

# Cold Idles Thousands;

By Associated Press

Subzero temperatures and natural gas shortages in the East, Midwest and South forced hundreds of thousands of school children and workers to stay home today. Businesses were closed in many areas, and officials in several states predicted tens of thousands more layoffs.

In Florida this morning, it snowed as far south as Boca Raton, the farthest south that snow has been reported in Florida since the weather bureau began keeping records in the late 1800s.

"It's like the world is ending," joked a housewife in Davie, about five miles west of Fort Lauderdale, where there were light snow flurries.

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## Glenbrook Housewife Is Raped

A 25-year-old Glenbrook area housewife was raped early today by a man police think is the so-called east area rapist believed responsible for 10 attacks in the past year.

Police Sgt. Ray Bryers said the man forced his way into the woman's home shortly before 4 a.m., raped her and then stole her car to make his escape.

The victim's husband was not at home at the time.

Byers said the man was armed, wore a mask and tied the woman up before raping her. The attack was similar to others by a man authorities call the east area rapist, who is suspected of raping eight women and attempting to rape two others over the past year.

"We are looking hard at the possibility it is the same man," said Bryers.

He said police are searching for the woman's car, described as a 1970 Chevrolet Malibu, white with a black roof, two-door sedan, license plate number 938 BGK.

The rapist has been described as white between 5 feet, 8 inches tall and 5 feet tall, 25 to 35 years of age, clean with dark, neatly cut hair and a medium build.

## Death Penalty Bill Initiative Drive A

By LEE FREMSTAD  
Capitol Bureau Chief

A new death penalty bill drafted to conform to the latest rulings of the U.S. and California Supreme Courts was introduced today with strong backing from law enforcement agencies and district attorneys.

Further, Sen. George Deukmejian, R-Long Beach, one of its main authors, pledged a voter initiative campaign if the legislature could not override a veto by Gov. Brown.

In his State of the State address earlier this month, the governor advised lawmakers that because of his opposition to capital punishment he would return unsigned — in other words vetoed — any legislation that gets to his desk.

The proposed law would create a three-phase trial in homicide cases. In the first phase the jury would determine whether the defendant is guilty of first degree murder, involving premeditation.

The second phase would determine whether there were special circumstances, such as the murder of a peace officer or mass murders.

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