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—Photo by Dave Bonner

Villains from Star Wars? Aliens in a close encounter of the third kind? Nope, these hardy snowmobilers were just stopping in at a gas station near the Norwood Bridge to refuel their beasts. Snowmobile owners across the city were out in force Sunday afternoon and evening aiding police with Operation Snowstorm. They ferried officials around and acted as a standby emergency rescue squad.

## City returning to normal, but slowly

By ROBERT WIELAARD

Winnipeg slowly returned to normal this morning in the wake of a vicious, blinding snow storm that paralyzed much of southern Manitoba Sunday and killed at least one person in the area.

RCMP in Dauphin said Romeo Stanley Knockhaert, 36, was found dead at about 2:30 p.m. Sunday on a road about 15 kilometers north-east of Ste. Rose, Man. He apparently died from exposure after his truck broke down.

No storm-related fatalities were reported in the city as about 200 pieces of snow removal equipment continued to find countless parked and abandoned vehicles in their way.

Sunday night, Emergency Measures Organization (EMO) officials said, Regent Avenue alone was littered with hundreds of abandoned vehicles and tow trucks pulled them onto residential streets.

Snow clearing operations began at about 10 p.m. Sunday when the storm subsided and drifted away in a northeasterly direction.

By noon today about most of the city transit system was back on the roads after snow-plugged traffic arteries had been cleared.

Clearing of sidestreets wasn't expected to be finished until the end of the week.

Winnipeg International

Airport, which closed down shortly before 2 p.m. Sunday, reopened at 9:30 a.m. today.

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## Deep freeze ahead

Temperatures are steadily dropping in Winnipeg following the weekend storm that brought snow and high winds to southern Manitoba reducing visibility to near zero.

Some snow flurries are expected today. Snow drifting is expected to continue today and the weather office expects an overnight low tonight of minus 20° Celsius.

The overnight low Sunday was minus 15° Celsius. At the height of the weekend storm Sunday afternoon temperatures hovered around the minus 6° Celsius mark.

Winds will gradually decrease and Tuesday is expected to be sunny and cold.

## Cancellations abound today

As the snow storm that hit Winnipeg during the weekend gathered force Sunday afternoon and evening, almost every scheduled activity in the city was cancelled, including the World Hockey Association game between the Winnipeg Jets and the Cincinnati Stingers.

The Jaycees' Santa Claus parade and the evening performance of the Andy Williams and Buddy Rich concert at the Centennial Concert Hall.

The Jets-Cincinnati game has been rescheduled for either Dec. 7 or Dec. 8. The Jets, stranded in Minneapolis Sunday night, were to fly direct to Edmonton today for a game against the Oilers Tuesday night.

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## Storm isolates southern Manitoba

Sunday's storm effectively isolated Winnipeg and virtually every community in southern Manitoba.

By late afternoon roads to communities to the north, south, east and west of the city were impassable.

By late afternoon RCMP patrols were taken off the road. In rural communities what little activity there was also closed down as the worst of the storm swept through the region.

Outside Winnipeg Portage la Prairie was probably the hardest hit with about 100 people stranded in the city. Local groups working with the assistance of the Emergency Measures Organizations set up two shelters at the Army and Navy Club and in the provincial government buildings.

A RCMP spokesman in Brandon said little traffic was moving in or through the city and only snowmobiles brought in for emergencies, a four-wheel police vehicle and the fire department's rescue truck were out.

In Morden, Jack Ridley, who operates the Morden Motor Hotel, said the town had closed down. He'd kept the hotel open until about 5 p.m. and had then closed it after feeding the few guests, about seven, who were staying there.

However in Carman, the Ryall Hotel, which would normally have about 20 guests at this time of the year, was packed to overflowing with about 60 people who'd been stranded in the town. Bill Morrison, owner of the hotel said.

## Tough decisions face Israel

### No compromise on land: Sadat

JERUSALEM (AP) — President Anwar Sadat appealed to Israel today to "make very tough decisions" for Arab-Israeli peace and said there can be no compromise on the Arabs' demand for the return of all territory captured in the 1967 war.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin, appearing at a joint news conference with his Egyptian guest, said he and Sadat agreed there will be "no more war, no more bloodshed, no more attacks and collaboration to avoid any event which may lead to such tragic developments."

Later Sadat boarded a plane and flew home to Cairo.

During the joint press conference, Begin indicated that the chief achievement of Sadat's visit was the start of a "serious direct dialogue, not only between Israel and Egypt but with all the other states."

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"The key word is continuation," said Begin. "We agreed we are going to continue our dialogue, and ultimately out of it will come peace."

Sadat said he was "deeply touched"

by the emotional reception he received on the first public visit to Israel by an Arab leader. Begin called it a "momentous visit."

Sadat said the main aim of the two countries should be "no more war, whatever happens to us."

He said there is a "great need for hard and drastic decisions" by Israel, adding: "I have already taken my share of risk in my decision to come here."

Asked whether any compromises were discussed, Sadat said he can understand Israel's security needs, "but

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## Winds kill 6,000

NEW DELHI (Reuters) — More than 6,000 persons have died in the tropical cyclone that lashed the southern Indian coast with savage winds and a tidal wave on Saturday, Samachar news agency has reported.

Samachar quoted official sources in the Andhra Pradesh state capital of Hyderabad for the figure.

The cyclone, whipping in from the Bay of Bengal, struck a 400-kilometre (250-mile) stretch of coast in Andhra Pradesh.

The disaster is the worst in India since November 1971, when nearly 10,000 people were killed by a cyclone in the eastern state of Orissa.

The latest cyclone was the second in a week to hit the south Indian coastline.

More than 400 persons died when heavy rains brought by the first storm caused flooding in the neighboring state of Tamil Nadu.

Worst-hit areas in Saturday's cyclone were in the Krishna River district near the town of Machilipatnam, where several villages were reported to have been washed away by tidal waves.

## Anti-NATO group makes gains

### Greeks re-elect Caramanlis

ATHENS (AP) — The conservative government of Premier Constantine Caramanlis won Sunday's Greek national election although an opposition movement that opposes links with North Atlantic Treaty Organization and entry into the European Common Market made dramatic gains.

In a victory statement, Caramanlis, 70, said his New Democracy party "remains the trunk of our national life. The Greek people entrusted it once again with the governing of their country."

With reports in from 9,360 of the 12,500 polling stations these were the percentage results for the 300-seat unicameral parliament:

New Democracy, 42.71 per cent; Panhel-

lenic Socialist Movement, 21.62; Union of the Democratic Centre, 12.60; Communist Party, 8.51; National Camp, 7.09; and the Alliance of Progressive and Leftist Forces, 2.47. The remainder of the votes were scattered among minor parties.

Caramanlis is expected to have 176 parliamentary seats, Andreas Papandreaou's Panhellenic Socialist Movement 75 and the Democratic Centre 11.

Caramanlis called the elections one year early, saying his conservative party needed a new mandate to decide such crucial issues as Greece's proposed entry into the Common Market, its role in NATO and relations with Turkey.

## Unknown victim of child abuse

### Mourners bury boy found by highway

ASHLAND, Ohio (AP) — None of the mourners who prayed in a small graveside gathering Saturday knew the identity of the little boy they buried.

His bruised, broken body had been dumped along a nearby interstate highway last month. Investigators say the death looks like a classic case of child abuse.

"We're dealing with a kid who was alive for two or three years," said Arthur Elk, Ashland County prosecuting attorney, who has distributed sketches of the boy

throughout the United States. "We hope somebody, somewhere is going to recognize the child."

The boy's was found Oct. 28 by a highway maintenance worker about 100 feet from the south-bound lanes of Interstate 71, three miles north of the exit to this northern Ohio town of 19,000 persons.

Investigators feel the boy was taken to the location from Cleveland, Akron or Toledo, or perhaps from out of state. They say the boy probably died a day or two before

his body was found. "He had a cast on his right arm, bruises on his face and severe bruises and scars on his back," Elk said.

An autopsy showed his left arm was also broken, he said. The boy, a three-foot two-inch, 26-pound black, was wearing red pants, a yellow terrycloth undershirt and beige short shirt, Elk said.

Hospitals and welfare agencies in Ohio were sent copies of the artist's sketch in hope that someone will recognize him.

David Matteson, a funeral

director in West Salem, Ohio, who saw a television news account of the death, helped with the burial.

"We got personally involved because we just couldn't sit back and see that little boy lying up in the county morgue and nobody coming forth to do anything," he said.

The coffin Matteson provided sat alone in his funeral parlor three days before a hearse carried it to an Ashland cemetery, where a woman donated a plot. Several individuals sent flowers, and a United Methodist minister read from his prayer book as about 30

persons huddled from a brisk morning breeze under a tent.

Several children were at the service, including the five-year-old son and two-year-old daughter of Paul O'Reilly, the prosecuting attorney's investigator.

"I told them we were going to a little boy's funeral — a little boy who died but nobody knows who his parent are," O'Reilly said.

"I told them the little boy would have no father or no mother or no aunts or uncles there to feel sorry for him, and that we were going to go and feel sorry for him."

## Know the scores

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Alice Krueger

On council pay

Winnipeg Mayor Robert Steen has been busy lately trying to smoke out the Independent Citizens' Election Committee on plans to raise city councillors' salaries.

Steen had a hunch the ICEC members planned to vote themselves hefty pay increases shortly after coming to office, so he started thinking out loud on the subject, obviously in the hope of forcing them out into the open.

If, in fact, the ICEC had any immediate plans to increase councillors' pay, it would appear they have backed off, at least for the time being. Their caucus chairman, Coun. Don Smith, insists it's not a priority with the ICEC, that it's never even been discussed at their caucus meetings and that the only one who is talking about raises is the mayor.

That's not to say though, that it won't come up in the future, admits Smith. And Winnipeggers shouldn't be too surprised if the future is not too distant. After all, councillors wouldn't want to wait too long and run the risk of the electorate remembering when the 1980 election arrives.

Nor should Winnipeg ratepayers be surprised if the ICEC asks an independent body to do their dirty work, and set salaries for councillors in the future.

Smith says councillors are waiting to see how the new setup works, and then they will assess the workload and whether there should be a raise in pay.

Or could it be the ICEC has decided it had better wait for a respectable period of time after the election before pushing through any major adjustment in councillors' salaries. Particularly in view of the six per cent cost of living increase in their pay packets at the end of this month. Even that has sparked strong public reaction. Some people are outraged that councillors are getting extra money even before they've done a nickie's worth of work.

Councillors get \$11,000

That increase, retroactive to Nov. 1, brings the basic annual salary of councillors to approximately \$11,000. For those councillors who previously didn't sit on a committee, the cost of living adjustment plus changes in the City of Winnipeg Act mean a raise of close to \$4,000. (Recent amendments to the act state that each of the 29 councillors must sit on a committee, which means \$3,000 additional pay.)

The ICEC councillors are becoming more than just a little annoyed at Steen's periodic references to pay raises.

"It's like we're sitting here, poised like vultures, to vote ourselves an increase in salary," Smith said in a recent interview.

"The ICEC is taking a lot of flak over salary increases and we haven't even discussed it yet."

At the same time, however, they insist there's a good case to be made for substantially higher pay, following reorganization. It's difficult to argue with that, because a greatly increased workload is apparent under the new structure, perhaps even to the point where it could become a full-time job.

Twenty-nine councillors will be expected to do the work previously done by 30. Instead of 12 community committees, there now are only six.

Wards have almost doubled in size in many cases, and so councillors will have more ratepayers to hear out on the usual municipal problems such as potholes, basement flooding, garbage pickup and street cleaning.

Furthermore, Winnipeg councillors' salaries are far from the highest when compared with those in other major Canadian cities. That may not be a valid argument, however, since the workload can vary considerably, depending on the number of councillors and the form of local government.

What the others make

Here are the salaries of elected civic officials in other Canadian cities:

Vancouver, with a council of 10, \$13,992; Edmonton, 12 councillors, \$7,999; Calgary, with 11 aldermen, \$10,800; Metro Toronto, council of 38, \$6,700; Toronto, 22 representatives, \$19,710; Etobicoke, 11 representatives, \$11,110; North York, 18 councillors, \$13,860; Scarborough, 16 councillors, \$13,370; Ottawa, 15 councillors, \$26,221; Hamilton, 27 councillors, \$8,500; Halifax, 10 councillors each getting \$10,000.

Some Winnipeg councillors are said to be thinking in terms of pay parity with provincial MLAs, since they now represent roughly the same number of constituents. At present, MLAs receive a basic sessional indemnity of \$12,200, plus \$6,100 in expense allowances and \$700 in constituency allowance.

Smith says that while a Winnipeg councillor does about the same amount of work as an MLA over the course of a year, equal pay would be "pretty strenuous."

"I think it's a little rich . . . I, personally, would feel embarrassed taking that kind of money," he said.

Former deputy-mayor Bernie Wolfe, however, says that kind of pay for city councillors would not be out of line. Wolfe, who was once quoted as saying he was worth every penny he was being paid, says he was forced to give up civic politics because he could no longer afford it. He estimates he attended more than 100 meetings during his last three-year term of office, and most of those meetings were three or four hours.

"It cost me a sizable chunk of my income because my business was going all to hell," he said.

Wolfe says he warned councillors prior to the elections that if they were going to run again, "you had better say goodbye to your family and to your business because if you're going to be a good councillor, that's what you'll have to do."

What the ICEC councillors want more than anything, however, is for an independent body to determine a fair salary for city representatives. After that, it would be tied to the cost of living. A nice arrangement if they can get it, because that would spare them the public's wrath which now is inevitable each time their pay goes up. Provincial MLAs went to an indexing system several years ago and there's little public outcry whenever their salaries go up with the cost of living. It's automatic and because it's gradual, little attention is drawn to it.

At least this one gave plenty of warning

By PHILIP RODGERS

Sunday's storm could be described as "the best predicted snow storm in Manitoba's meteorological history."

The Winnipeg weather office's prediction Friday night of the course and outcome of the storm was right on beam — which also made it one storm that everyone should have been prepared for.

And, as far as police, fire, ambulance and emergency services and organizations were concerned, everyone was prepared.

But a lot of people, like Alec Olien of St. Boniface, ignored the warning. And a lot of people, like Olien, ended up being stranded.

Most people either managed to make it home on foot, abandoning vehicles which later hampered street clearing when city snow removal crews were able to get out onto the streets, or else they found refuge in private homes or city hotels.

Olien was also one of the lucky ones and ended up getting a free meal and a safe, warm place to sleep — the Bonanza Restaurant on Regent Avenue.

He'd attended the christening of a nephew in Transcona earlier but found when he tried to return to St. Boniface that the roads, blocked as much by the abandoned cars as the drifting snow, were impassable.

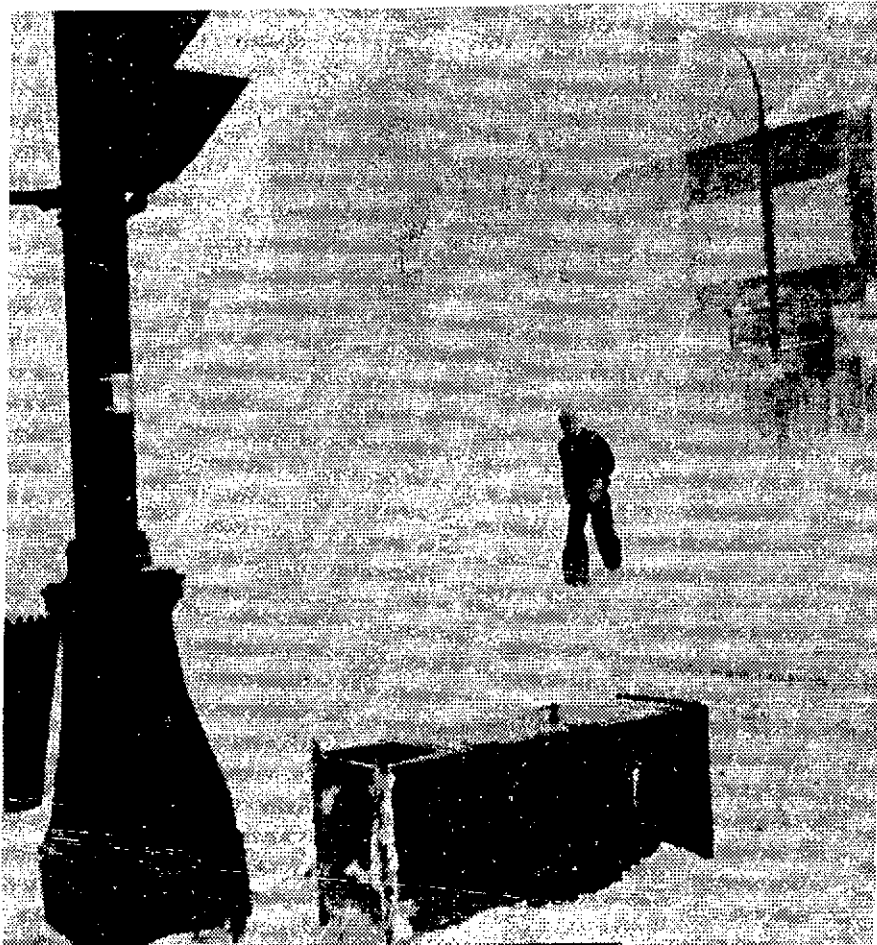
Fortunately he did make it to the restaurant, which had stayed open despite the storm. By midnight about 150 people were there, arriving either by car or with the help of a group of snowmobile operators who travelled through the area taking people from stranded cars.

Most of the people elected to stay the night there rather than make another attempt to get through the streets. Brian Seale was another man who was able to drive there. He seemed to be enjoying the experience. "This sort of thing brings out the best in Winnipeggers," he said.

Joanne Tkachuk and her husband were two more people who thought they'd beat the storm. They'd been visiting in Transcona and left "before it got too bad or dark", Mrs. Tkachuk said. But not, unfortunately, soon enough.

Later, when the first tow trucks appeared on the street to tow away stranded vehicles to allow the plows, Mrs. Tkachuk thought they'd try to get home to their children.

Each year, and with each storm, Winnipeg snowmobile operators assume greater importance in keeping communications open in the city. They were out in force Sunday doing every imaginable task including getting senior, city officials to emergency meetings.



— Photo by Wayne Glowacki

A lone pedestrian (top) makes his way across Portage Avenue Sunday afternoon in the thick of the snow storm. Gusts of up to 90 kilometers an hour blew down mailboxes along the sidewalk. Meanwhile, Carol Dorosdowech, eight, of St. Vital, was well dressed for the occasion (right). She and some friends were out helping in the search for two neighborhood dogs lost in the storm. Elsewhere in St. Vital, snow plows were hard at work clearing streets. In midafternoon, with the storm raging, the plows were pulled off the clearing job and held on standby for emergency rescues. Clearing resumed at 10 p.m. and continued through the night on arterial roads. The storm dropped about 15 centimeters of snow on the city.



— Photo by Dave Bonner



— Photo by Dave Bonner



# Sunday storm brings city to a standstill

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restoring air service. About 500 travellers who spent the night trapped at the airport were on their way again.

A spokesman for the EMO which organized snowmobile emergency squads said following a 6 a.m. meeting at the Holiday Inn regional city streets should be clear tonight and residential streets will be cleared in the next few days.

The weekend storm brought six inches of snow to the area whipped by wind gusts of up to 90 kilometers or 60 miles an hour creating zero visibility conditions, halting all traffic in and out of the city.

The weather office lifted its blizzard warning at 3 a.m. today. The warning was issued at 4 a.m. Saturday, and the bad weather caused closures of many private businesses, all public and many private schools. The city's two universities shut down for the day and all court hearings were cancelled.

Traffic in southern Manitoba came to a virtual standstill Sunday, and in Winnipeg, police depended heavily on the services of about 75 snowmobilers who were mobilized in emergency squads supervised by police.

Blocked by snowdrifts

Sunday afternoon and evening, the Trans-Canada highway was open again by noon today, as were major regional roads. Major bus lines resumed service by noon. The bus depot in downtown Winnipeg had closed Sunday afternoon.

Officials were unable this weekend to give a cost estimate of the snowplowing, but the bill will likely exceed the \$1 million figure based on the experience after similar storms in 1966 and 1975.

Sunday 50 to 60 people were stranded on the Perimeter Highway, including five vehicles of boy scouts whose weekend camping trip to Lake Winnipeg came to an abrupt halt.

The scouts were reported safe at a farm house and restaurant on the Perimeter Highway.

The weekend storm had dumped about 18 centimeters (5.9 inches) of snow by midnight on southern Manitoba, stirring memories of two previous snowstorms, on March 4, 1966 and Jan. 11, 1975 that also paralyzed the city.

A ministry of transport spokesman said a city transit

bus tried to drive out to the airport at 6 p.m., but had to return because all access was blocked by drifts.

Hundreds of events, meetings and sporting events, including a World Hockey Association game between Winnipeg Jets and Cincinnati Stingers, were cancelled Sunday with more expected to follow today.

As well, many stores and businesses were not expected to open this morning.

Minister of Education Keith Cosens authorized all schools in the snow region to remain closed today. Many private schools also announced they wouldn't open.

Most of the city's emergency services were concentrated through the Emergency Coordinating Committee (ECC) made up of senior city officials and heads of fire and police departments and officials of the Emergency Measures Organization.

The ECC was formed after the 1966 storm and many of those meeting Sunday were veterans of the city's worst storm.

The committee met three times Sunday at city hall and later at the Holiday Inn, where accommodation had

been taken for about 18 of the 22 committee members.

At the height of the storm, emergency services depended largely on volunteer snowmobilers and citizens band radio groups. The snowmobilers were organized in each district under a captain and were working in cooperation with the police department.

The police also operated a master control emergency room to coordinate all emergency calls.

Although it was first believed the storm would peak at midnight, it tapered off at about 10 p.m. The Winnipeg weather office said its blizzard warning for the area was continuing overnight as the storm centre moved slowly eastward.

The storm caused a three-hour power outage for some 200 Manitoba Hydro customers in Charleswood. A hydro spokesman said the failure was due to a fault in an underground distributor feeder.

The storm left train operations in the area almost unaffected. Both Canadian National and CP Rail reported their eastbound and westbound continental trains moved through Winnipeg with little or no delay.



A tired-looking Mayor Robert Stoen after emergency meeting at city hall Sunday.

# Briefly

## U.K. troops fight fire

LONDON — British troops prevented a huge explosion Sunday by extinguishing one of the worst blazes since Britain's firemen went on strike a week ago. Using outdated equipment and with little experience, the troops doused a London warehouse fire burning near tanks filled with 250,000 gallons of highly inflammable fluid. The fire, burning three hours before it was controlled, swept through a block of five warehouses packed with industrial rags.

## Statue goes for \$5 million

LONDON — An anonymous buyer has purchased for a near-record price what is probably the most spectacular Greek bronze statue ever discovered, a leading British newspaper reported Sunday.

The Sunday Times said the buyer, thought to be American, paid more than \$5 million for the only known example of the work of Lysippos, a fourth-century BC sculptor.

## Flight to Rhodesia dropped

SALISBURY — The Portuguese Airline TAP has suspended direct flights to Rhodesia, leaving South African Airways as the only foreign carrier operating in the breakaway British colony.

TAP said during the weekend that weekly flights—one in each direction to and from Lisbon—are suspended to conform with mandatory United Nations sanctions against white-ruled Rhodesia.

Before the 1974 coup in Portugal, only South Africa and Portugal refused to enforce sanctions against Rhodesia.

Rhodesian passengers flying to Europe on TAP will now have to travel to Johannesburg to catch their connection.

## Pope still 'no' on abortions

VATICAN CITY — Pope Paul has reaffirmed the Roman Catholic Church's stand against abortion, even in cases where the unborn fetus is found by doctors to be "severely handicapped."

"Malformations, when such unhappily occur, cannot deprive any human being of its dignity or its inalienable right to existence. In fact, it is a materialistic view of life to see things otherwise," the pope said Saturday.

He spoke in French at an audience with a delegation of French obstetricians and gynecologists attending an international medical congress in Rome.

"You must not forget that your profession is at the service of human life, of every human life from the moment of conception," he said.

## Hunter found after 24 hours

RCMP working with a dog team Sunday found a hunter who had been missing for nearly 24 hours in the Whitemouth, Man., area.

Dennis Klyne, 28, was found in the bush at about 11 a.m. 1 1/2 miles from where he had been last seen Saturday.

RCMP had brought in the dog team from Winnipeg International Airport to help in the search.

Klyne, who suffered minor frost bite, was taken to hospital in Pinawa, where he was reported in satisfactory condition.

## Second royal birth in a week

LONDON — The Duchess of Gloucester gave birth Saturday to a seven-pound, 11-ounce baby girl, a Kensington Palace spokesman announced.

It was Britain's second royal baby this week at St. Mary's Hospital in west London, the same hospital where Princess Anne gave birth last Tuesday to the first grandchild of Queen Elizabeth.

Unlike Princess Anne's child, born a commoner, the duchess' daughter takes the title Lady Windsor. The duchess is married to the queen's first cousin, 33-year-old Prince Richard, Duke of Gloucester, ninth in line of succession to the throne.

## Cancer patient electrocuted

PATERSON, N.J. — A bedridden cancer patient was electrocuted when a lightning bolt travelled to a heating pad on which he was lying in his home, authorities reported.

Police said Manfred Shultz, 77, of Bloomingdale, N.J., was killed Thursday at the height of a severe thunderstorm that passed through the state.

## Police seek hold-up suspects

Winnipeg police are looking for two men who held up a 65-year-old man late Saturday in East Kildonan.

The man was in the lane behind his home about 10 p.m., clearing snow off his car, when he was approached by two men, police said Sunday.

One of the men was brandishing a rifle. They demanded money and fled after being given a small amount, the spokesman said.

## Wardair freighter crashes

HAY RIVER, S.W.T. — A Wardair freight aircraft carrying two crew members crashed on take-off from the airport here Sunday morning.

An RCMP spokesman said in a telephone interview that the fate of the two crew members was being withheld until today. One man was reported injured.

Tom Spalding, executive vice-president of Wardair, said Sunday night in Edmonton that the aircraft was a Bristol freighter with a pilot and co-pilot aboard.

The RCMP spokesman said ministry of transport officials arrived late Sunday to investigate the crash.

Compiled from dispatches

# Cancellations abound today

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With buses being pulled off the street in mid-afternoon, a number of businesses, including Dominion Bridge and Canadian Publishers, cancelled their midnight shifts.

The Williams concert Sunday afternoon went ahead as planned with volunteers

helping concert goers to get home after the concert.

During the height of the storm businesses and institutions throughout the city began cancelling arrangements for today.

Following is a partial list of cancellations and changes:

- Classes in all public schools and most private schools have been cancelled.
- All classes at the University of Manitoba have been cancelled and the University of Winnipeg has cancelled its daytime classes.
- Winnipeg Centennial Library and all its branches were to be closed today.
- All early morning flights out of Winnipeg airport were being cancelled, but flights were expected to resume by late morning.
- Transit buses were expected to be out on whatever major roads had been cleared, with full service expected later in the day.
- Today's special meeting of city council was cancelled and rescheduled for Tuesday.
- Other civic committee meetings for today were also cancelled and were to be rescheduled.

Although the committee was still strongly advising the public to stay off the streets except for emergency purposes, they declined to suggest any closure of city businesses, preferring to leave it to individual decisions.

Provincial government offices were expected to be open today.

# Now for the good news: It wasn't really a blizzard

If it offers any comfort, the airport weather office said Sunday night, the weekend snowstorm that virtually paralyzed southern Manitoba Sunday wasn't really a blizzard and compares poorly with the 1966 and 1977 storms.

"I never really qualified as a blizzard," forecaster Jack McMorran said in an interview "because it wasn't cold enough."

One of the characteristics of a blizzard, he said, is temperatures below the minus 12° Celsius mark. At the height of Sunday's storm the temperature was minus 6° Celsius.

The five or six inches of snow that fell in the afternoon don't make it a blizzard either, McMorran added. The March 1, 1977 storm dumped 11 inches of snow on the city, while the Jan. 12, 1975 storm brought 7 1/2 inches.

The 1966 storm packed winds of up to 70 miles an hour compared with wind gusts of 60

miles an hour in 1975 and this weekend.

The latest storm has one feature in common with the 1975 one: both hit Winnipeg on a weekend while the 1966 storm peaked on Friday afternoon stranding thousands of workers at their office and shoppers in stores.

As a result, this year no one slept in the store furniture departments.

The weather office first issued a weather advisory Friday afternoon which it upgraded to a blizzard warning at 1 a.m. Saturday.

McMorran said the early warning of the weekend storm is a result of better forecasting equipment.

"Our weather maps for the next day, for instance, are now drawn by computer. This gives us an earlier than usual look at the upcoming weather."

# Conservatives won't back NDP in fighting corporate tax breaks

OTTAWA (CP) — Progressive Conservative MPs plan to fight this week Liberal income tax proposals that affect individuals but will not back the New Democratic Party's opposition to corporate tax breaks, says Conservative finance critic Sinclair Stevens.

Stevens was commenting in an interview on the specific government plans his party will oppose during clause-by-clause debate on an income tax bill that contains proposals from the budget last spring and from a mini-budget announced last month by Finance Minister Jean Chretien.

NDP House Leader Stanley Knowles said in an interview that his party will oppose many of the proposals which NDP Leader Ed Broadbent says add up to \$1.2 billion in corporate hand-outs.

Stevens said Conservatives agree that companies like Inco Ltd., which plans to lay off 3,550 Canadian nickel miners soon, should not get government financial help for foreign business operations. However, he said the NDP argument that all the corporate tax proposals amount to a lump-sum hand-out is irresponsible rhetoric that ignores normal business hardships like depreciation of assets.

"Ed Broadbent realizes he can be relatively irresponsible because he realizes he'll never form a government," said Stevens, MP for York Simcoe.

Among the corporate breaks in the bill are increases in dividend and investment tax credits, a three-year extension of investment tax credit, a new tax deduction for some inventory costs, increased cap-

ital gains deductions and a bigger offset for capital losses.

The bill also would give the government authority to borrow \$9 billion which Stevens said Conservatives will oppose "just on principle because of the way they're almost rubber-stamping increases."

He called it a helter-skelter way to handle federal spending in light of the fact the government asked for and got permission from Parliament last spring for \$7 billion borrowing.

Following are the other specific issues Stevens says Conservative MPs will fight or propose:

- The government prevents individual tax deductions for interest paid on loans from insurance companies where the borrower has an insurance policy. Interest paid on loans from

banks where the borrower uses an insurance policy for collateral is tax deductible and Conservatives say the same rule should apply for insurance company loan interest.

• Since 1972, the government has eliminated capital gains tax on non-incorporated family farm land and property passed on to a new generation. Conservatives say this should also apply to the seven per cent of family farms that are incorporated.

• The government promised a maximum \$100 personal income tax cut and says it will take place in January and February. But Conservatives say the timing is not guaranteed in the legislation and they want the cut as soon as possible and guaranteed on paper.

# No compromise on land: Sadat

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it shouldn't be through any compromise on land because it would mean expansion."

"Our land is sacred," he said.

Israeli reporters at the conference questioned both leaders repeatedly about Sadat's failure to extend to Begin the return invitation to Cairo Israel had expected. The prime minister said he understands why he hasn't been invited "at this stage," and Sadat said: "We have found we must postpone this issue for the future."

Earlier today, Sadat told members of the Israeli parliament that Israel and the Arabs should agree on measures to provide "full security" for Israel and

should also agree that the 1973 war "should be the last war."

The Egyptian president returned to the Knesset, Israel's parliament, for an informal session at which Israeli deputies gave him their views and applauded after a member congratulated him on the birth of a granddaughter Sunday.

After hearing from eight of the members, Sadat replied that "the main issue should be security for Israel."

"We are ready and have no objection to whatever measures that can be agreed upon to provide you with full security. Whatever measures should be

taken, we will ask the same for ourselves."

He mentioned demilitarized zones and early-warning stations.

"The other issue is the October (1973) war should be the last war," Sadat said.

"If we agree on security and no war again, whatever happens can be solved through peaceful negotiations or peaceful means."

Sadat met with Knesset members after three joint appearances Sunday with Prime Minister Menachem Begin in which both spoke fervently of their desire for peace but neither made any concession on the major issues dividing Israel and the Arabs.