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DOMESTIC NEWS.

COLD WEATHER STILL PLAGUES COUNTRY, NEW YORK: A blizzard lashed snow shackled Western New York Tuesday triggering a state of emergency, in drift buried Buffalo. The coldest winter on record in history kept a sapping drain on energy in the Midwest and East and the number of idled workers mounted above 2 million. More than 160 inches of snow have fallen on Buffalo so far this winter. The number of persons laid off or otherwise idled across the nation, because of the long string of winter storms and weeks of harsh cold, mounted to between 2 and 2.3 million. Congress worked to complete President Carters emergency natural gas legislation, but in a move that could delay final action, the House Democratic leadership decided to stick with a House Committees version, instead of acting on one passed Monday by the Senate. The legislation was designed to ease the shift of natural gas across state borders to relieve the energy crunch in hardest hit states. January weather records in dozens of cities and towns from the Mississippi valley to the Atlantic showed the month was the coldest on record.

WASHINGTON: Federal Trade Commissioner Paul Dixon, apologized to Arab Americans Tuesday for calling Ralph Nader a dirty Arab, but did not retract the rest of his scathing personal attack on the consumer advocate.

WASHINGTON: In a new report on natural gas supplies federal expert said Tuesday, the shortages of the weekend have eased slightly, but there is little prospect for quickly re-opening plants closed down to save gas for homes.

WASHINGTON: A Federal Power Commission Judge Tuesday recommended a controversial Dlr. 8.5-billion pipeline system to carry natural gas from Alaska across an Arctic wildlife refuge and through Canada to the lower 48 states.

WASHINGTON: Citing strong public and congressional pressure, the comptroller of the currency said Tuesday, a group of women investors would be given another chance to open the nations first federally chartered bank for women.

WASHINGTON: The House Rule Committee voted Tuesday to revive the special panel, created last year to investigate the John Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr assassinations, but on temporary basis and with a limited budget.

OASIS, CALIFORNIA: Balloonist Karl Thomas lifted off Tuesday, in an attempt to set a half dozen hot air balloon records en route to the East coast. He was attempting to break the standing cross country of 31 days set several years ago.

NEW YORK: Two New York congressmen Tuesday announced joint hearings by their House Committees into the impact of soaring coffee price on the American consumer.

WASHINGTON: David C Jones, Air Force Chief of Staff indicated Tuesday, strategic needs may not require the full fleet of 244 B-1 Bombers, that has been projected and said a decision on the costly program could wait until the 1980s.

WASHINGTON: Treasury Secretary Michael Blumenthal said Tuesday, Americans can get their Dlr. 50 per person if Congress acts quickly.

WASHINGTON: President Carter told Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin Tuesday, he hopes to have a great relationship with Soviet leaders during his Administration.

WASHINGTON: Vice President Walter Mondale flew home from a triumphant first plunge into overseas diplomacy Tuesday and was greeted at the airport by President Carter with plaudits for an absolutely superb job.

