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Happy Fans - Davis High's football season wound up on a happy note as the Rebels defeated North Rowan Friday. Sharing in the excitement are, left to right, Dadene Whitaker, Andy Smith, Tina Hoyle, Sharon Sechrest,

Patricia Hendricks, and Marchetta Dull. For two pages of pictures about how it happened, turn to Page 8 and 11 where we're treating fans to two pages of action football pictures by Photographer James Barringer.

Snow Storm Cuts Off Power

Duke Gets Most Lines In 3 Hours; Erwin Mills Not Affected

Cooleemee and many parts of the county became a place of total darkness around 10 o'clock Monday night due to an early snow storm which caused major power failure.

The storm started just after dark and this was the only time in my life that I can remember of having thunder and lightning while it was snowing.

When things begin to happen around here, it comes like bananas—in bunches.

There were many happy faces earlier Monday night as the first snow of the season, which came much earlier than I can ever recall, began covering the town like a huge white blanket. This was quite a thrill for the young and young-at-heart to see so much snow, before the trees had even shed their leaves for the winter.

Then came the total darkness on the coldest night of the season, which was also a big surprise. There were many cold homes and a great deal of them without heat or water until late Tuesday.

Many of the first shift workers had gone to bed before this power failure and due to having electric clocks were several hours late for work, not to mention the trouble they had getting there in all the snow.

Erwin Mills, however, was unaffected by this failure. They have their own sub station, which continued to supply them with power throughout the storm.

A spokesman for Duke Power Company in Mocksville stated the trouble here was due to malfunction in the Cooleemee sub station. This was caused by the snow being unusually heavy on the lines and the trees. Many of the trees had not yet lost their leaves and of course, held much more snow than usual. This caused a large number of them to break and was a major hazard to the power lines.

He also expressed his appreciation to the people for their cooperation and understanding during this crisis and assured everyone that the entire staff would continue working around the clock until power had been restored to all residents.

All Duke Power offices in surrounding areas were summoned. When power was completely restored to their immediate area, they continued to help those without electricity until all the lines were repaired.

The men from Duke Power are to be commended for the fine work they have done. Although many homes were without power only three hours, others were not restored until late Tuesday. These men worked many long and faithful hours until all the trouble was completely cleared up.

This all adds up to Monday being our coldest, darkest, whitest, prettiest and most unusual night in many years.

Snow Scenes

Top --- Dana Ervin makes a snowman while other youngsters build a fort (right).

Center --- The wind blew the Jayco's new fighter off the ground so it looks like it's taking off. Traci Lynn Benson watches Dana refine his snowman.

Bottom --- A truck is stuck in the snow, mud and ice (left) while big limbs were blown off the tree in front of the Baptist Church.

