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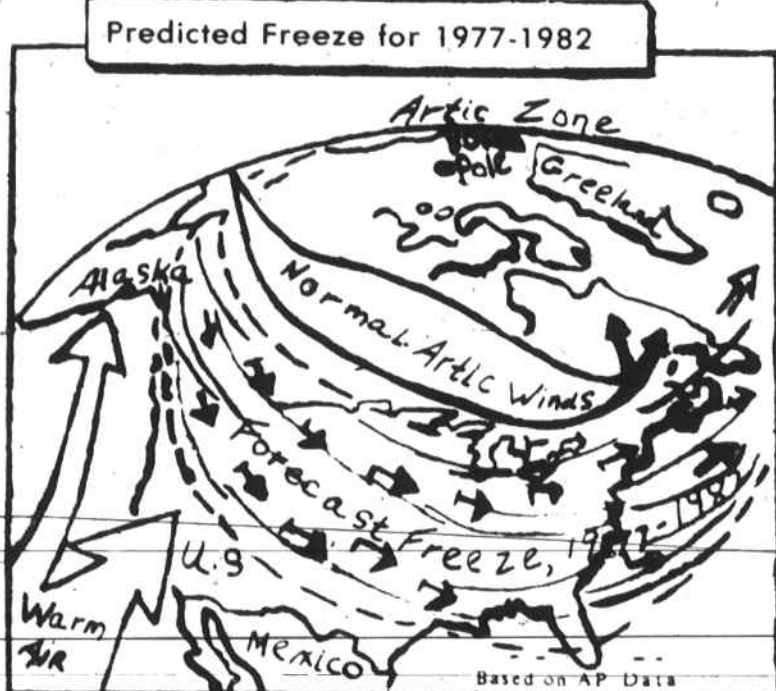
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BLACK MEDIA WEATHER ALERT

Predicted Arctic Winds
for 1977-1982

Black folk, and all half-steppin' -- and all else here in the U.S., are in for the worst several winters yet to come. Relax. Let's be sensible and plan to provide the comforts necessary for the much colder winters heading our way. The evidence is illustrated clearly in the map below. The Arctic winds normally hovering over upper Canada during the winter months have shifted their course predominantly to or



most of the United States.

Serious considerations and adjustments will be necessary if, in fact, we are due for at least another five years or more of the predicted intense chill factor coming our way. A comforting word or two

is that it doesn't at all have to be that unpleasant or costly.

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hints for our elusive, and up-and-coming bitter weather will be readily available to you right here. So, watch for the money-saving, and comfort-increasing advice in this newspaper and elsewhere. Until then, be sensible. Button up -- keep on that sweater at all times and be comfortable.

Public Housing Evictions Stopped By Order Of HUD

A moratorium on evictions of tenants in some low rent public housing projects has been issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Exactly what projects across the nation and particularly in North Carolina are affected by the regulation has not been determined. The reason cited for the regulation is a severe winter and high heating costs.

A HUD directive issued on February 18 declares, "no evictions shall be commenced in PHA (public housing authority)-owned low income housing projects unless the PHA is certain that the person or persons to be evicted are able to move into decent, safe, sanitary, and satisfactory heating housing. Any pending eviction actions shall be suspended."

The directive requires an adjustment where the tenant pays for his own fuel and

where "evictions derive from non-payment of rent and it can be reasonably demonstrated that the family's inability to pay is the result of increased tenant-supplied utility costs."

The directive also changes the order of persons on the public housing waiting list for vacant units. "Preference (is given) in filling all vacancies in low-income housing projects to families who are living

in unheated dwellings or who face immediate termination of essential utilities because of increased costs."

Where vacant units exist but are unusable because they need repairs, the Area Insuring Office should be informed and HUD can provide funds.

Many housing authorities across the state have been

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Depression On Rise Among Nation's Young

A growing number of young people are suffering from mental depression, according to the Mental Health Association in Forsyth County.

"At one time, the incidence of depression increased with age," said Dr. Thomas

Elmore, President of the Forsyth Association. "There was a low rate in the young, increasing in each succeeding age group and reaching its peak in the elderly."

"In recent years the rate has increased rapidly in those in their teens and early twenties. This group now outstrips all others except the elderly."

Elmore explained that depression in the young is often triggered by an event that causes stress. This might be the breaking off of a close relationship, difficulty in adjusting to school, the death of a parent, or failure to attain one's goals. Such situations

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Carolyn Canty



Charlene Roseboro



Wayne Douthit



Wandretta Kimber

Man In The Street

Is There Justice In N.C. Courts?

Sandra Dupree found innocent, Rodney Sumler found guilty, L.C. Jester innocent, Reginald Lampkins guilty. The list goes on and on. With a great number of people disagreeing with these and other court decisions and many going so far as to say that there is no justice in the North Carolina court system the "man in the street" decided to ask city residents if they felt there was justice in the court system.

Here is how some of them responded.

Carolyn Canty answered, "No, the only justice is aimed toward the whites. Blacks have to struggle just to live. There is always some way that blacks are denied justice through legal loopholes. I

could give you an essay as to why blacks don't receive justice and cite examples to back it up. Take rape for example, they want to make this punishable by death and in 90% of the cases a black man is accused of raping a white woman. If a white man

rapes a black woman its pushed under the rug or he's found not guilty where as the black man gets life or death."

Charlene Roseboro said, "No, there no justice in the court system. I feel that the people who are doing wrong don't get caught, but most blacks who are found guilty in court are innocent. Most blacks don't have the money for a good lawyer to fight a case. Blacks are victims of financial and racial prejudice in court."

Charlotte Hairston remarked, "No, not really, there is still a great amount of prejudice here and it runs over into the court system."

Wayne Lee Douthit replied, "No, there not really any justice in court. I know I've been in court five or six times and a black man doesn't stand a chance. They do all the talking but won't listen. If you don't have money when you go in there you don't stand a chance. Blacks need money

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