

Today's Crossword Puzzle

The World Almanac Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Pluck
- 5 Forbidding
- 9 TV accessory
- 12 Wash
- 13 Volcanic rock
- 14 Exclamation of triumph
- 15 Genus of maples
- 16 Pre-dinner drink
- 18 Dinner course
- 20 Future attys. exam
- 21 Language suffix
- 22 7. Roman
- 24 Phantom
- 27 Songbird
- 31 Cafe au —
- 32 Lost
- 33 Rubber tree
- 34 Ornamental vase
- 35 Lacquered metalware
- 36 Alum

- 37 —
- 39 French people
- 40 Have
- 41 Fruit spread
- 42 Firm grasp
- 45 Military establishment (2 wds.)
- 49 Creature of folklore
- 52 Camera glass
- 53 Compass pt.
- 54 Fit of anger
- 55 Ages
- 56 Signal yes
- 57 Singer Anita

Answer to Previous Puzzle

NEBULA NECTAR
 AMUSED AMERCE
 BUREAU BERATE
 ESNE NIB OPAL
 ICIER
 PSALM IDEALLY
 LETUP GLOAM
 URARI IONIC
 GENESER OPERA
 HURON
 AEON GOT AGRA
 FAMINE ACTOUT
 AVEDON ROTATE
 RENEGE YOUTHS

DOWN

- 6 Intent
- 7 — Got a Secret
- 8 Impair
- 9 Containers
- 10 Mexican shrub
- 11 Floating structure
- 17 Pelvic bones
- 19 Superlative suffix
- 22 indicator
- 23 Chemical suffix
- 24 Morose
- 25 Mata —
- 26 Pigeon sound
- 27 Highway charge
- 28 Spiritual leader
- 29 Israeli airline (2 wds.)
- 30 Cincinnati ball club
- 32 Enter (2 wds.)
- 35 Marble
- 36 Wagered
- 38 Anticipation
- 39 Needlefish
- 41 Moment (sl.)
- 42 Dancer
- 43 Verdon
- 44 Divorce capital
- 45 Angered
- 46 Communicator's "A"
- 47 Of aircraft
- 48 Impediment
- 49 Being
- 50 What person
- 51 Stringed instrument



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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Sound advice given to you by your mate today will be worthy of consideration. It's likely to be better than suggestions you'll get from a hot-shot pal who lays claim to all the answers. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make that relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It could be rather easy for you to get a favorable response from people with little clout today, but very tough getting approval from those who have the real authority.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you don't have something nice to say about another today, it's best you say nothing, especially if you're discussing a person with someone who likes this individual better than this individual likes you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't be too glib for your own good today. An associate might set up a friendly little get-together to serve as a ploy to pressure you into a commitment that may not serve your best interests.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A present arrangement which is proceeding exactly as you planned can be jeopardized today if you let people interfere who have no place in the operation. Keep kibitzers out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try to avoid making impulsive decisions today where important issues are concerned. You need time to think things over, because your first thoughts may not be your best ones.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You have adequate financial smarts today, but you also have a streak of extravagance. Don't let the latter offset that which you gain with the former.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You might have a bit of a problem getting your priorities in order today. Don't waste your efforts on the insignificant while giving only token attention to important matters.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You might not get everything you request from another today, so don't have unrealistic expectations. Try to be grateful and appreciative rather than resentful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Try to keep your curiosity within proper bounds today when conversing with a secretive friend. This individual might get angry if you get too nosy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your views and opinions might not be in harmony with your mate's today. You can't win your mate over with reasoning; getting angry won't do the trick, either.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You're not apt to be reluctant about poking a little fun at your companions today. However, when the shoe is on the other foot and they rib you, it might be a bit painful.

Rain-swollen rivers flood East, Midwest

By The Associated Press

Rain-swollen rivers that forced thousands of people from their homes in the Midwest and East receded in some areas today, but the Ohio River continued to rise in West Virginia, where schools were closed.

In Pennsylvania, a woman was killed Tuesday when she tried to cross a flood-swollen stream after the car she was riding in stalled.

Authorities said Sherry Peak, 19, was swept downstream to her death after she and four other people got out of a car that stalled on a bridge over a stream in Union Township.

The driver, Diane Hairhoger, said the group was returning from a New Year's Eve party.

"I saw just a tiny bit of water and didn't think it would be a big thing," said Hairhoger, 18. "I just kept going, but then the water started going through the car, and I started feeling my clothes get wet, and then the car died."

She said the five decided to wade back to shore as the current carried their car away, but Miss Peak, who could not swim, was swept away.

In western West Virginia's Mason County, 4,900 students were kept home from school today and many merchants closed businesses as the Ohio River continued to overflow its banks. Only four homes were evacuated, however.

The Ohio River was to crest at 8 feet above flood stage at Point Pleasant, W.Va., during the day and 2 1/2 feet above flood stage at Huntington tonight, the National Weather Service said.

"It's definitely backed up more than I've seen it in 15 years," police Lt. Rick Modesitt said of the river.

In Indiana, officials were keeping a worried watch on the southern part of the state, where waters were still rising, while surveying damage to the "It looks like the rivers in the



(AP Laserphoto)

Frank Budreau, left, and his brother Tony row their way across flooded lawns in northeast Indianapolis Tuesday.

northern part of the state are starting to recede."

More than 1,000 homes across Indiana were evacuated from Saturday through Tuesday morning, according to Alden Taylor, a

spokesman for the state Emergency Management Agency. Some people were returning home, he said.

In Ohio, waters receded and hundreds of people evacuated earlier in the week returned home Tuesday.

Rhode Island governor closes banks soon after swearing-in ceremonies

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — Newly sworn-in Gov. Bruce G. Sundlun wasted no time taking action on New Year's Day when he closed 45 Rhode Island banks and credit unions covered by a severely depleted insurance fund.

The action means customers holding \$1.7 billion in 300,000 accounts cannot withdraw their money until further notice.

"It's not a very happy New Year," depositor Arthur St. Hilaire said. "I told my wife today, if things keep like this, I'm going to buy a fireproof safe, put it in the basement, and that's where my money is going."

The surprise move came just hours after Sundlun was sworn in on the Statehouse steps. It came a day after the Rhode Island Share and Deposit Indemnity Corp. asked to be placed in financial conservatorship.

Officials for the private insurer said its reserves had been drastically depleted by depositors' demands for money from a bank that failed in October.

The state-chartered institutions, which include about three dozen credit unions, will remain closed until they secure federal depositors' insurance, Sundlun said.

"I have taken this action now as quickly as possible in order to protect depositors and taxpayers of the state of Rhode Island," Sundlun said Tuesday. "I expect we will be able to reopen some of the institutions within a very short period of time."



Bruce Sundlun

All but two of the closed institutions had applied for federal insurance before the closure.

L. William Seidman, chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., said Tuesday night that examiners from his agency had visited the privately insured Rhode Island banks for several weeks. Federal coverage will be offered only to healthy institutions, he said.

"Obviously given the problems here, there will be some institutions that will not qualify," Seidman said, adding that Rhode Island would have to decide what to do with those banks deemed too weak to merit federal insurance.

RISDIC's \$25 million reserve fund was depleted when Heritage Loan and Investment Co., a two-branch bank in Providence, was taken over in October and auditors learned \$13 million was missing.

Heritage President Joseph Molli-

cone Jr., who disappeared Nov. 8, has been charged with embezzlement.

Thirty-eight state-chartered banking institutions in Rhode Island that are insured by the FDIC and the National Credit Union Administration are not affected by the closure order and were to open today as usual.

But some of the state's largest credit unions, including Marquette Union, with \$304 million, and Rhode Island Central Credit Union, with \$222 million, were among those closed.

The state prepared for an onslaught of angry depositors today, ordering state troopers posted at each closed bank and credit union.

Angry lines of depositors had already formed at some automatic teller machines on Tuesday, where messages printed in English, Spanish and Portuguese told them they could not withdraw their money.

"My whole paycheck is in there and we haven't paid any bills this month, so it's a bit nerve wracking," said depositor Sally Cameron.

Former Gov. Edward D. DiPrete, a Republican who lost to Democrat Sundlun in last year's election, was caught by surprise by the closure, said DiPrete's spokeswoman, May Kernen.

She said officials of the old administration had left Sundlun with a plan that called for less drastic measures. But Sundlun said Monday's move by the RISDIC to seek conservatorship left him with no choice but to close the banks.

Wisconsin begins nation's strictest recycling law

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — The strictest statewide recycling law in the nation took effect New Year's Day, but Wisconsin residents needn't worry, there will be no trash police to haul violators away.

It's a law authorities hope nobody would want to break.

"In Wisconsin, we're going to have voluntary recycling," said Rep. Spencer Black, D-Madison, co-author of the law. "If we had to enforce the recycling law the way we enforce the speed limit, we won't have recycling."

Black said skeptics who think mandatory recycling without enforcement won't work should look at the compliance rates of the estimated 100 communities where recycling began before the law took effect.

"They've relied on cooperation from the public, which has been very good," he said.

Wisconsin and Maine now have the nation's toughest trash recycling laws.

Maine's decade-old returnable bottle law was expanded last fall to include all non-dairy beverage containers, including juice boxes, liquor bottles and soup and medicine containers.

Wisconsin's law is even more sweeping. It will be implemented in three phases and by 1995 will ban newspapers, plastic containers, glass containers, aluminum and steel cans, grass clippings, leaves, used motor oil, and household appliances from landfills.

"That is something we don't see with other states. Wisconsin is really leading the way on this," said David Loveland, executive director of the National Recycling Coalition in Washington.

"Wisconsin is on the front lines in terms of enacting along comprehensive lines and in putting together in one succinct package widespread recycling," Loveland said.

The first phase of Wisconsin's law banned used motor oil, old household appliances and lead-acid car batteries from landfills as of the first of the year.

In many communities, officials have arranged special pickups for waste oil and appliances. The law also requires stores that sell car batteries to accept and recycle old batteries even if they weren't purchased there.

Yard wastes such as grass clippings and leaves will be banned from landfills in 1993 and newspapers, glass, plastic, aluminum and steel cans will be banned in 1995.

The law aims to reduce the 6.5 million tons of trash that Wisconsin generates each year and to find uses for the estimated \$100 million in recyclable materials that unnecessarily go into landfills annually.

Although the law sets fines of \$50 to \$2,000 for illegal dumping, officials say they'll rarely invoke penalties, hoping education and environmental goodwill make them unnecessary.

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