

--10 Here, --21 At Airport:

Coldest Weather Of Winter Hits City, Peninsula

Marquette County residents shivered in their boots this morning, as the mercury nosedived to the season's lowest temperatures and the coldest in more than a year; but they weren't alone in their chilly misery.

Where Marquette's official minimum was 10 below zero, it was -21 a few miles west, at Marquette County Airport in Negaunee Township; -21 also at Herman in the Upper Peninsula's famous "snow belt" and in the minus 30s in many other Midwestern communities.

K. I. Sawyer Air Force Base reported 17 below zero early today; Sault Ste. Marie -12, Escanaba -13, and Calumet, -6.

Two Minnesota stations shared honors for the nation's coldest readings this morning. Hibbing and Bemidji had lows of -38 about 8 a.m.

-44 At White River

Across Lake Superior, at White River, Ont., the thermometer plunged even lower, registering 44 degrees below zero.

The picture was similar throughout a broad section of the country, according to Fred Mueller, chief meteorologist at the U. S. Weather Bureau in Marquette.

Sioux Falls, S. D., posted an all-time record low of -35 this morning. Subzero readings were reported also in Illinois, Iowa, the Dakotas, eastern Nebraska and eastern Montana, and all points north of those states.

Temperatures elsewhere also

were subnormal, ranging from 10 to 20 degrees in Oklahoma and Arkansas to 30 to 40 degrees in Texas (San Antonio had a low of 31 this morning). Brownsville in the big state's southernmost tip, a low of 41). The southeastern states were experiencing readings in the 30s and faced a cold wave warning.

Meanwhile, back in the U. P., some areas had cloudy skies and were reporting snow, with the result that their weather was not quite so cold.

Heavy Snow In Alger

Munising received nine inches of snow over the weekend, two Saturday, seven Sunday, bringing its season's total to 87.9 inches. The wind was blowing in Alger County but the snow had stopped, and temperatures dropped only to three below zero this morning.

At Herman, where two-tenths of an inch of fresh snow boosted the season's total to 134.5 inches, the coldest weather of the winter was in evidence. Herman, whose all time low was -41 in January 1964, was considerably colder today with -21 than a year ago today, when it was nine above zero. Last year, however, the community had 33 inches of snow on the ground on this date, compared with the present 22.

Marquette's snow depth hasn't dropped as greatly as the temperature, but it has decreased from 21 inches on Jan. 9 to 14 inches, as of this morning.

Only traces of snow were recorded here over the weekend, and the month's and season's

best reading but the coldest temperature in Marquette since a year ago New Year's Eve. That day — Dec. 31, 1968 — the mercury dropped to -12 here.

It could do so again tonight, since the forecast through Tuesday calls for continuing very cold weather under generally fair skies; a combination that, more often than not, adds up to frigid lows.

Mueller said the only exceptions in the U. P. will be the Copper Country and the Munising-Grand Marais areas, where cloudy skies and snow flurries should keep temperatures up somewhat.

-25 Tonight Inland?

In Marquette today, the mercury was not expected to exceed zero to five degrees. Lows tonight will be around 10 below zero near Lake Superior and 15 to 25 below zero inland. The highs Tuesday again are expected to be around five above.

Increasing cloudiness is anticipated Wednesday, so that day is predicted not quite so cold.

The five-day forecast (through Saturday) calls for temperatures running seven to 10 degrees below the normal high of 26 and normal low of 13.

It will be cold through midweek, warming near the weekend; and precipitation is expected to total a quarter of an inch (water equivalent), in snow mostly near the weekend.

Three Drivers Given Tickets In Ishpeming

ISHPEMING — Three Ishpeming motorists received tickets from local police as a result of traffic accidents during the weekend.

Thomas Bianco, 584 Jopling St., was given a summons for failure to yield the right-of-way after his car was struck by another vehicle driven by Steven Anderson, 343 W. Division St., at 2:20 a.m. Saturday at the intersection of Bessemer and Second St.

Human Rights Commission Expanding Program To Aid Black Students At Northern

An expanding program of assistance for black students attending Northern Michigan University was initiated during the first 1969-70 semester by a human rights commission created last year, the NMU Board of Control was told Saturday.

Dr. Jack Rombouts, vice president for administration who also serves as chairman of the commission, said the new

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agency achieved considerable success in setting up tutorial, resident aide and part-time work programs for the black students.

Millage Vote Set Tuesday

Electors in the Marquette School District will go to the polls Tuesday to cast ballots on a proposal submitted by the Marquette Board of Education seeking approval of a 16 mill levy for operational purposes for a five year period.

Board members pointed out today that the proposal does not call for an increase in the millage, but simply retention of the levy that is currently in effect to help defray school operational costs.

Two polling places have been approved for the special election. Persons living on Ridge St. and in the area north of Ridge will vote at Graveraet

His report came during discussion by Dr. John X. Jamrich, university president, of activities by several faculty and staff members and students during the Dec. 17 sit-in by a number of black students. Jamrich commended all "for their involvement" in activities during that period.

Joseph Gross, Lansing, board of control member, expressed belief that the black students needed, "more than anything else," an adult "with both feet on the ground" to give them advice they may not have received at home or in school before beginning their higher education. Later he made it plain that he believed that black students attending Northern to get an education should keep that objective in mind.

Basic Aim Of Commission

The human rights commission was set up at Northern "to uphold and safeguard the human rights of all students and faculty, with particular emphasis on black students and other minority groups who might be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, creed or national origin, and specifically the need for improving relations between the black and white communities in the university community and in the City of Marquette."

Serving on it are five students, five faculty members and two administrators. Three black students have been named members of the commission, which has been working closely with the Black Students Association.

The special programs undertaken by the commission to provide additional assistance for

black students were described by Rombouts as follows:

Tutorial program — 17 black students and 32 faculty members are providing individual assistance to black students needing help. During the first semester, 97 of the 141 blacks living on campus had obtained some form of assistance through this program. The black tutors are paid student-labor rates.

Black resident aide program — Four such aides have been assigned to groups of men's and women's residence halls to advise students on academic, personal, social and financial matters. Previously there was only one black resident advisor — and no black resident assistants — in the residence halls.

Student employment — Commission members have been active in trying to place minority students in part-time jobs on campus and have been studying the feasibility of setting up a centralized student employment office which would provide all students equal opportunity in making application and receiving consideration for campus jobs.

The human rights commission plans to continue and expand the programs it has initiated, as well as to work for more financial aid to black students, seek to have a black graduate student working in the student employment office and otherwise improve the educational, social and financial status of minority students.

Obituary

RUDOLPH S. NIEMI

DETROIT — Services for Rudolph S. Niemi, 61, Detroit, were held last Thursday in Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Southfield.

Mr. Niemi, a native of Negaunee who had made his home in Detroit for 45 years, was born Dec. 6, 1908. He died Jan. 13.

Memorial tributes were held by Kilwinning Lodge, F.&A.M.,