Snow Batters East Coast

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Tall Snowman Takes Shape
. . . at the Amy Gardner home management house

Artistic Traffic Light
. . . on College Ave.

—Collegian Photos by John Beauge

Deserted Allen St.
. . . yesterday before noon

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About 22 Inches Fall; Worst Storm Since '42

By JOEL MYERS

The aging winter dealt its severest blow yesterday and last night as the heaviest snowstorm since March, 1942, battered the local area leaving an accumulation of about 22 inches.

The snowstorm, which is the second deepest in local history, had accumulated to a depth of 21 inches by 11 p.m. yesterday, and 1 to 2 more inches were expected before the snow diminished to flurries.

Land and air travel throughout the state was greatly hampered by the storm.

Power and telephone lines were ripped down in many areas by a combination of heavy snow and gale force winds.

ALL SNOW-REMOVAL and cindering equipment in Centre County was operating late last night, but a combination of falling, blowing and drifting snow made all roads and highways in the county "extremely hazardous" according to state police.

Police said all equipment would continue to fight the storm during the night, but they would not guarantee that all main roads would be plowed by this morning.

Some roads in the mountainous areas of the state were completely blocked by drifting snow.

Temperatures began to fall last evening making the snow drier and more powdery. This was expected to increase the amount of blowing and drifting.

THE SNOW, WHICH BEGAN late Monday and continued to fall steadily yesterday and last evening is expected to diminish to only snow flurries today.

However, blowing and drifting snow was forecast to continue until tonight. Temperatures should remain below freezing today and tonight and little melting is expected.

Heavy snow fell in all but the northeastern part of Pennsylvania yesterday. By evening amounts ranged from 4 to 8 inches in southeastern counties to 15 to 25 inches in the central and southwestern sections of the state.

Between 15 and 20 inches of snow were measured in the Pittsburgh area. Four to seven inches were reported in Philadelphia last evening, but an additional six to twelve inches was expected there by this afternoon.

The reports of greatest snow depths came from central Virginia and eastern West Virginia where amounts ranged from 15 and 30 inches.

GALE FORCE WINDS of 50 to 75 miles an hour, pounding tides and towering seas raked havoc along the Atlantic coast from Virginia to New England. Damage was estimated in the millions of dollars.

Atlantic City and Ocean City, two of New Jersey's famed resort areas, were completely cut off from the mainland and part of Atlantic City's famed Steel Pier was torn away by the sea.

The local forecast calls for mostly cloudy, windy and cold weather for today with snow diminishing to snow flurries. A high temperature of 32 degrees is expected.

Tonight should be partly cloudy and colder with a low of 20 expected.

Tomorrow should be partly cloudy and continued cold. The temperature is forecast to climb above freezing tomorrow afternoon and a high of 37 is likely.

Powers Tells Spy Story At Senate Group Hearing

WASHINGTON (AP)—U2 pilot Francis Gary Powers came through with high-flying colors yesterday as he told a Senate committee how a mysterious explosion brought his reconnaissance plane down in the heart of Russia.

Even before 32-year-old Powers began to testify, an official report vindicated him as a man who lived up to his obligations as an American.

THE PILOT TOLD THE Senate Armed Services Committee his confession was made after implied threats of a death sentence.

Powers spent 21 months in a Russian prison before he was exchanged for a Soviet spy on Feb. 10. He will receive about $50,000 in back pay under his contract with the CIA. He was employed at $30,000 a year.

Although Powers was unable to say what knocked his plane out of Soviet skies, Rep. Carl Vinson, D-Ga., chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, told reporters that CIA experts believed it was a surface-to-air missile.

THROUGHOUT his appearance, Powers spoke matter of factly and almostly unconcernedly, rarely giving any impression of the drama in which he starred.

As Powers went through his testimony there were only a few moments when he aroused any response at all from the crowded committee room. One came when he explained that the Russians were distressed because he was not eating well.

After Powers told his story, which was the first time publicly in this country, he added "There's one thing I always remembered while I was there — that I'm an American." The crowd broke into cheers.

Prexy Suggests Fewer Grants, Larger Sums

A half dozen large scholarships may be more beneficial to the University than a lot of little ones, President Eric A. Walker told the University Senate yesterday.

His comment was occasioned by the adoption of the list of 1961-62 scholarship recipients. One hundred thirty-one undergraduates were reported as receiving scholarships. The largest grant given amounted to $200.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the Senate adopted a report by the Senate Committee on Academic Standards which gives associate degree students two terms before being subject to drop action for unsatisfactory scholarship.

The present Senate ruling (P-13) gives associate degree students only one term before becoming subject to drop action.

A report on obtaining credit by advanced placement testing was presented by the Senate Committee on Educational Policy.

The report stressed the existence of such a plan at the University and urged all departments employing placement tests to grant credit by examination whenever possible.

USG May Issue Second Invitation To Walker at Meeting Tomorrow

A recommendation to extend another invitation to President Eric A. Walker to speak to the USG Congress will be presented tomorrow night at the Congress meeting, Rules Committee Chairman George Gordon said last night.

The recommendation sponsored by Anne Morris and Jon Geiger, North Halls representatives, states that: "in view of Dr. Walker's expressed interest in addressing student groups as related by Dr. Robert G. Bernreuter in Feb. 1962, the USG Congress again extends to Dr. Walker an invitation to speak before Congress."

MISS MORRIS SAID that in February when Bernreuter, special assistant to the president for student affairs, spoke to students informally in the Hetzel Union lounge, he said Walker was interested in speaking to student groups.

On Feb. 15, Congress extended an invitation to Walker to speak at a USG meeting. Walker replied that Bernreuter would be more qualified to speak to the Congress. In his reply, however, Walker did not state that he would not speak to the Congress.

The first invitation, proposed by Bruce Harrison, TIM representative, asked Walker to speak on the four-term plan, the calendar, admissions' policies and anything else he would care to discuss. In his reply Walker said that Bernreuter was the best source of information on these matters.

WALKER ALSO said he knew that Bernreuter would be glad to discuss any aspect of University life with Congressmen.

The recommendation states the new invitation should stress that the Congress is anxious to hear Walker and that they would be pleased to have Bernreuter accompany him.

"I know USG wants Dr. Walker to speak," Miss Morris said. "I got this impression from a chance sampling of opinion after the last Congress meeting."

When the recommendation was brought before the Rules Committee to be placed on the agenda, the committee unanimously approved the proposal.