

January-February, 1984 Significant Weather Advisories

January

Monday, January 9, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

6AM EST MON JAN 9 1984

A TRAVELERS ADVISORY IS IN EFFECT THIS MORNING FROM CENTRAL OHIO..THE COLUMBUS AREA..TO THE MIAMI VALLEY..THE DAYTON AREA.

THE ADVISORY IS FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF SNOW MIXED WITH SLEET OR FREEZING RAIN. THAT IS EXPECTED TO CHANGE TO RAIN BY AFTERNOON. SNOW ACCUMULATIONS SHOULD BE VERY LIGHT.

TRAVELERS INTO CENTRAL AND WEST CENTRAL OHIO SHOULD LISTEN FOR WEATHER REPORTS AND UP TO DATE FORECASTS.

A TRAVELERS ADVISORY IS ALSO IN EFFECT FOR NORTHWEST OHIO BUT THATS FOR LATE THIS AFTERNOON THROUGH EARLY TONIGHT. SNOW IS EXPECTED TO DEVELOP AND ACCUMULATE AROUND AN INCH BY EVENING WITH ANOTHER INCH OR TWO EARLY TONIGHT. AFTER THAT SNOW FLURRIES WILL REPLACE THE STEADY SNOW.

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

400 PM EST MON JAN 9 1983

A TRAVELERS ADVISORY IS IN EFFECT TONIGHT FOR ALL OF OHIO BUT THE SOUTHERN PARTS. AN STRONG LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM WILL CROSS ILLINOIS AND INDIANA TONIGHT BRINGING RAIN...FREEZING RAIN...SLEET...AND SNOW TO MOST OF OHIO.

MOTORISTS SHOULD BE CAUTIOUS TONIGHT AS ROADS BECOME SLICK... ESPECIALLY AROUND BRIDGES AND OVERPASSES. SNOW FELL ALL DAY IN NORTHWEST OHIO...AND IT SPREAD ACROSS THE NORTH DURING THE AFTERNOON. BY MORNING MUCH OF NORTHERN OHIO WILL BE COVERED BY ONE TO FOUR INCHES OF SNOW.

A WARM FRONT EXTENDING FROM THE LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM ALONG THE OHIO RIVER WILL PRODUCE A LITTLE FREEZING RAIN AND SLEET IN OHIO THIS EVENING. THE COMBINATION OF FREEZING RAIN AND SNOW MAY PUT A DANGEROUS GLAZE ON ROAD SURFACES...AND DRIVERS SHOULD BEWARE TONIGHT.

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

1145PM EST MON JAN 9 1984

...TRAVELERS ADVISORIES CONTINUE IN EFFECT FOR THE NORTHERN TWO THIRDS OF THE STATE TONIGHT...

SNOW WITH PERIODS OF FREEZING RAIN AND SLEET FELL ACROSS MOST OF THE NORTHERN HALF OF THE STATE WITH ACCUMULATIONS OF FROM 2 TO 5 INCHES. MANY ROADS WERE SNOW COVERED AND HAZARDOUS ACROSS NORTHERN OHIO AND MOTORISTS SHOULD USE EXTRA CAUTION IF TRAVELING THROUGH THE ADVISORY AREAS TONIGHT.

RAIN WAS FALLING IN CENTRAL OHIO BUT WILL CHANGE TO SNOW AND POSSIBLY SPOTTY AREAS OF FREEZING RAIN OR SLEET LATER TONIGHT AS THE STORM MOVES EAST AND COLDER AIR FOLLOWS.

Tuesday, January 10, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

215AM EST TUE JAN 10 1984

AT 2AM EST RAIN AT PORT COLUMBUS CHANGED TO FREEZING RAIN AND SLEET AS THE TEMPERATURE DROPPED TO FREEZING. THE FREEZING RAIN AND SLEET SHOULD CHANGE TO SNOW AROUND 3AM. THE TEMPERATURE WILL CONTINUE TO DROP INTO THE MID 20S MAKING UNTREATED STREETS AND HIGHWAYS VERY SLIPPERY. MOTORISTS IN THE CENTRAL OHIO AREA SHOULD USE EXTREME CAUTION DURING THE NEXT SEVERAL HOURS.

Monday, January 16, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

445 AM EST MON JAN 16 1984

...EARLY MORNING SNOW...

LIGHT SNOW DEVELOPED OVER CENTRAL OHIO AROUND 2AM THIS MORNING.. AND LIGHT SNOW CONTINUES TO FALL IN COLUMBUS. SNOWFALL THUS FAR HAS BEEN LESS THAN AN INCH..HOWEVER ROADS AND STREETS HAVE BECOME SNOW COVERED.

Friday, January 20, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

730 AM EST FRI JAN 20 1984

...BITTERLY COLD TEMPERATURES TODAY AND TONIGHT..AND RECORD SETTING LOW TEMPERATURES TONIGHT...

TODAYS HIGH TEMPERATURES WILL RANGE ONLY FROM 5 TO 10 ABOVE ZERO.. AND WITH BRISK WESTERLY WINDS FROM 15 TO 25 MPH..ESPECIALLY ACROSS NORTHERN OHIO. THIS WILL CAUSE A WIND CHILL FACTOR OF 25 TO 35 BELOW ZERO. FROSTBITE IS A REAL POSSIBILITY TODAY IF EXPOSED TO THE BRISK WINDS FOR A PROLONGED PERIOD.

TONIGHTS RECORD LOW TEMPERATURES WILL RANGE FROM 15 TO 20 BELOW ZERO EARLY SATURDAY MORNING..MAINLY IN NORTH AND WESTERN OHIO. THE SOUTHEAST PART WILL RANGE FROM 10 TO 15 BELOW ZERO.

Saturday, January 21, 1984

RECORD EVENT REPORT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

802 AM EST SAT JAN 21 1984

...NEW RECORD OF MINUS 16 FOR THIS DATE...

AT 725AM THIS MORNING...THE TEMPERATURE REGISTERED MINUS 16 AT PORT COLUMBUS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT...SETTING A NEW RECORD LOW FOR THIS DATE. THE PREVIOUS RECORD WAS MINUS 6 SET IN 1981.

ADDITIONALLY, A NEW RECORD LOW HIGH WAS SET YESTERDAY AT PORT COLUMBUS. THE HIGH OF 7 DEGREES EXCEEDED THE OLD RECORD OF 12 DEGREES SET IN 1970.

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

11AM EST SAT JAN 21 1984

IT WAS AN EXCEPTIONALLY COLD NIGHT IN THE BUCKEYE STATE...

A FRIGID AIR MASS SETTling OVER THE OHIO VALLEY BROUGHT RECORD BREAKING TEMPERATURES TO ALL SECTIONS OF THE STATE. EVERY WEATHER SERVICE STATION ESTABLISHED NEW RECORD LOW TEMPERATURES FOR THIS DATE. TOLEDO WENT ON STEP FURTHER IN RECORDING THE LOWEST TEMPERATURE EVER OBSERVED WHEN THE MERCURY HIT THE 20 BELOW ZERO MARK AT 730AM THIS MORNING. THE PREVIOUS LOWEST TEMPERATUER EVER OBSERVED AT TOLEDO WAS MINUS 17 ON JANUARY 16 1982.

ALTHOUGH NOT AN ALL TIME RECORD.. CINCINNATI REPORTED THE LOWEST OFFICIAL TEMPERATURE IN THE STATE WITH A READING OF 21 BELOW.

OTHER RECORD LOW TEMPERATURES FOR THIS DATE...

DAYTON..... -20 CLEVELAND.. -17 CLOUMBUS... -16 FINDLAY..... -17

AKRON CANTON.. -19 YOUNGSTOWN.. -16 MANSFIELD.. -15 ZANESVILLE.. -16

UNOFFICAL LOW TEMPERATUES IN OHIO WERE REPORTED AS LOW AS 26 BELOW.

HIGH PRESSURE OVER THE OHIO AREA WILL CONTINUE VERY COLD CONDITIONS UNTIL SOME MODERATION BEGINS SUNDAY..

TEMPERATURES WILL HAVE A DIFFICULT TIME REACHING THE ZERO MARK THIS AFTERNOON.. AND BELOW ZERO READING WILL BE COMMON IN THE STATE AGAIN TONIGHT.

Sunday, January 22, 1984

RECORD EVENT REPORT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

153 AM EST SUN JAN 22 1984

A NEW RECORD LOW HIGH TEMPERATURE WAS SET AT PORT COLUMBUS AIRPORT YESTERDAY. THE HIGH OF 0 DEGREES BROKE THE PREVIOUS RECORD OF 4 DEGREES SET IN 1924.

Monday, January 23, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

705PM EST MON JAN 23 1984

...SOME ICY SPOTS DEVELOPING IN CENTRAL OHIO...

THE TEMPERATURE AT THE PORT COLUMBUS AIRPORT AT 7PM WAS 35 DEGREES.. AND RAIN WAS FALLING. THIS RAIN WAS HITTING SURFACES AS LIQUID.. HOWEVER..DUE TO THE COLD GROUND SOME ICY SPOTS ARE POSSIBLE. SURFACES MOST LIKELY AFFECTED WILL BE SIDEWALKS..OVERPASSES.. AND SECONDARY ROADS THAT DO NOT CARRY MUCH TRAFFIC. CAUTION IS SUGGESTED.

Sunday, January 29, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

830PM EST SUN JAN 29 1984

...A WINTER STORM WATCH IS IN EFFECT FOR THE SOUTHERN HALF AND WEST CENTRAL PART OF OHIO FOR MONDAY...

A LOW PRESSURE SYSTEM OVER CENTRAL IOWA AT 8PM EST WILL MOVE TO SOUTHERN INDIANA BY DAYBREAK AND THEN EAST TO NORTHERN WEST VIRGINIA BY MONDAY EVENING.

SNOW WILL SPREAD INTO OHIO AGAIN BEFORE MORNING AND MAY BE HEAVY AT TIMES IN THE WATCH AREA MONDAY. IN THE SOUTHWEST CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST SNOW MAY BECOME MIXED WITH FREEZING RAIN OR SLEET MONDAY.

FARTHER NORTH SNOW IS EXPECTED TO BE SOMEWHAT LIGHTER ALTHOUGH SOME ACCUMULATION IS LIKELY IN THE NORTHERN COUNTIES AS WELL.

Monday, January 30, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT AND EARLY MORNING OHIO WEATHER STORY
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

6AM EST MON JAN 30 1984

...A WINTER STORM WARNING IS IN EFFECT FOR THE CENTRAL THIRD OF OHIO WHILE TRAVELERS ADVISORIES ARE IN EFFECT FOR THE SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN THIRDS FOR TODAY. ALSO THERE IS A TRAVELERS ADVISORY FOR TONIGHT FOR MOST OF THE EAST HALF OF THE STATE.

SNOW NOW FALLING OVER ALL OF THE STATE WILL ACCUMULATE FROM 1 TO 2 INCHES IN THE EXTREME NORTHERN AND EXTREM SOUTHERN PARTS TO UP TO 6 INCHES IN THE CENTRAL COUNTIES. RAIN AND FREEZING RAIN WILL MIX IN WITH THE SNOW OVER THE EXTREME SOUTHERN SECTIONS THIS MORNING. NEW SNOW AMOUNTS OF 2 INCHES HAVE ALREADY BEEN REPORTED FROM DAYTON AND COLUMBUS. SNOW PILED UP TO FIVE INCHES IN PARTS OF WEST CENTRAL INDIANA OVERNIGHT.

A DEVELOPING LOW PRESSURE DISTURBANCE LOCATED THIS MORNING NEAR THE SOUTH CENTRAL BORDERS OF ILLINOIS AND INDIANA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SNOW IN THE BUCKEYE STATE THIS MORNING. THE WEATHER DISTURBANCE WILL TRACK EAST ACROSS THE SOUTHERN THIRD OF OHIO AND REACH EXTREME SOUTHCENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA THIS EVENING..KEEPING SNOW IN THE STATE THROUGH THE DAY..

AS THE LOW PRESSUER SYSTEM MOVES FARTHER TO THE EAST..THE SNOW WILL BE CHANGING OVER TO FLURRIES IN THE WESTERN COUNTIES BY AFTERNOON OR EVENING AND IN THE EAST BY DARK. COLD AIR WILL POUR ACROSS OHIO TONIGHT WITH BRISK TO STRONG NORTHWEST WINDS. THE WIND WILL CAUSE BLOWING AND DRIFTING OF THE THE SNOW. ONLY LINGERING FLURRIES ARE EXPECETD IN THE EAST TUESDAY AS SKIES CKEAR SOME AND WINDS DIMINISH.

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

930AM EST MON JAN 30 1984

A WINTER STORM WARNING CONTINUES IN EFFECT FOR THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS AND NORTHEAST INLAND SECTIONS OF OHIO FOR TODAY. THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HAS CHANGED THE WARNING TO A TRAVELERS ADVISORY FOR THE REST OF CENTRAL OHIO AND FOR THE MIAMI VALLEY. A TRAVELERS ADVISORY ALSO CONTINUES IN EFFECT FOR THE REST OF THE STATE.

FROM 4 TO 6 INCHES OF SNOW FELL OVER MUCH OF NORTHWESTERN AND WEST CENTRAL OHIO LAST NIGHT AND EARLY THIS MORNING AND FROM 1 TO 4 INCHES OVER MOST OF THE REST OF CENTRAL AND NORTHERN OHIO. IN SOUTHERN OHIO

SNOW CHANGED OVER TO A BRIEF PERIOD OF FREEZING RAIN BEFORE ENDING.
AN ADDITIONAL 2 TO 4 INCHES IS LIKELY BY THIS EVENING IN THE WARNING
AREA AND FROM 1 TO 3 INCHES IN MOST OTHER SECTIONS OF THE STATE.
A VIGOROUS LOW PRESSURE CENTER ENTERING WEST CENTRAL OHIO WILL MOVE
EAST
ACROSS THE STATE INTO WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA BY THIS EVENING.
SNOW WILL TAPER OFF AS THE LOW MOVES OUT OF OHIO BUT WINDS WILL
SHIFT INTO THE NORTH AND NORTHWEST AND BLOWING AND DRIFTING OF
SNOW MAY BECOME A PROBLEM LATER TODAY AND TONIGHT

February

Saturday, February 4, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

8AM EST SAT FEB 4 1984

...BRIEF MODERATE SNOW IN CENTRAL OHIO...

AT 750AM EST WEATHER SERVICE RADAR IN COLUMBUS SHOWED AN AREA OF
PRECIPITATION MOVING ACROSS CENTRAL OHIO... SOME REPORTS FROM THE
COLUMBUS AREA INDICATE THAT MODERATE SNOW WAS FALLING. THIS IS AN
ISOLATED CONDITION..AND SHOULD NOT LAST FOR MORE THAN AN HOUR...WHICH
WOULD BE ENOUGH TIME FOR AT LEAST THE GROUND TO BECOME SNOW COVERED.
WITH TEMPERATURES JUST ABOVE THE FREEZING MARK..SOME SLIPPERY
CONDITIONS COULD DEVELOPE...AND CAUTION IS ADVISED IF THIS SNOW SITUATION
MOVES THROUGH YOUR AREA.

Sunday, February 12, 1984

RECORD EVENT REPORT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

350PM EST SUN FEB 12 1984

...NEW RECORD HIGH FOR FEBRUARY 12...

AT 245PM EST THE TEMPERATURE AT PORT COLUMBUS REACHED 69 DEGREES. THE
OLD RECORD OF 62 WAS GOOD FOR 100 YEARS...SINCE 1884.

Tuesday, February 14, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

510AM EST TUE FEB 14 1984

...DENSE FOG IN CENTRAL OHIO...

PATCHY DENSE FOG WAS BEING REPORTED AT SEVERAL LOCATIONS IN CENTRAL OHIO
THIS MORNING..WITH THE VISIBILITY BEING NEAR ZERO AT TIMES. MOTORISTS ARE
URGED TO DRIVE WITH CAUTION..AND ALLOW SOME EXTRA DRIVING TIME THIS
MORNING.

Sunday, February 26, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT AND AFTERNOON OHIO WEATHER STORY

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

5 PM EST SUN FEB 26 1984

A WINTER STORM WATCH IS IN EFFECT FOR ALL BUT EXTREME SOUTHERN

OHIO FOR MONDAY.

A DEVELOPING LOW PRESSURE CENTER WAS OVER NORTH TEXAS THIS AFTERNOON. RAIN AND SNOW WERE AHEAD AND NORTH OF THE LOW. HIGH PRESSURE WAS OVER MINNESOTA AND EXTENDED SOUTHEAST ACROSS OHIO TO THE CAROLINAS.

SKIES WERE MOSTLY SUNNY ACROSS THE STATE THIS AFTERNOON.

TEMPERATURES WERE IN THE 30S AND 40S. THE 4 PM EXTREMES WERE 47 DEGREES AT CHESAPEAKE AND 30 DEGREES AT BOTH CLEVELAND AND FINDLAY.

THE LOW WILL MOVE NORTHEAST TO ARKANSAS BY MONDAY MORNING..TO WESTERN KENTUCKY BY MONDAY EVENING AND TO SOUTHWEST OHIO TUESDAY MORNING. SNOW WILL BE DEVELOPING MONDAY IN THE WEST AND SPREADING TO THE EASTERN PART OF THE STATE BY AFTERNOON.

Monday, February 27, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

450 AM EST MON FEB 27 1984

A MAJOR WINTER STORM IS SHAPING UP TO BRING SOME OF WINTERS NASTIEST WEATHER TO OHIO OVER THE NEXT DAY OR SO.

WINTER STORM WARNINGS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR TODAY AND TONIGHT FOR MUCH OF WESTERN AND CENTRAL OHIO. A WINTER STORM WATCH CONTINUES FOR THIS AFTERNOON AND TONIGHT IN THE NORTHEAST. A TRAVELERS ADVISORY IS IN EFFECT FOR THE SOUTHWEST SECTIONS OF THE STATE WHERE SNOW IS EXPECTED TO CHANGE TO RAIN THIS AFTERNOON AND IN THE EXTREME SOUTHEAST MOSTLY RAIN WILL OCCUR.

SNOW WILL SPREAD NORTHEAST OVER THE STATE TODAY WITH ACCUMULATIONS OF 1 TO 4 INCHES BY EVENING. STRONG NORTHEAST WINDS WILL CAUSE SOME BLOWING AND DRIFTING OF SNOW. THE SNOW AND WIND WILL CONTINUE TONIGHT WITH ADDITIONAL ACCUMULATIONS. IN THE CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN SECTIONS RAIN OR SLEET WILL CHANGE BACK TO SNOW.

A STRONG LOW PRESSURE CENTER IN SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS THIS MORNING WILL MOVE TO WESTERN TENNESSEE THIS EVENING AND TO EASTERN KENTUCKY WEDNESDAY MORNING. THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS STORM WILL DEPEND ON THE EXACT PATH TAKEN BY THIS LOW AND MORE RAPID MOVEMENT COULD RESULT IN HEAVIER AMOUNTS OF SNOW.

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

2PM EST MON FEB 27 1984

WEATHER CONDITIONS CONTINUED TO WORSEN EARLY THIS AFTERNOON AS A DANGEROUS WINTER STORM MOVED TOWARD OHIO SNOW WAS FALLING OVER MOST OF OHIO..BUT THE HEAVIEST WAS ALONG AND NORTHWEST OF A LINE FROM DAYTON TO CLEVELAND. NEW SNOW AMOUNTS OF ONE TO TWO INCHES HAVE ALREADY BEEN REPORTED IN THIS AREA AND HEAVY SNOW WAS STILL FALLING. VISIBILITY THROUGH MUCH OF THIS AREA WAS WELL BELOW A MILE.

WINTER STORM WARNINGS ARE IN EFFECT FOR MOST OF NORTHERN..WEST CENTRAL.. AND CENTRAL OHIO FOR THIS AFTERNOON AND TONIGHT. TOTAL SNOW AMOUNTS OF

FROM 5 TO 10 INCHES ARE EXPECTED IN THIS AREA BY TUESDAY MORNING. TRAVELERS ADVISORIES ARE IN EFFECT FOR MOST OF SOUTHERN AND SOUTHEAST OHIO..WHERE AMOUNTS OF 2 TO 4 INCHES ARE FORECAST. THE SNOW MAY AT TIMES BE MIXED WITH FREEZING RAIN OR SLEET THROUGH THESE AREAS AND THE SNOW MAY EVEN CHANGE TO RAIN LATER THIS AFTERNOON. IT WILL CHANGE BACK TO SNOW TONIGHT HOWEVER AS COLDER AIR ARRIVES IN THE STATE. STRONG EAST TO NORTHEAST WINDS WILL ADD TO THE PROBLEMS FOR MOTORISTS AND FOR ROAD CREWS TRYING TO CLEAR THE ROADS. BLOWING AND DRIFTING OF THE NEWLY FALLEN SNOW MAY MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO KEEP SOME ROADS OPEN.

THE CENTER OF THIS INTENSE WINTER STORM WAS IN TENNESSEE EARLY THIS AFTERNOON. IT WILL MOVE NORTHEAST..PASSING EAST OF OHIO EARLY TUESDAY. STORNG NORTHERLY WINDS BEHIND THE CENTER OF7 LOW PRESSURE WILL CONTINUE ON TUESDAY..PROLONGING THE PROBLEMS FOR AT LEAST EASTERN OHIO. CONSIDERABLE BLOWING AND DRIFTING WILL CONTINUE..AND LAKE EFFECT SNOW MAY ADD TO ACCUMULATIONS IN SOME EASTERN SECTIONS OF THE STATE.

Tuesday, February 28, 1984

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

1115AM EST TUE FEB 28 1984

NEAR BLIZZARD CONDITIONS WILL OCCUR IN MANY AREAS OF OHIO TODAY AND TRAVEL IN ALL AREAS WILL BE HAZARDOUS.

AT MID MORNING MODERATE TO HEAVY SNOW WAS FALLING IN MOST AREAS OF THE STATE. THAT COMBINED WITH NORTHEAST WINDS OF 20 TO 40 MPH WAS CAUSING CONSIDERABLE BLOWING AND DRIFTING AND DROPPING VISIBILITIES TO NEAR ZERO AT TIMES.

THE HARDEST HIT AREA SO FAR HAS BEEN IN NORTHERN OHIO FROM BOWLING GREEN AND FINDLAY..EAST TO HURON. AROUND A FOOT OF SNOW HAS FALLEN IN THAT AREA AND DRIFTS UP TO SIX FEET HAVE BEEN REPORTED. VIRTUALLY ALL ROADS IN OTTAWA..SANDUSKY..ERIE AND HURON COUNTIES WERE CLOSED DUE TO THE HEAVY SNOW.

IN SOUTHERN OHIO THE RAIN HAS CHANGED TO SNOW IN ALL AREAS. THE SNOW FROM COLUMBUS SOUTH WAS FALLING AT A RATE OF 1 TO 2 INCHES PER HOUR.

AS OF 10AM THE SNOW DEPTH IN COLUMBUS HAS RISEN TO 6 INCHES.

THE SNOW AND WIND WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE DAY AND LAST INTO TONIGHT ..ESPECIALLY IN EASTERN OHIO. THREE TO FIVE INCHES OF NEW SNOW WILL FALL ON OHIO BY TONIGHT. WITH THE SNOW AND WIND..TRAVEL CONDITIONS WILL PROBABLY WORSEN AS THE DAY WEARS ON.

THE CAUSE OF THIS BAD WEATHER IS A STRONG WINTER STORM THAT WAS CENTERED OVER WEST VIRGINIA THIS MORNING. THIS STORM WILL MOVE ONLY SLOWLY NORTHEAST TODAY AS A NEW STORM CENTER DEVELOPS ALONG THE EAST COAST. UNTIL THE STORM MOVES WELL EAST OF OHIO THE SNOW AND WIND WILL CONTINUE.

SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT AND OHIO WEATHER STORY

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE CLEVELAND OH

5PM EST TUE FEB 28 1984

AT 4 OCLOCK HEAVY SNOW CONTINUED TO FALL IN MUCH OF OHIO.

SNOW WAS FALLING AT THE RATE OF AN INCH AN HOUR AT YOUNGSTOWN..
AKRON AND CINCINNATI.

TRAVEL THROUGHOUT THE STATE WAS HAZARDOUS AND EVENING RUSH HOUR
MOTORISTS ARE LIKELY TO HAVE LONG DELAYS. BLOWING SNOW IS DROPPING
VISIBILITIES TO NEAR ZERO AT TIMES AND SNOW DRIFTS ARE BLOCKING
ROADS IN MANY AREAS.

NEW SNOWFALL FROM 1 TO 4PM WAS AROUND 2 INCHES IN MOST OF THE
STATE. ONLY THE WESTERN COUNTIES..FROM DAYTON TO TOLEDO HAD AN
INCH OR LESS DURING THAT TIME.

SNOW DEPTHS AROUND OHIO AT 4 OCLOCK WERE 9 TO 13 INCHES IN A
BAND FROM DAYTON THROUGH COLUMBUS AND MANSFIELD..TO CLEVELAND..
AKRON AND YOUNGSTOWN. THE REST OF THE STATE HAD 3 TO 6 INCHES ON
THE GROUND.

MANY ROADS WERE CLOSED THROUGHOUT OHIO THIS AFTERNOON DUE TO
THE SNOW AND WIND. TRAVEL SHOULD NOT BE ATTEMPTED UNLESS IT
IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.

WINTER STORM WARNINGS OR TRAVELERS ADVISORIES REMAIN IN EFFECT
FOR ALL OF OHIO FOR TONIGHT. THREE TO FIVE ADDITIONAL INCHES OF
SNOW ARE FORECAST FOR TONIGHT IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE
STATE. ONE TO THREE INCHES WILL FALL OVER MOST OF THE REST OF
OHIO. ONLY THE SOUTHWEST COUNTIES WILL GET LESS THAN AN INCH OF
SNOW TONIGHT.

THE STORM THAT BROUGHT THE SNOW TO OHIO WAS OVER THE WEST
VIRGINIA-MARYLAND PANHANDLE THIS AFTERNOON AND CONTINUED TO
MOVE SLOWLY NORTHEAST. UNFORTUNATELY IT WILL NOT MOVE OUT VERY
FAST AND THE SNOW AND HIGH WINDS WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE NIGHT.
THEN TOMORROW..AFTER THE STORM MOVES OFF TO THE EAST..LAKE EFFECT
SNOW WILL BEGIN IN NORTHEAST OHIO WITH ADDITIONAL ACCUMULATIONS
LIKELY.

ANY ONE PLANNING ON VENTURING OUT OF DOORS TONIGHT SHOULD
PREPARE FOR DANGEROUS WINTER CONDITIONS. STRONG WINDS..FALLING AND
DRIFTING SNOW AND COLD TEMPERATURES WILL CAUSE LIFE THREATENING
CONDITIONS IF YOU BECOME STRANDED.

...SNOW DEPTHS IN OHIO AT 4PM EST...

TOLEDO	4 INCHES	CLEVELAND	13 INCHES
DAYTON	9 INCHES	AKRON	13 INCHES
CINCINNATI	4 INCHES	PORTSMOUTH	3 INCHES
MANSFIELD	11 INCHES	YOUNGSTOWN	11 INCHES
COLUMBUS	9 INCHES		

Wednesday, February 29, 1984

RECORD EVENT REPORT

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE COLUMBUS OH

741 AM EST WED FEB 29 1984

7.2" OF SNOWFALL WAS RECORDED AT PORT COLUMBUS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
YESTERDAY. THIS ESTABLISHED A NEW RECORD SNOWFALL FOR THE DATE, BREAKING
THE OLD RECORD OF 3.4" SET IN 1954.

ADDITIONALLY A NEW RECORD DAILY SNOW DEPTH WAS RECORDED THIS MORNING.
THE 9" DEPTH BROKE THE RECORD FOR THE DATE, EXCEEDING THE OLD RECORD OF

4" SET IN 1967 AND 1978.