home. Treasured memories, such as baptisms, first communions and marriages, live on in the hearts of its parishioners.
This is now: Last week, the parish

community of St. Casimir's Church in Pittston celebrated its final Mass. Approximately 500 people attended the service. The decision was made last year to close the church along with two other Pittston parishes. All three churches will be consolidated

into St. John the Evangelist Church on William Street. Over the past several weeks, members were invited to write their fondest memories of the church. Those memories were placed in a chest and preserved after the closing.



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WILKES: Michelini served as invaluable community leader, helping to secure the \$1.6 B Agnes Recovery Act of 1972

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Not only did he mobilize the campus to lead the striking comeback, but served as an invaluable community leader in helping to secure the \$1.6 billion Agnes Recovery Act of 1972.

The measure also marked the first time that private educational institutions were included in federal disaster legislation. Wilkes received a total of nearly \$11 million in federal disaster relief funding.

"We had a total of 58 buildings on our campus all of which were

affected by the floodwaters, some more severely than others," recalled Michelini. "The total estimate of damages was \$10 million. There was no way that we could have repaired that level of damage with our own limited financial resources, and at that time, private colleges were not envisioned as the federal government's responsibility in any way."

Michelini credits Congressman Dan Flood and the community's Flood Recovery Task Force for securing the federal

relief assistance.

"Dan had three private educational institutions in his congressional district that were in serious need of disaster relief assistance: Wilkes, King's (College) and Wyoming Seminary," he said.

"Flood found an earlier test case involving federal funding that was given to a privately operated hospital to rebuild from an earthquake. He used that test case as the precedent to push for federal relief for the private educational institutions in his district. Assisting him was the local Recovery Task Force, whose members spent countless hours addressing the needs of flood victims and testifying on Capitol Hill. Thank goodness for their efforts because without that \$11 million it's doubtful that Wilkes would have been able to recover."

Another one of the difficulties Michelini faced was how to raise money for Stark Hall, a building project that was already under way when Agnes struck. Working with extremely limited funds, he had to appeal to donors who were already

overextended by other financial commitments.

"Between 1970 to 1975, the economy was far worse than it is today," he recalled. "Price controls prevented the raising of tuitions and faculty salaries. Fundraising for additional buildings was increasingly difficult because corporations were also having problems."

"At the time, Wilkes, like all colleges, did not believe in borrowing money to cover the cost of buildings. These days it's easier. You borrow the money, build the building, and pay it off from the income you earn from the building. But, we couldn't do that. So during the flood recovery, a great deal of my time was spent raising money to complete an already existing building project. It wasn't easy given the state of the economy. But we did it."

When Michelini stepped down as president in 1975, his reputation for leading Wilkes to one of the most striking comebacks of any college in American history earned him an appointment as president of Pennsylvania's Independent Colleges and Universities.

For the next 15 years, he worked with presidents from the Commonwealth's 80 institutions of higher education in addressing fiscal, curricular and administrative challenges.

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Jessica Marie, an 18-year-old capuchin monkey, swings on the baby swing. Lori Johnson bought the baby monkey and has been doting on her ever since.

Pet owners go ape over their primate 'monkids'

By Denise-Marie Balona
The Orlando Sentinel

ORLANDO, Fla. — Lori Johnson was lonely and depressed after her youngest son left home in 1992. She yearned for another child to love. So Johnson bought a baby monkey.

"She was a little, bitty, teeny thing staring up at me," said Johnson, 58, who lives in Deltona with her husband and Jessica Marie, a 5-pound capuchin she calls her daughter. "She was enough to steal anyone's heart, she was."

Like Johnson, there is a growing group of monkey lovers who pay big bucks to diaper and dote on their primates. Some even raise them as surrogate children.

Many self-described "monkey people" don't dare call them pets. They are playfully referred to as "monkids" and reared in a world of pierced ears, mono-

grammed clothes, a seat at the dinner table and their own bedrooms.

At Gemini Springs in DeBary, Fla., recently, Johnson pushed "Jessy" around in a toy-filled red stroller, a sight that drew attention.

"Hey, it's a real monkey," hollered one youngster, who did a double take.

Johnson replied with a grin: "That's not a monkey; that's my kid."

Although illegal as pets in 20 states, the majority of the estimated 15,000 privately owned primates live in homes, said an official with The Humane Society of the United States. The rest belong to small tourist attractions.

In Florida, it's tough to tell exactly how many people have monkeys because the state doesn't keep records on licensed pets in a computerized database in Tallahassee.

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Wilkes skips parade in favor

Alumni suggested community service replace homecoming weekend event, official says.

By MARK GUYDISH
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WILKES-BARRE — The recently reborn Wilkes University homecoming parade has been dropped as a result of the recent flooding, even though no water damaged the campus.

Instead of marching, students and alumni will head out to as-

sist clean-up efforts in Wilkes-Barre and Pittston, or to pack relief supplies at the Commission on Economic Opportunity.

"Some alumni who have been following the flood news suggested we hold community service events throughout homecoming weekend," Alumni Relations Director Bridget Giunta Husted said. "We thought it was a great idea."

The parade, which had faded from the university repertoire in the 1990s before being revived in 2008, is the only event being can-

celed in the three-day homecoming celebration. Husted said the parade has grown steadily with about 50 groups joining in the march along Franklin Street from South Street to Market Street.

"The parade draws people from our student groups, our alumni groups and community groups," Husted said.

Many of those people were either impacted by the flood themselves or have already been helping in recovery efforts, so replacing the parade with service opportunities seemed like a perfect

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of helping flood victims

fit.

Cancelling the parade also made sense after the flood disrupted student class schedules, she added.

The campus sits in the shadow of the levee that held back the Susquehanna River during its record crest earlier this month, and the school was closed when officials ordered a mandatory evacuation. With the two-day break in class schedules, it was harder to coordinate the parade with the students and faculty.

"We felt it would be better to

direct their energies to helping the community and go back to the parade next year," Husted said.

Homecoming weekend attracts about 1,000 alumni, family and friends, Husted said, so the potential for a large turnout in Saturday's relief efforts is big. The school will provide transportation to the various sites, so those who want to participate should contact Husted at 1-800-WILKES-U (945-5378), extension 4134, or via email at bridget.giunta@wilkes.edu.

Volunteers will gather at the Henry Student Center, 84 W South St., Wilkes-Barre, on Saturday at 9:30 a.m. If you want to help but can't make it, you can donate supplies for flood victims at any of more than 20 events planned through the week. The schedule can be found on the school website, www.wilkes.edu.

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When there's nowhere else to go

Midstate flood victims flocked to Red Cross emergency shelters after being forced from their homes. Some come to these shelters for only a short while, to get their bearings and have a home base until they go to a motel or to stay with friends or relatives. Others have nowhere else to go. Said one shelter volunteer, "We're here as long as they need help."

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"I just pray to God that everyone will be OK, that people won't die."

— a 78-year-old Fort Hunter woman

River of destruction

5 escape as section of bridge collapses

By Christopher Lewis and Mike Feeley
Patriot-News

From the crowds laughing and strolling along the Susquehanna River with cameras yesterday, you would have thought it was Amateur Photographer Day. Or that somebody was throwing a parade.

But when a three-span section of the Walnut Street Bridge collapsed on the West Shore side and plunged into the swollen river at 2:30 p.m., the circus atmosphere was jolted.

"It was starting to ripple, like in an 'S' shape," said Tina Manoogian-King, Harrisburg parks and recreation director, who was on the collapsed section minutes before the accident.

"Literally, in the time we turned back to give a radio report and then turned back around, it was gone," she said.

Nobody was injured in the bridge collapse. While witnesses say nobody was on the span at the time of the accident, Cumberland County Emergency Preparedness dispatched several helicopters to scan the river — no one was found.

It could have easily been a different story. Manoogian-King ran onto the bridge minutes before the collapse, yelling to Joe and Pete Magaro and three other people to get off.

Three people turned back. The Magaros kept going, crossing to Harrisburg.

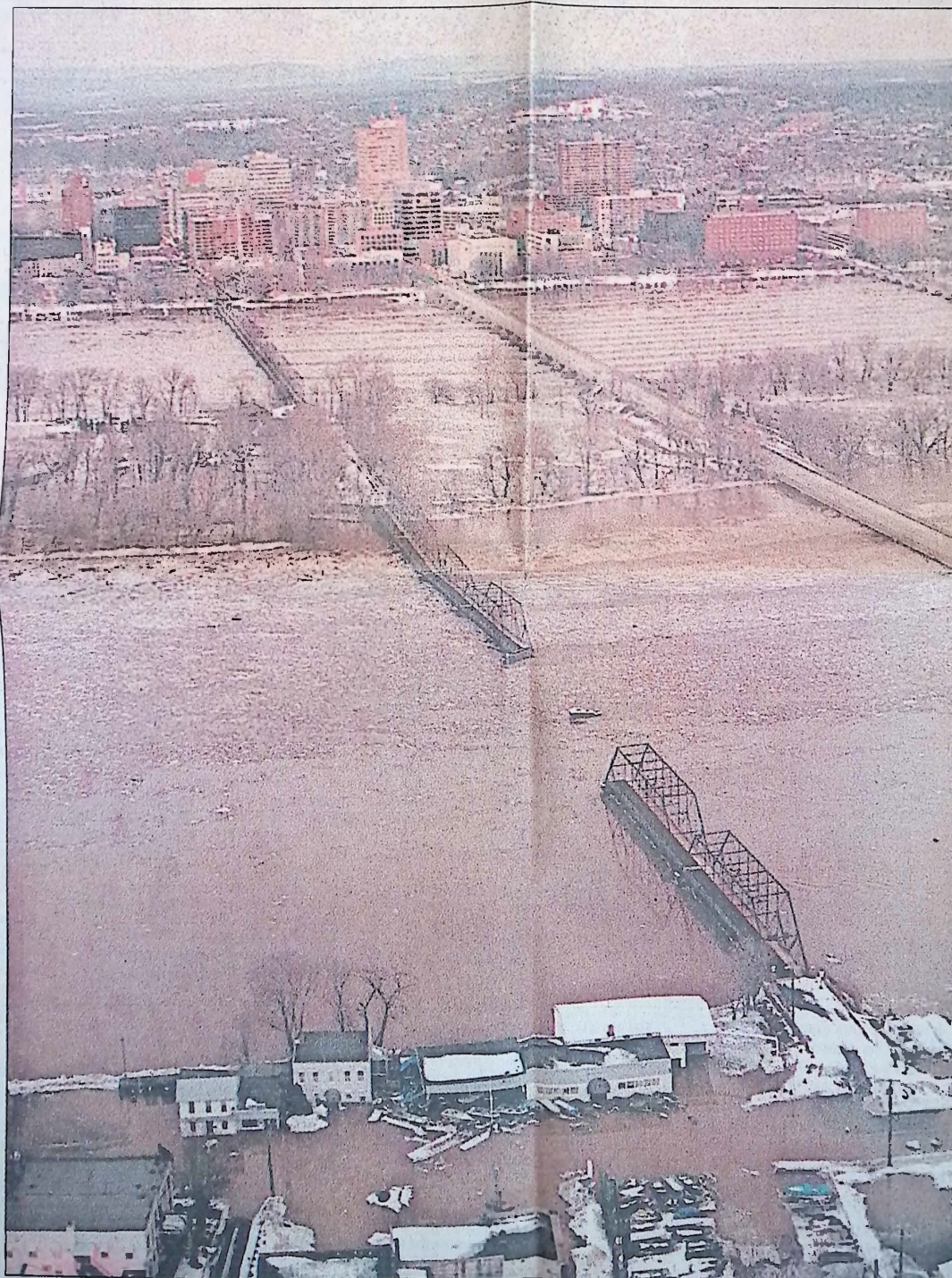
"Five more [minutes] earlier and we would have been had," said Pete, of New Cumberland.

Afterward, on the east side of the river, the Magaros shook hands with Manoogian-King and thanked her. "Hey, you saved our lives," said Joe Magaro, 33, of Shermans Dale.

"It was all in the line of duty," she said.

The bridge defied the odds in withstanding the 1972 Agnes flood, after which it was deemed unsafe for vehicles. The state Historical & Museum Commission campaigned for the bridge's preservation, however. It was converted to a pedestrian walkway.

But yesterday's collapse might



Flooding described as worst since '72

By Teresa Candori and Alison Delsite
Patriot-News

Thousands fled their homes by car, boat and helicopter yesterday to escape the worst flooding in central Pennsylvania since the deadly 1972 Hurricane Agnes.

At least six people died across the state, four of them in the Lycoming Creek north of Williamsport, including an elderly couple who drowned in their car and a woman who was swept away while she and her family clung to a tree. The others were in Juniata and Blair counties, according to Lt. Gov. Mark Schweiker.

No deaths or serious injuries were reported in the midstate.

In the dark hours early yesterday, the icy waters of the Susquehanna River climbed beyond the shores, surrounding homes and businesses in Duncannon, Dauphin and Wormleysburg like a moat around a castle.

Families in Harrisburg, Steelton, Middle Paxton Twp., Highspire, East Pennsboro Twp., West Fairview, Susquehanna Twp., New Cumberland, Middletown and Londonderry Twp. were forced to leave their homes.

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5 escape as section of bridge collapses

By Christopher Lewis and Mike Feeley
Patriot-News

From the crowds laughing and strolling along the Susquehanna River with cameras yesterday, you would have thought it was Amateur Photographer Day. Or that somebody was throwing a parade.

But when a three-span section of the Walnut Street Bridge collapsed on the West Shore side and plunged into the swollen river at 2:30 p.m., the circus atmosphere was jolted.

"It was starting to ripple, like in an 'S' shape," said Tina Manoogian-King, Harrisburg parks and recreation director, who was on the collapsed section minutes before the accident.

"Literally, in the time we turned back to give a radio report and then turned back around, it was gone," she said.

Nobody was injured in the bridge collapse. While witnesses say nobody was on the span at the time of the accident, Cumberland County Emergency Preparedness dispatched several helicopters to scan the river — no one was found.

It could have easily been a different story. Manoogian-King ran onto the bridge minutes before the collapse, yelling to Joe and Pete Magaro and three other people to get off.

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"Five more [minutes] earlier and we would have been had," said Pete, of New Cumberland.

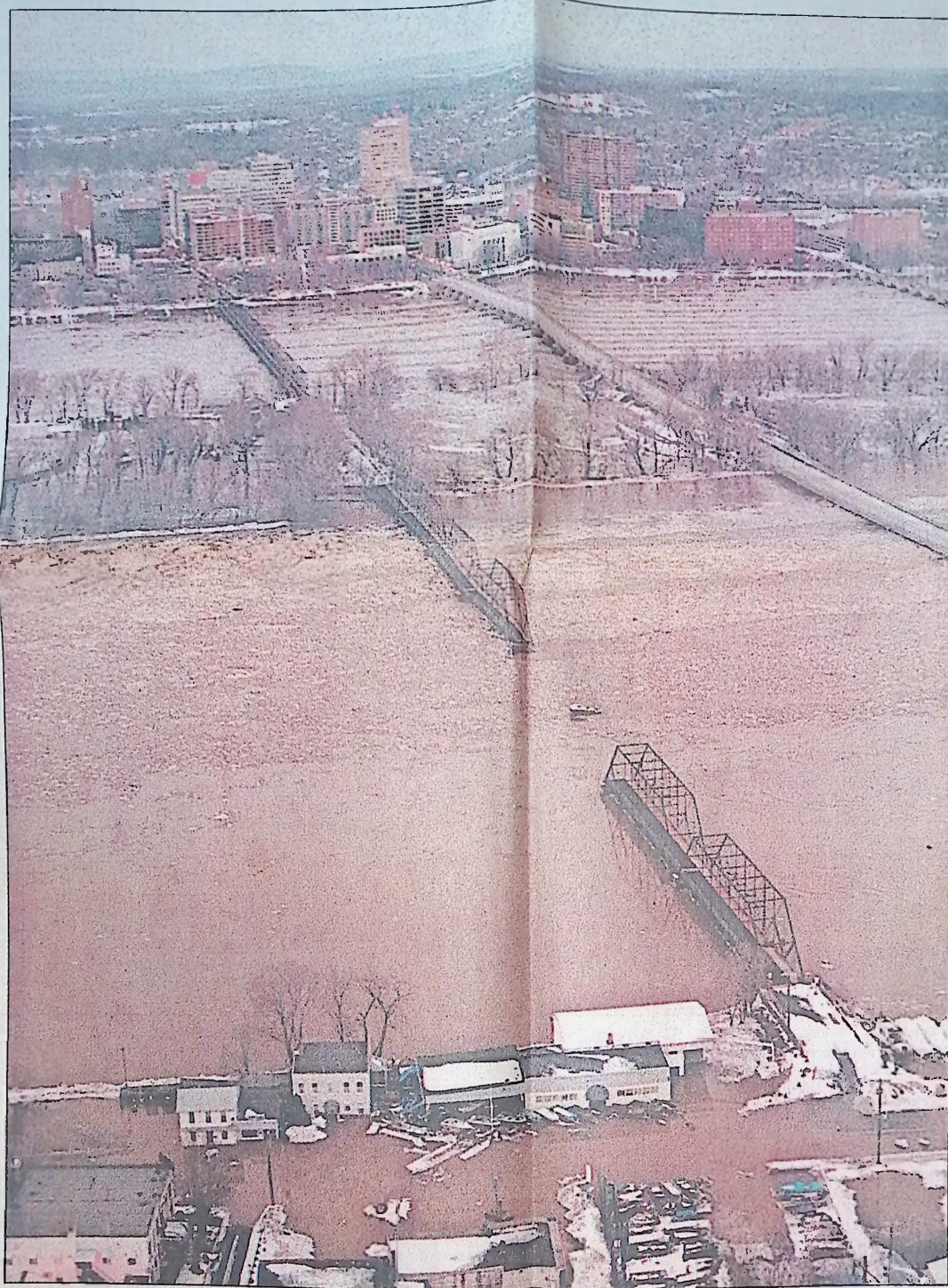
Afterward, on the east side of the river, the Magaros shook hands with Manoogian-King and thanked her. "Hey, you saved our lives," said Joe Magaro, 33, of Shermans Dale.

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The bridge defied the odds in withstanding the 1972 Agnes flood, after which it was deemed unsafe for vehicles. The state Historical & Museum Commission campaigned for the bridge's preservation, however. It was converted to a pedestrian walkway.

But yesterday's collapse might

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Flooding described as worst since '72

By Teresa Candori and Alison Delsite
Patriot-News

Thousands fled their homes by car, boat and helicopter yesterday to escape the worst flooding in central Pennsylvania since the deadly 1972 Hurricane Agnes.

At least six people died across the state, four of them in the Lycoming Creek north of Williamsport, including an elderly couple who drowned in their car and a woman who was swept away while she and her family clung to a tree. The others were in Juniata and Blair counties, according to Lt. Gov. Mark Schweiker.

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Packing up belongings is part of life for riverside dwellers

By Matt Miller
Patriot-News

With 5 feet of cold, muddy water already flooding her garage and the Susquehanna River creeping steadily up Market Street toward her West Fairview home, Joyce Zeiders took it like a veteran.

When you've spent your entire life just 100 yards from the Susquehanna's west bank, you get used to this kind of thing.

But, Zeiders conceded, you never learn to like it.

"I'm getting my stuff out," she said yesterday as she and family members carted valuables and appliances from her home,

which was slowly being surrounded by the rising river. "I've learned that there is nothing you can do about it."

Zeiders' nephew, Paul Myers, said he, too, knows that in this recurrent battle with Mother Nature, Mother Nature always wins.

Yet, he said, "I've had enough of it."

Myers' feelings were echoed throughout the riverside communities of the West and East shores yesterday, where thousands of people hoped and prayed that the river would leave their homes and businesses alone.

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Rivers ravage cities, businesses across state

100,000 flee Susquehanna in Wilkes-Barre

By Peter Durantine
Associated Press

From one end of Pennsylvania to another, flooding created nightmares yesterday.

In Wilkes-Barre, 100,000 people were evacuated in the morning and allowed to return later.

In Pittsburgh, the Super Bowl-bound Steelers football team nearly lost their equipment. And extensive flooding was reported all over the city.

In Bloomsburg, basements and first floors of about 400 hous-

es were flooded when the Susquehanna River exceeded flood stage by about 8 feet.

"I'll tell you what's frustrating, watching the water come and being able to do nothing about it," said Dave Davis of the Emergency Management Agency for Columbia County, where the Susquehanna flooded. "It's like being beaten up."

An estimated 1,000 National Guardsmen ran rescue missions

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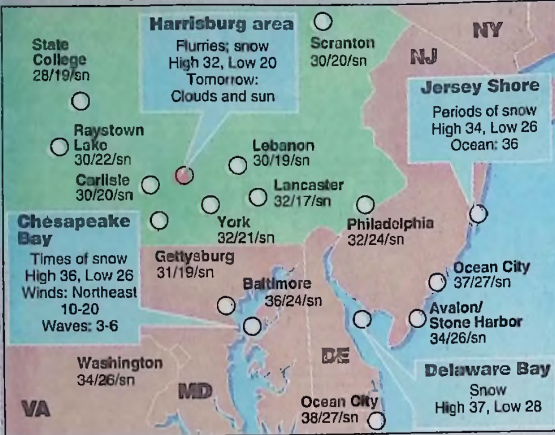
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FIVE-DAY FORECAST

TODAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Flurries; some snow.	Clouds; some sun.	Partly sunny; milder.	Increasing clouds.	Rain turning to snow.
32/20	38/26	45/32	48/38	46/26

REGIONAL FORECAST

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.



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For 24 hours ending at 5 p.m. Saturday

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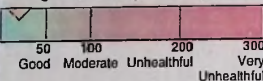
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As of 5 p.m. Sat. at Harrisburg Intl Airport

High Yesterday	27
Record High	68 in 1951
Last Year	49/40
Overnight Low	13
Record Low	-10 in 1994
Mean Yesterday	20
Normal Mean	28
Relative humidity	59 %
Barometric pressure	30.48" Steady

AIR QUALITY

Rating for Today	good
Main pollutant Today	particulates
Rating for Yesterday	(21) good



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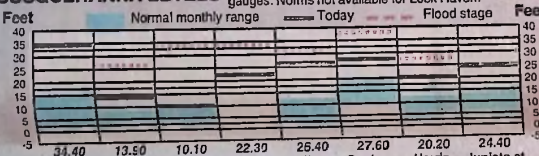
Sunrise Today	6:25 a.m.
Sunset Today	4:12 p.m.
Moonrise	6:53 a.m.
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DEHART RESERVOIR

Inches from spillway:	14
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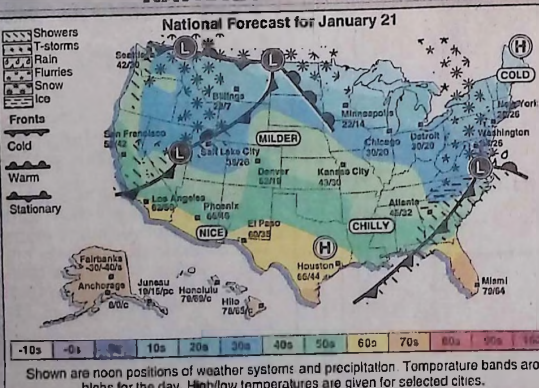
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Today				Today			
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Cleveland	33	23	sf	Nassau	81	70	pc
Dallas	56	42	s	San Juan	82	72	sh
Duluth	16	15	c	San Jose	81	72	sh
Hartford	29	19	c	Mexico City	73	45	pc
Honolulu	37	24	pc	Rio de Janeiro	90	76	pc

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minutes before using for drinking or cooking was issued and water was expected to be brought into the area today.

The United Water plant serves portions of Middle Paxton, Susquehanna, Swatara, Lower Paxton, and Lower Swatara townships, and the boroughs of Dauphin, Steelton, Highspire, Paxtang and Penbrook.

Harrisburg Mayor Stephen R. Reed said he wasn't sure how much damage the city suffered, but it was "well into the tens of millions" of dollars.

Ridge, Reed and commissioners of Dauphin and Cumberland counties met last night to discuss the flooding and to warn residents the actual crest of the Susquehanna was to come this morning.

Reed said he expected clean-up crews to begin working in the city around noon today, and that residents who were evacuated would be allowed back in their homes after the river recedes.

Traffic yesterday was jammed on the interstates and on smaller streets of every river community as people tried to leave their homes or, to the frustration of officials, tried to make their way to the river to gawk at the disaster.

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Water from the Susquehanna River and Fishing Creek was rising. Fast.

"Some people didn't want to go. They said they lived through it in 1972 and they will live through it again," said George Drees, an assistant fire chief.

"But I told them, this is different than in 1972. Then, you could predict how fast the water was rising. This time you can't," he said. "With the ice jams, it can rise as much as 5 feet in one hour before breaking free. It's extremely unpredictable."

Drees pleaded with residents, particularly elderly people, who didn't want to leave their homes.

"I told them, they were in grave danger, and that we couldn't guarantee we'd be able to get back to them later if it gets worse," he said. "If they still refused to leave, I said, 'Please give us your name so we have it for the coroner's office.'"

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All Amtrak service eastward from Harrisburg was canceled because of flooded track.

Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency officials said they were prepared for the flooding, noting that warm temperatures had been forecast nearly a week ago. PEMA officials treated the newest emergency as a natural continuation of the snow emergency declared Jan. 7 by Ridge.

"It's been a little crazy," admitted PEMA spokesman John Comey yesterday afternoon, "but quite frankly the state's emergency management system is working well."

The American Red Cross was operating shelters last night at Londonderry Elementary School, the William Penn Campus of Harrisburg High School, and Dauphin Borough Lions Club. A shelter that had been operating during the day at Central Dauphin East High School was moved to Londonderry.

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In the afternoon, Ridge headed to the Pittsburgh region where 12 municipalities had been declared disaster areas.

Comey said the National Guard had been called out to save people stranded in cars and on rooftops. In Blair County, a man clinging to a tree fell into the Juniata River after a guard's man was unable to save him.

"The National Guard flew some 60 life-saving missions," Comey said.

In Lycoming County, firefighters, Navy Reservists and Army National Guard members searched door-to-door for those who might have decided to ride out the storm, which dumped more than 3 inches of rain on the area through which Route 15 passes.

More than three dozen people were listed as unaccounted for but authorities said it is possible they failed to contact a relative to say where they are staying.

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Staff writers Joseph J. Serwach and Mike Feeley contributed to this story.

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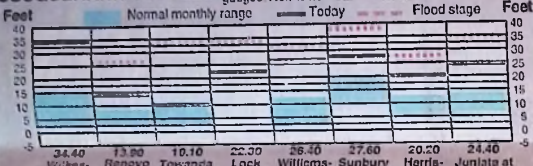
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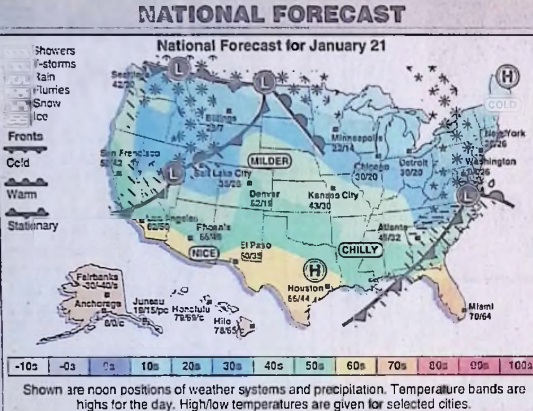
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San Diego	61	50	c	Johannesburg	67	55	t
Santa Fe	48	18	c	Nairobi	72	49	pc
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"They're not used to being in trailers. Scarface! Dizzy!" shouted Denise Mattern, a city police hostler. "Oh my God, they're fighting ... this isn't going to hold up."

Moments later, several co-workers arrived to walk the horses around Front Street and settle things down. That was hard to do with residents streaming about the bridge entrance, totting cameras and camcorders, looking to preserve a piece of history on film.

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Blair, her husband Darryl and son Jared, 15, refused to leave the path of the flood and went to a neighbor's mobile home which was swept away, throwing them into the water, the coroner said.

Staff writers Joseph J. Serwach and Mike Feeley contributed to this story.

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Clark—James W. Clark, Building 14, Apt. B, Hilltop Manor Monday from August 9. Haas Funeral Home, 202-204 Pinuston Ave., with mass at 9:30 a.m. in Church of the Nativity. Interment, St. Catherine's Cemetery, Moscow. Friends may call 2 to 4, 7 to 9 p.m.

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Area Teachers Attend Parley

Seven area teachers attended a public relations workshop held in conjunction with the recent Pennsylvania State Education Association conference in Gettysburg.

They are: Teri G. Dow, Wyandoming area; Denise Dutrar and Mary Eddy, Montrose; Lois Janasov, Wilkes-Barre; Anne Mackey, Dallas; Judy Nixon, Pocomo Mountain; Linda Starke, Lakeland.

Jacque D. Angle, PSEA president-elect, was principal speaker at the conference. Angle urged local school boards to alleviate educational problems and improve individual instruction for students by reducing class size. The William Penn School District (Yeadon) business and distributive education teacher spoke to more than 1,000 teachers attending a PSEA leadership development workshop at Gettysburg College.

Contending the decline in pupil population in many schools in the commonwealth enables administrators to reduce class size without any appreciable increase in the cost of instruction, Angle said the result is that teachers will be able to reinforce teaching the basic 3 Rs.

He also noted that school boards many years have used the excuse that they have too many construction costs and too many students to institute much-needed class reductions. "The school boards can no longer use that excuse as a reason to deprive students of a vital individual attention," Angle said.

He also said the pupil population decline provides the opportunity for school boards to provide more specialized and enrichment programs at all educational levels. The conference held annually for PSEA local association leaders is sponsored by the Pennsylvania State Education Association.

A historic nonchalance for flooding

By Paul B. Beers

BEFORE VINCE CATALANO opened his west-bank eatery in April of 1977, he expressed concern about flooding. "Don't worry," said Frank Sinatra, "I'll put in a good word for you."

Until Saturday, Catalano's had been dry, figuratively, since then. The river had to rise to 21 feet to reach the building and 25 feet to flood the dining room. Bill Nichols, the original designer, put the place high enough so that only a 1939 or 1972 Flood could ruin it.

A decade later, Mayor Stephen R. Reed neglected Sinatra in opening RiverSide Stadium. Hizzoner's palace stayed mostly dry, too, until this weekend, though City Island is a foot or two below Harrisburg's official 17-foot flood stage.

Reed and Catalano are experienced flooders. The mayor can hardly forget losing 12 pounds as a River Rescuer in the 1972 headliner. The two also are intrepid entrepreneurs and, knowing the riverfront is the place to do business, they adhered to most flood protection rules and they think positively.

There is a historic casualness up and down the river about floods, though the Susquehanna Basin is one vast flood plain containing perhaps half the 663 flood-prone communities in the commonwealth.

By one count, Harrisburg has had 50 floods since 1786, a year in which it had two, including the "Great Pumpkin Flood" of Oct. 5. A local historian upstream in Wilkes-Barre tallied 65 floods there, so it is possible that Harrisburg really has had 70 or more floods.

There is no common definition of what constitutes a flood. To a Shipoker or West Fairviewer, a flood is when you need a rowboat to get bread and milk. To many suburbanites, a flood is when the manicured lawn is drenched. Old Timers quip: "A flood is when water is in the cellar of the judge, the bank president and the newspaper editor."

One popular story from the Tropical Storm Agnes Flood had it that when water filled a judge's basement, he rushed everyone into his car, drove off and left the other family car to be inundated.

On the average, the Harrisburg area has a flood every four years. A "major" flood, by William H. Shank's definition, occurs an average of once every 25 years.

Shank is a retired engineer in York and author of "Great Floods in Pennsylvania." He says the Susquehanna Valley is particularly vulnerable because it has a huge drainage area, its streams flow in the same direction as the prevailing storm centers and, as the commonwealth is more than half covered with forests, the tree-filled plateaus usually hold snow until late spring and then suddenly release the water during the first warm spell.

The old canard is the "100-year flood." The 1936 Flood was supposed to be the "100-year flood." When a second came in 1972, Harrisburgers protested that only 36 years had elapsed and it wasn't fair. But the Law of Probability does not cover long-range flood projections. Floods aren't in the realm of science.

Harrisburg has had four St. Patrick's Day floods — 1865, 1875, the big one in 1936 and the 18.6-footer that crested March 16, 1986. That final one soaked City Island the year before the Senators returned.

Part of the explanation for Central Pennsylvanians' imperturbability about floods is that the loss of life has been minimal. Flash floods on such a wide river seldom happen. Quick escape to high ground in the uncongested valleys usually is easy.

More people have drowned in recreational swimming and boating in the Susquehanna than have lost their lives in floods. The diphtheria and typhoid epidemic of 1901 took 40 lives in the Harrisburg area, probably more deaths

than all the floods combined ever caused here.

The 1936 Flood statewide took an estimated 130 lives, 46 of them in Pittsburgh. The 1972 Flood on the Susquehanna took 49 lives. Johnstown, in contrast, has had two devastating floods, the first, in 1888, taking a record 2,209 lives and the second, in 1977, 78.

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