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FLOOD OF JUNE 1972
GENESEE RIVER AT PORTAGEVILLE, NEW YORK

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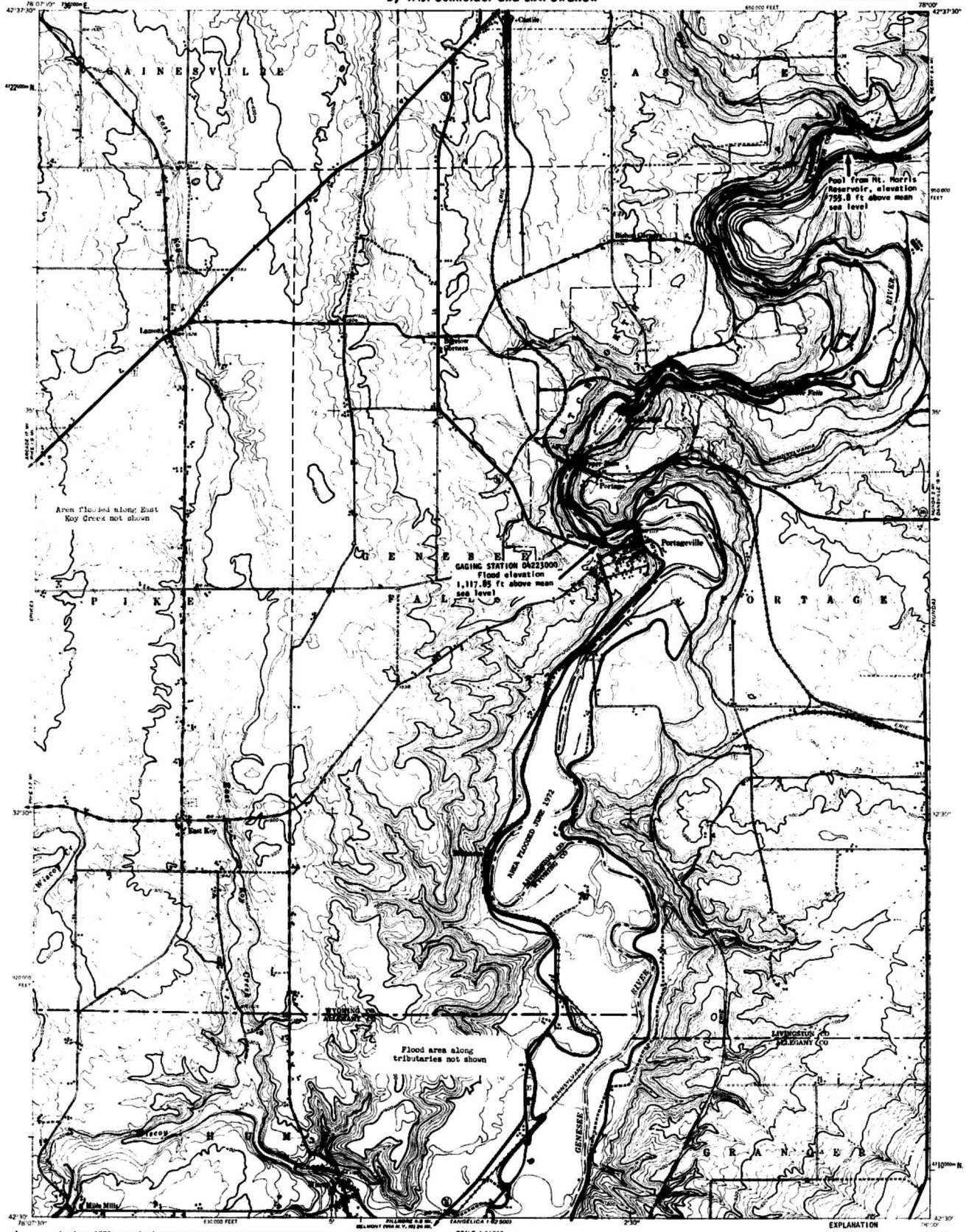
PORTAGEVILLE QUADRANGLE
NEW YORK
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
SE/4 PORTAGE 15' QUADRANGLE



In June 1972, tropical storm Agnes caused severe flooding in Pennsylvania and southern New York. The flood, on many major streams were the highest known since the river valleys were settled. Maximum discharges were as much as two the discharge of a 50-year flood. In southern New York, large areas in Corning, Elmira, Wellsville, Salamanca, and in many smaller communities were inundated to depths of several feet. Levels of all of the Finger Lakes were higher than any previously recorded, and extensive flooding of lakeside properties resulted.

The extent of flooding shown on the map was delineated by the U.S. Geological Survey from aerial photography and limited field surveys.

The investigation was conducted in cooperation with the State of New York and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

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CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

1972

OPEN-FILE MAP

EXPLANATION

Boundary of June 1972 flood

Flood boundaries delineated from aerial photography and field surveys.

PORTAGEVILLE, N. Y.

Base by U. S. Geological Survey
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