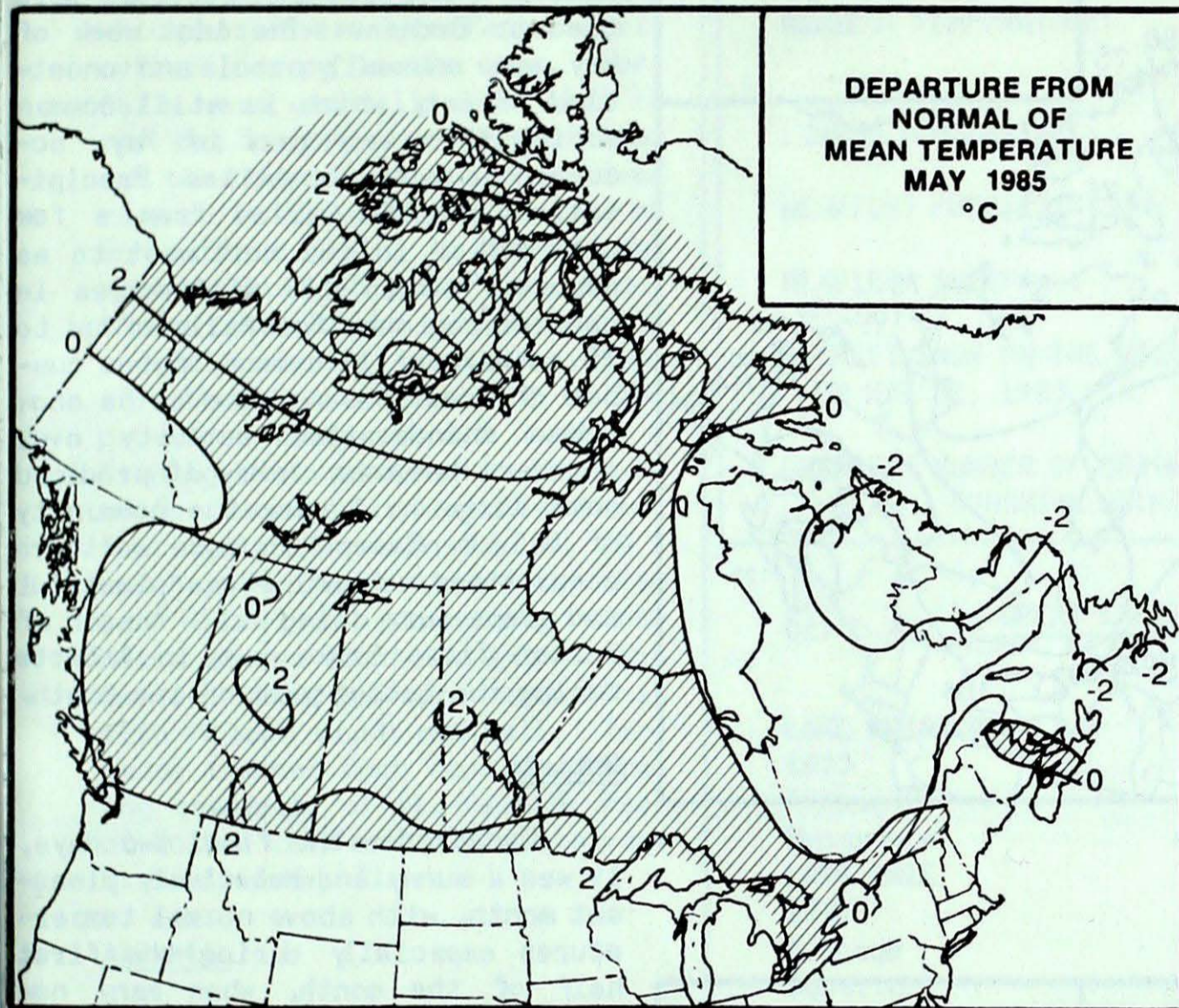


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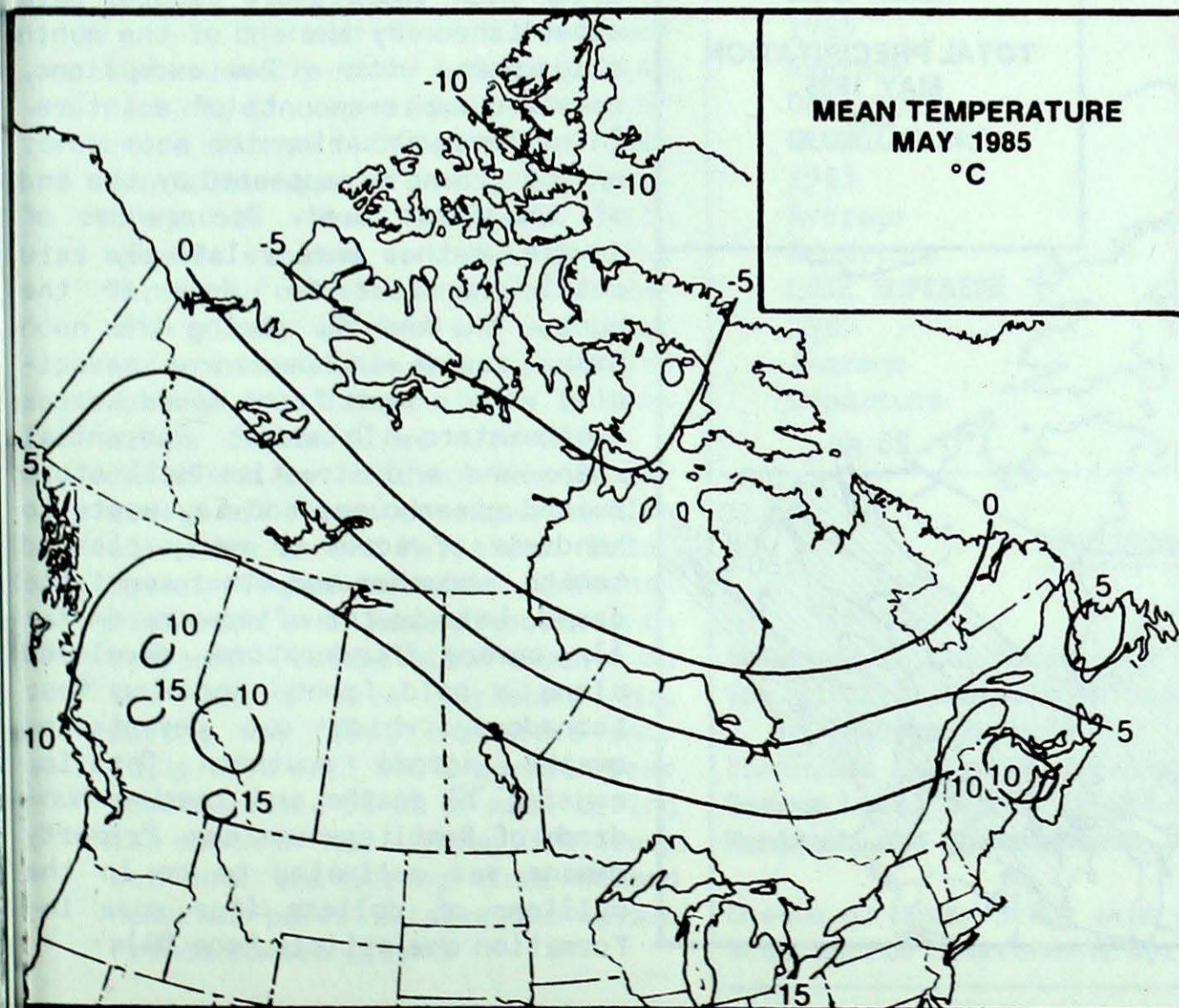
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ACROSS THE COUNTRY

Yukon and Northwest Territories

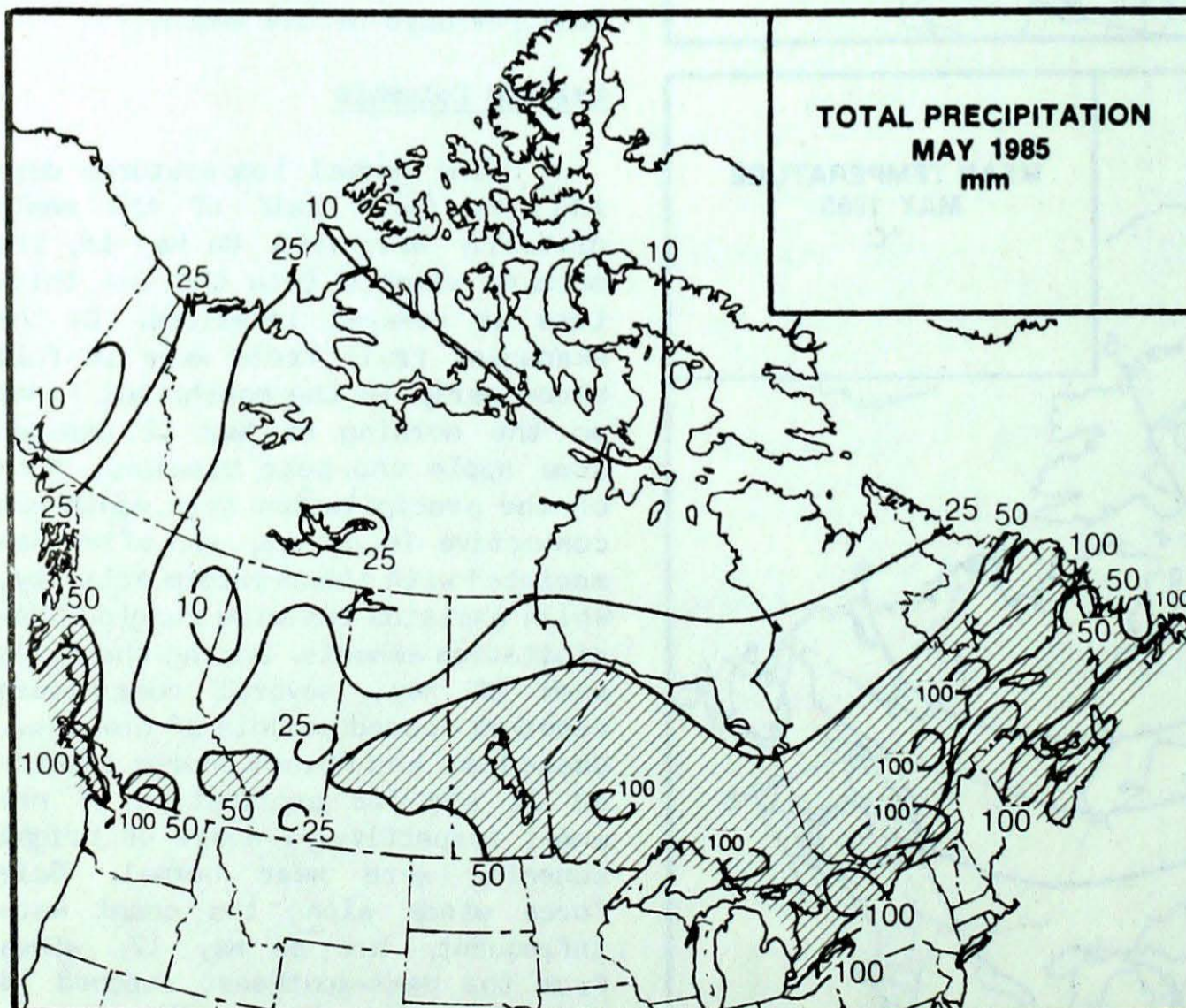
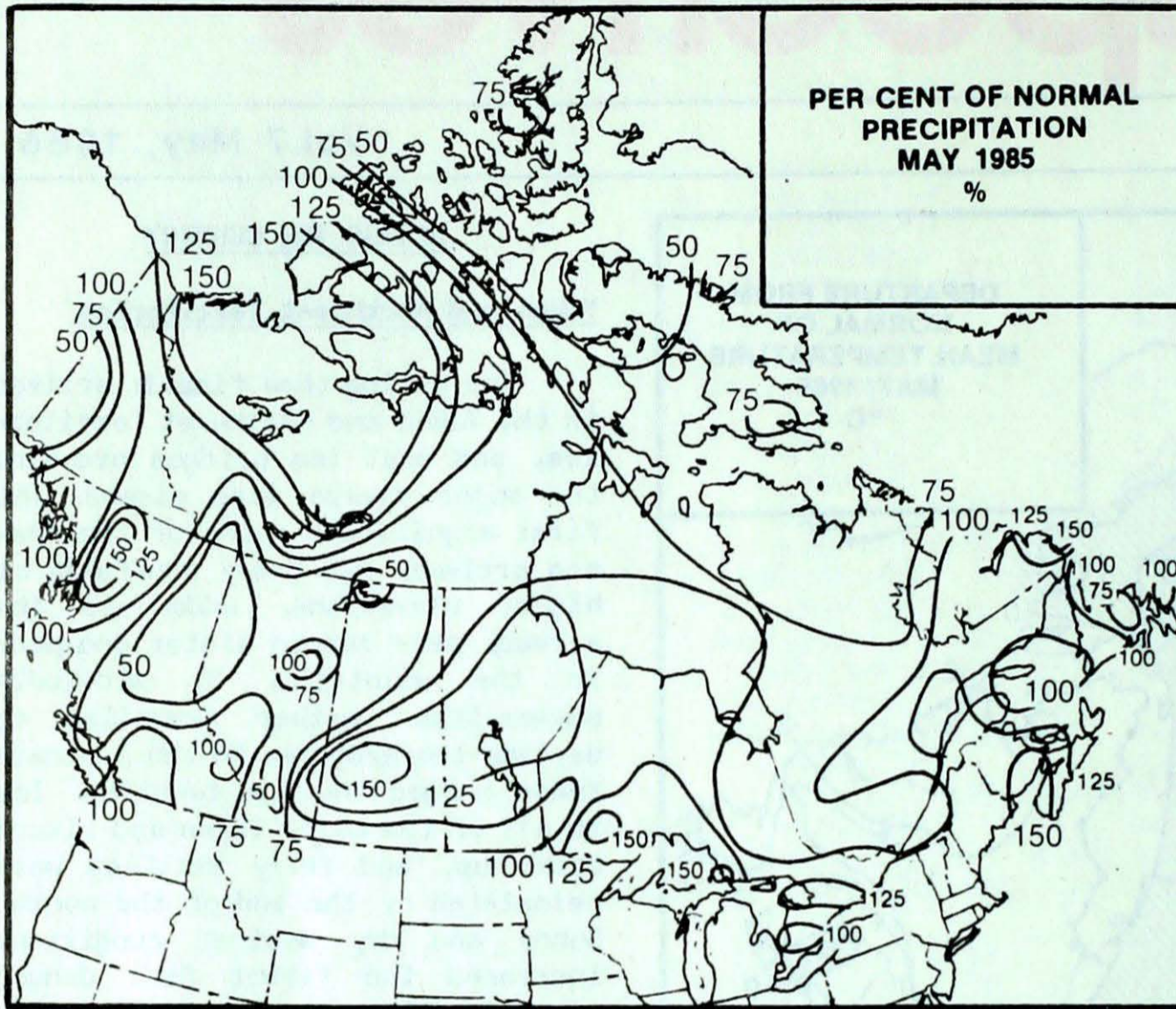
The spring thaw finally arrived in the Yukon and Northwest Territories, and most ice bridges crossing the major rivers were closed. The first significant rains of the season arrived, but heavy snowfalls at higher elevations, added to the already near record winter snowpack in the mountains. By mid-month summer-like weather prevailed as daytime temperatures in the southern Yukon nudged the low twenties. Ice in all of the major lakes and rivers broke up, and ferry services were reinstated by the end of the month. Sunny and dry weather conditions increased the forest fire danger significantly. At the end of the month two major fires were burning near the Yukon-B.C. border. Many maximum temperature records were broken in the southern Arctic the last few days of the month.



British Columbia

Below normal temperatures during the first half of the month gradually moderated. On May 16, the mercury climbed into the low thirties at several locations. In the Okanagan, fruit trees were in full bloom early in the month, but frost on the morning of May 12 damaged some apple and pear blossoms. Much of the precipitation this month was convective in nature, and often associated with thunderstorm activity, which explains the wide ranging precipitation amounts. During the first week of May, several communities received record amounts of new snow. Dease Lake and Prince George recorded 22 and 3.2 centimetres of new snow, respectively. Hours of bright sunshine were near normal. Gale force winds along the coast were infrequent, but on May 12, winds from the east-southeast reached 98 km/h with gusts 117 km/h off the north coast of Vancouver Island.

PRECIPITATION



Prairies

Temperatures were on the mild side, with daytime readings generally climbing into the mid-twenties, and reaching as high as the low thirties in Alberta. During the early and middle of the month daily maximum temperature records were tied or broken. The last week of May was unusually cool and unsettled. Frost, which is still common during the early part of May, occurred in most localities. Precipitation amounts varied from a few millimetres in the northwest to as much as 60 to 110 millimetres in central regions. Snowfalls of up to 10 cm were still common, but a number of locations managed to be snow free. Thunderstorm activity over southern Manitoba on May 10 produced some large hail near the community of Baldu. Except in more northern communities, sunshine was plentiful and crops were doing well. A rash of forest fires broke out in Alberta during the latter part of the month.

Ontario

Except for the final two days, it was a sunny and relatively pleasant month, with above normal temperatures especially during the first half of the month, when many new daily high temperature records were established. By the end of the month all areas, with a few exceptions, received ample amounts of moisture. In northern Ontario, the snow cover on the ground disappeared by the end of the first week. Occurrences of severe weather were relatively rare until the last two days of the month. On May 30, during the noon hour, severe thunderstorms associated with a warm front moved across southwestern Ontario. Torrential rains and a destructive hail storm ruined greenhouses and lay waste to hundreds of acres of newly planted tomato, cucumber and other vegetable crops. Late in the afternoon, on May 31, severe thunderstorms developed along a cold front, spawning four tornadoes, which cut devastating swaths across southern Ontario, causing 12 deaths and leaving hundreds of families homeless. Property damage was estimated to be in the millions of dollars (for more information see article Page 8B).

Quebec

May was an unusually cold month over a large portion of the province. Heaviest precipitation, fell in the central districts. The Trois-Rivières district experienced a distinct moisture deficit, which has adversely affected agricultural crops in the area. Snowfalls were generally less than 10 cm, but parts of central Québec and the Lower North Shore received as much as 20 to 30 centimetres of snow. Blanc Sablon in the extreme east tallied 45 cm of new snow, three times their normal monthly snowfall. Several weather systems affected the southern half of the province. Early in the month, a fishing boat capsized in the Gulf of St. Lawrence; three fishermen lost their lives. On May 13, 20 and May 31 thunderstorms associated with hail and strong winds moved across southern Québec. The Eastern Townships were hardest hit with 90 km/h winds and hail. Tornadoes touched down near the farming community of St.-Raphaël east of Quebec City and St.-Canute near Mirabel on May 31.

Atlantic

In the Maritimes it was wet and unusually snowy bringing to an end eight consecutive months of below normal precipitation. May snowfalls were of record proportions at five locations with amounts ranging up to 33 cm. The first half of the month was stormy with plenty of rain and snow, but more seasonal weather prevailed during the latter half of the month. Stream flows were still deficient in northern New Brunswick, but near or above median elsewhere in the Maritimes. Below normal temperatures in Newfoundland were even more pronounced in Labrador. Precipitation amounts on the Island were variable, but during the first two weeks snowfalls were well above normal. Deer Lake received 50 cm of snow during the month of May. On May 3-4 heavy wet snow and strong winds caused numerous power outages throughout Prince Edward Island.

CLIMATIC EXTREMES IN CANADA - MAY 1985

MEAN TEMPERATURE:

WARMEST	Windsor, ONT	16.4°
COLDEST	Alert, NWT	-13.2°

HIGHEST TEMPERATURE:

Lytton, BC	33.0°
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LOWEST TEMPERATURE:

Eureka, NWT	-44.6°
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HEAVIEST PRECIPITATION:

Hope, BC	370.6 mm
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HEAVIEST SNOWFALL:

St. Anthony, NFLD	78.3 cm
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DEEPEST SNOW ON THE GROUND
ON MAY 31, 1985:

St. Anthony, NFLD	102 cm
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GREATEST NUMBER OF BRIGHT
SUNSHINE HOURS:

Clyde, NWT	444 hrs
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GREAT LAKES SURFACE WATER TEMPERATURES

	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.
LAKE ONTARIO				
1985	2.2	0.6	1.2	1.7
Average	1.7	0.9	1.4	2.7
Departure	+0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-1.0
LAKE ERIE				
1985	1.6	0.0	0.6	3.7
Average	0.8	0.1	0.9	3.4
Departure	+0.8	-0.1	-0.3	+0.3
LAKE HURON				
1985	2.0	0.3	0.4	1.4
Average	1.7	0.4	0.4	1.8
Departure	+0.3	-0.1	0.0	-0.4
GEORGIAN BAY				
1985	2.0	0.1	0.0	0.8
Average	1.3	0.0	0.0	1.0
Departure	+0.7	+0.1	0.0	-0.2
LAKE SUPERIOR				
1985	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.8
Average	1.0	0.0	0.2	1.2
Departure	+0.1	+0.2	0.0	-0.4

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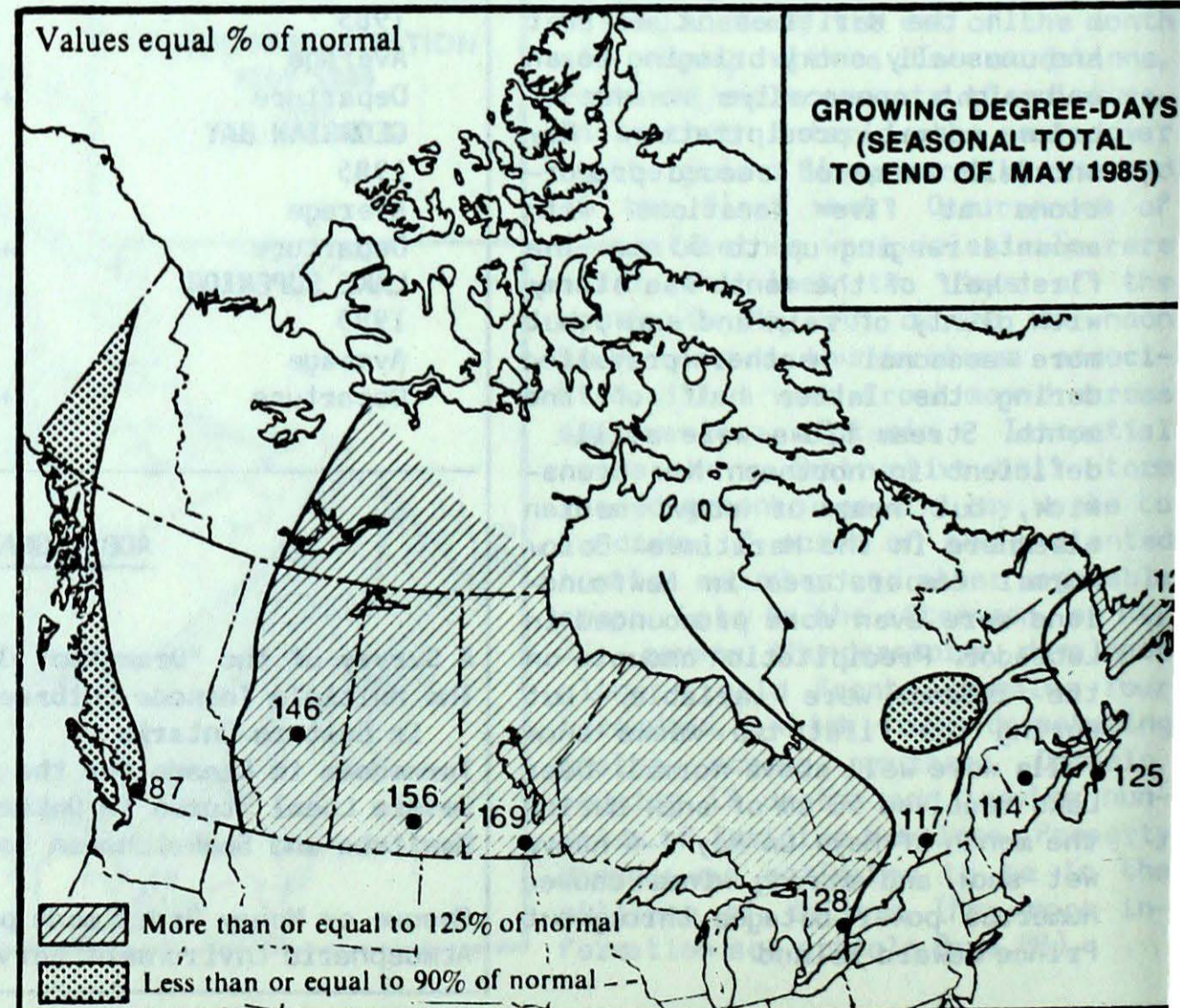
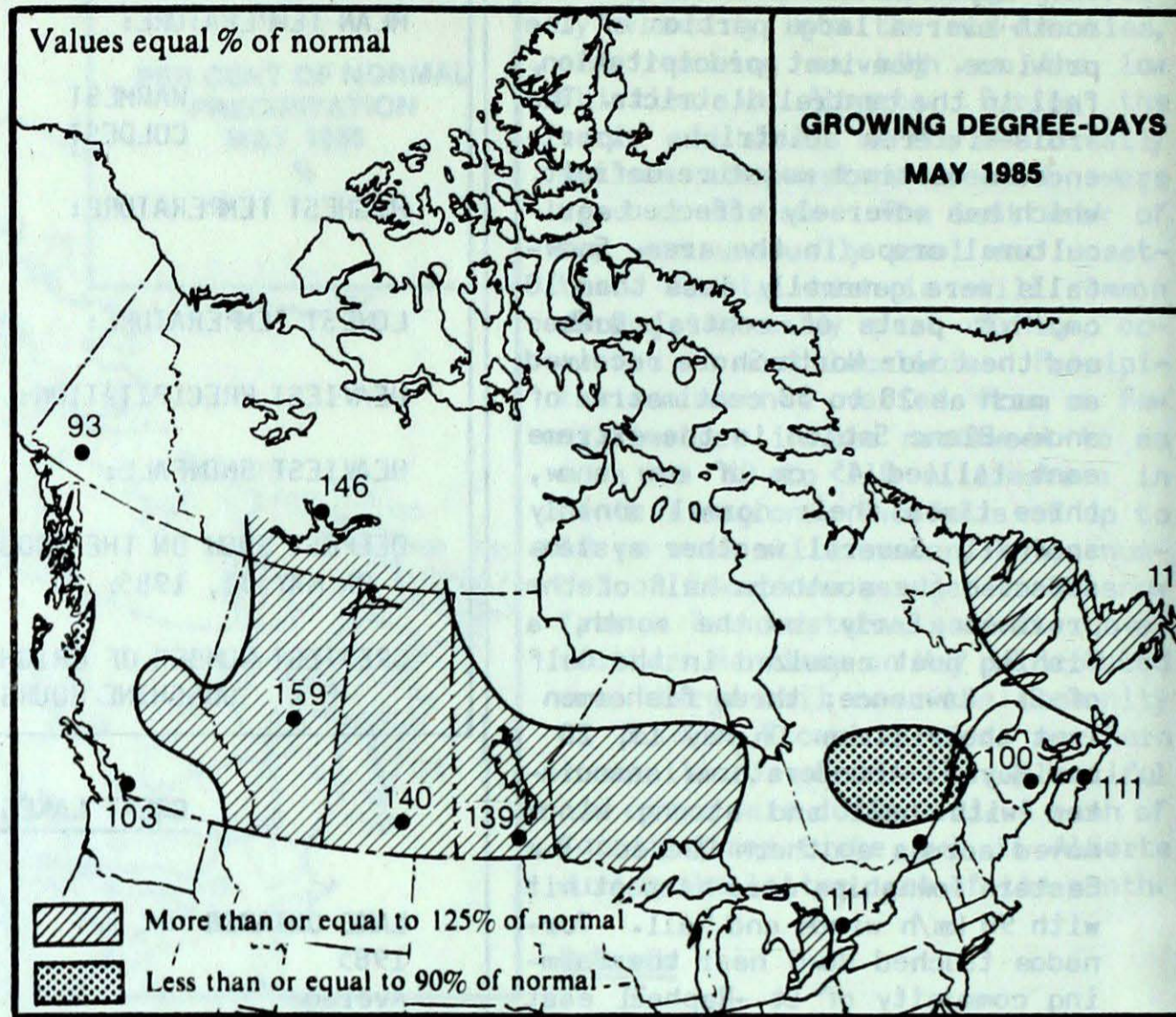
GROWING DEGREES

SEASONAL TOTAL OF GROWING

DEGREE-DAYS TO END OF MAY

	1985	1984	NORMAL
BRITISH COLUMBIA			
Abbotsford	322	378	334
Kamloops	392	375	404
Penticton	370	321	371
Prince George	174	87	152
Vancouver	315	431	363
Victoria	289	372	332
ALBERTA			
Calgary	211	116	145
Edmonton Mun.	257	226	169
Grande Prairie	189	104	167
Lethbridge	305	174	209
Peace River	195	116	151
SASKATCHEWAN			
Estevan	354	193	218
Prince Albert	245	135	163
Regina	321	178	198
Saskatoon	298	180	197
Swift Current	309	166	191
MANITOBA			
Brandon	306	157	186
Churchill	00	25	00
The Pas	198	101	122
Winnipeg	347	169	199
ONTARIO			
London	435	261	288
Muskoka	276	214	210
North Bay	253	190	188
Ottawa	346	270	284
Thunder Bay	193	164	120
Toronto	366	241	286
Trenton	348	240	284
Windsor	555	338	382
QUÉBEC			
Baie Comeau	50	51	67
Maniwaki	242	194	197
Montréal	326	293	276
Quebec	208	206	188
Sept-Iles	40	40	34
Sherbrooke	241	179	225
NEW BRUNSWICK			
Charlo	117	122	119
Fredericton	215	210	189
Moncton	160	175	142
NOVA SCOTIA			
Halifax	166	157	131
Sydney	90	135	64
Yarmouth	165	157	151
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
Charlottetown	117	164	96
NEWFOUNDLAND			
Gander	64	129	50
St. John's	34	110	28
Stephenville	69	176	63

GROWING DEGREE DAYS

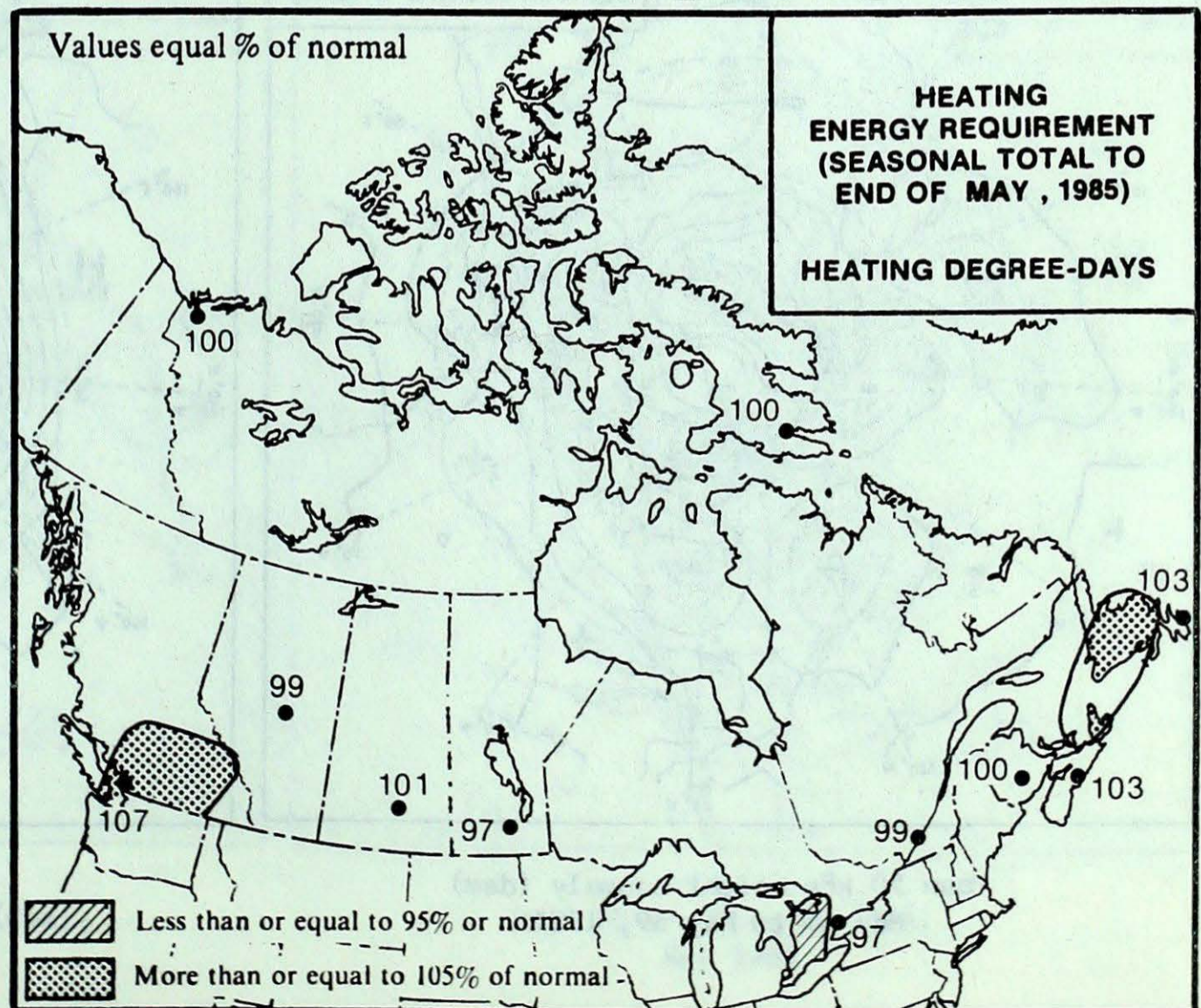
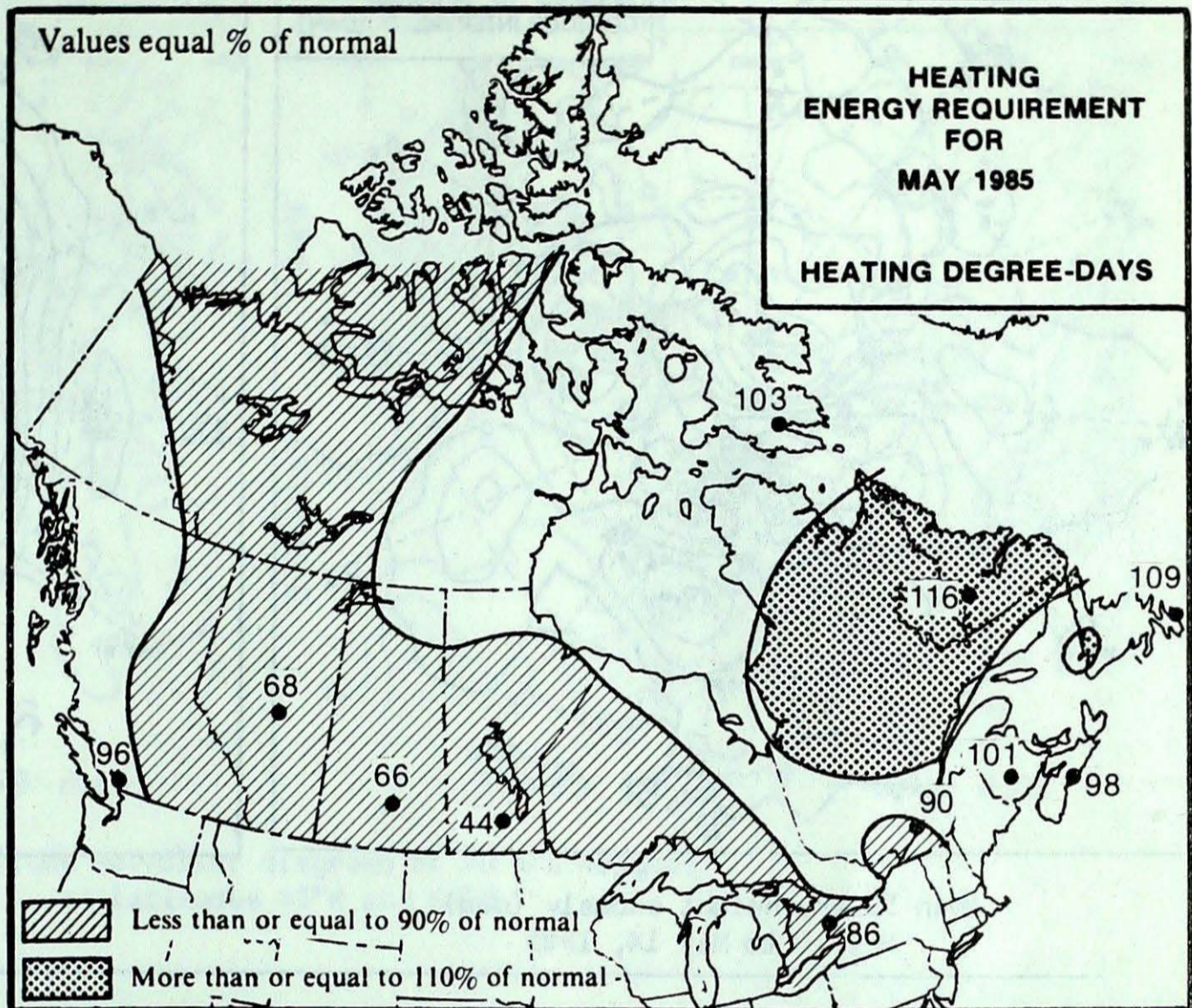


SEASONAL TOTAL OF HEATING

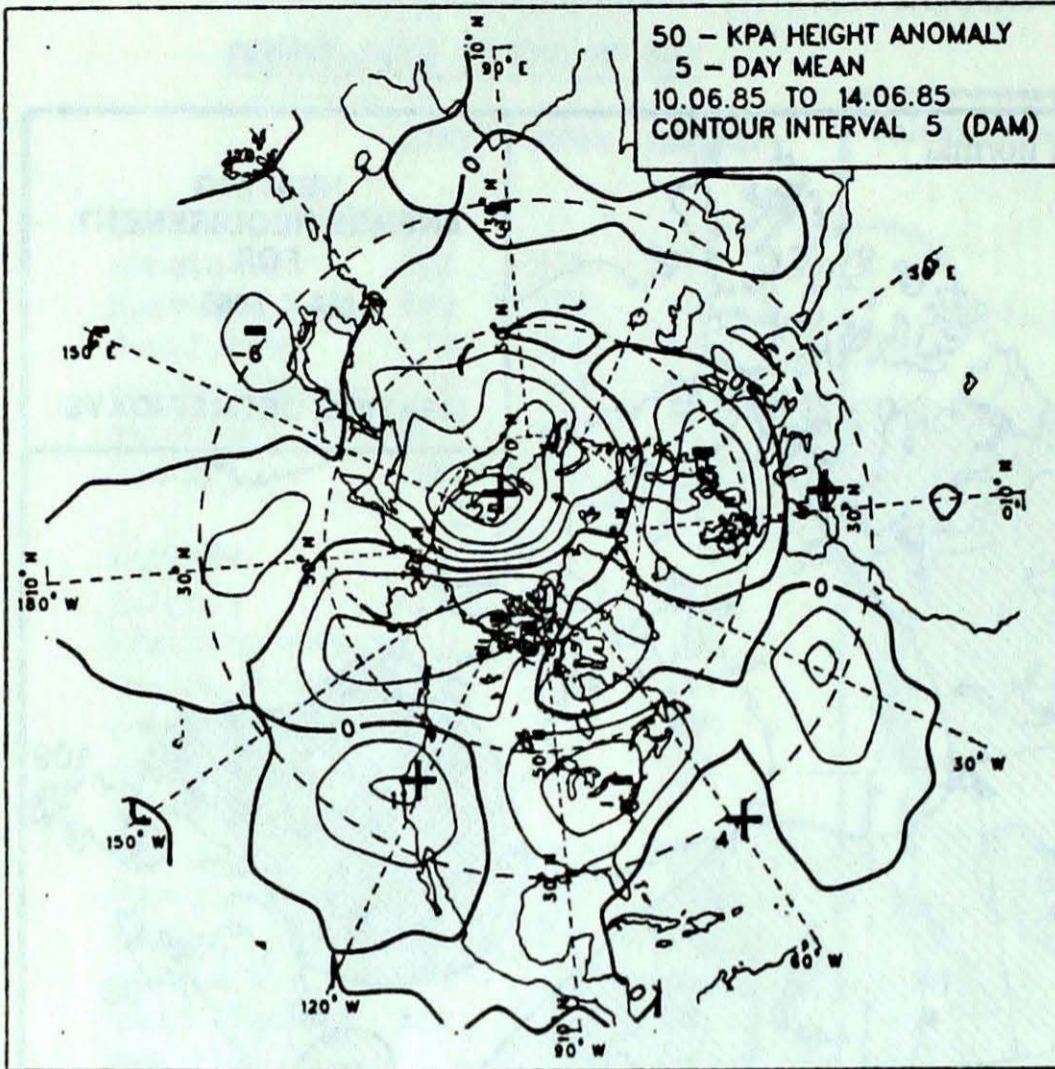
DEGREE-DAYS TO END OF MAY

	1985	1984	NORMAL
YUKON TERRITORY			
Whitehorse	6659	6420	7760
NORTHWEST TERRITORIES			
Frobisher Bay	9472	10263	9492
Inuvik	9952	9885	9938
Yellowknife	8603	7690	8402
BRITISH COLUMBIA			
Kamloops	3918	3645	3726
Penticton	3783	3472	3472
Prince George	5337	4922	5240
Vancouver	3150	2874	2930
Victoria	3227	2945	2978
ALBERTA			
Calgary	5150	4932	5221
Edmonton Namao	6095	4899	5821
Grande Prairie	6099	5420	5990
SASKATCHEWAN			
Estevan	5298	5093	5468
Regina	5784	5382	5847
Saskatoon	5990	5410	5886
MANITOBA			
Brandon	6230	5491	6265
Churchill	8774	8281	8879
The Pas	6591	6047	6711
Winnipeg	5643	5528	5816
ONTARIO			
Kapuskasing	6168	6163	6263
London	3788	4200	4024
Ottawa	4499	4630	4636
Sudbury	5184	5307	5350
Thunder Bay	5396	5454	5607
Toronto	3889	4275	4003
Windsor	3346	3790	3551
QUÉBEC			
Baie Comeau	5866	5860	5813
Montréal	4438	4532	4474
Quebec	5021	5031	5016
Sept-Îles	6036	6067	5963
Sherbrooke	4997	5818	5150
Val-d'Or	6088	5972	6061
NEW BRUNSWICK			
Charlo	5286	5080	5348
Fredericton	4631	4562	4620
Moncton	4646	4570	4621
NOVA SCOTIA			
Halifax	4124	3904	4021
Sydney	4575	4245	4300
Yarmouth	3866	3753	3895
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
Charlottetown	4713	4352	4497
NEWFOUNDLAND			
Gander	5170	4996	4879
St. John's	4780	4490	4624

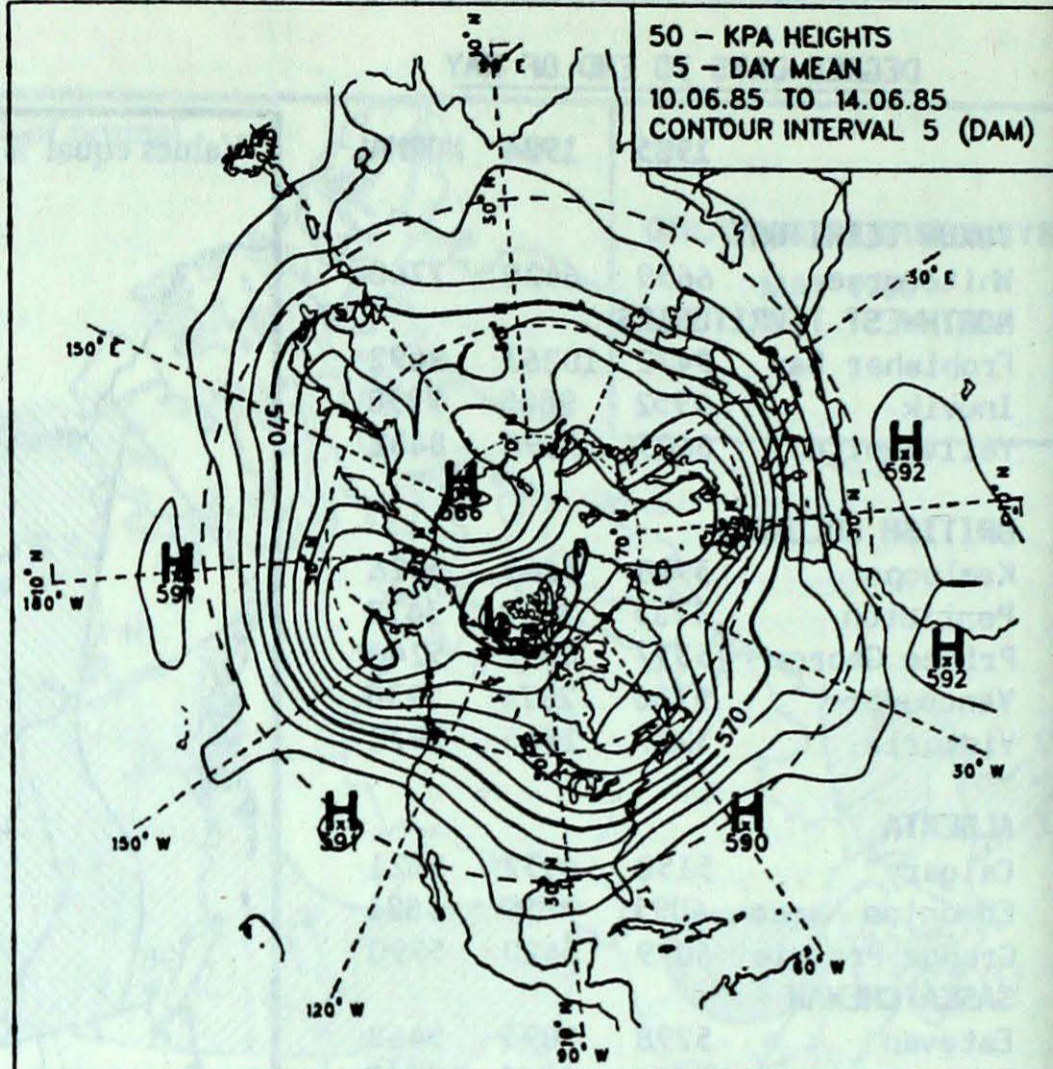
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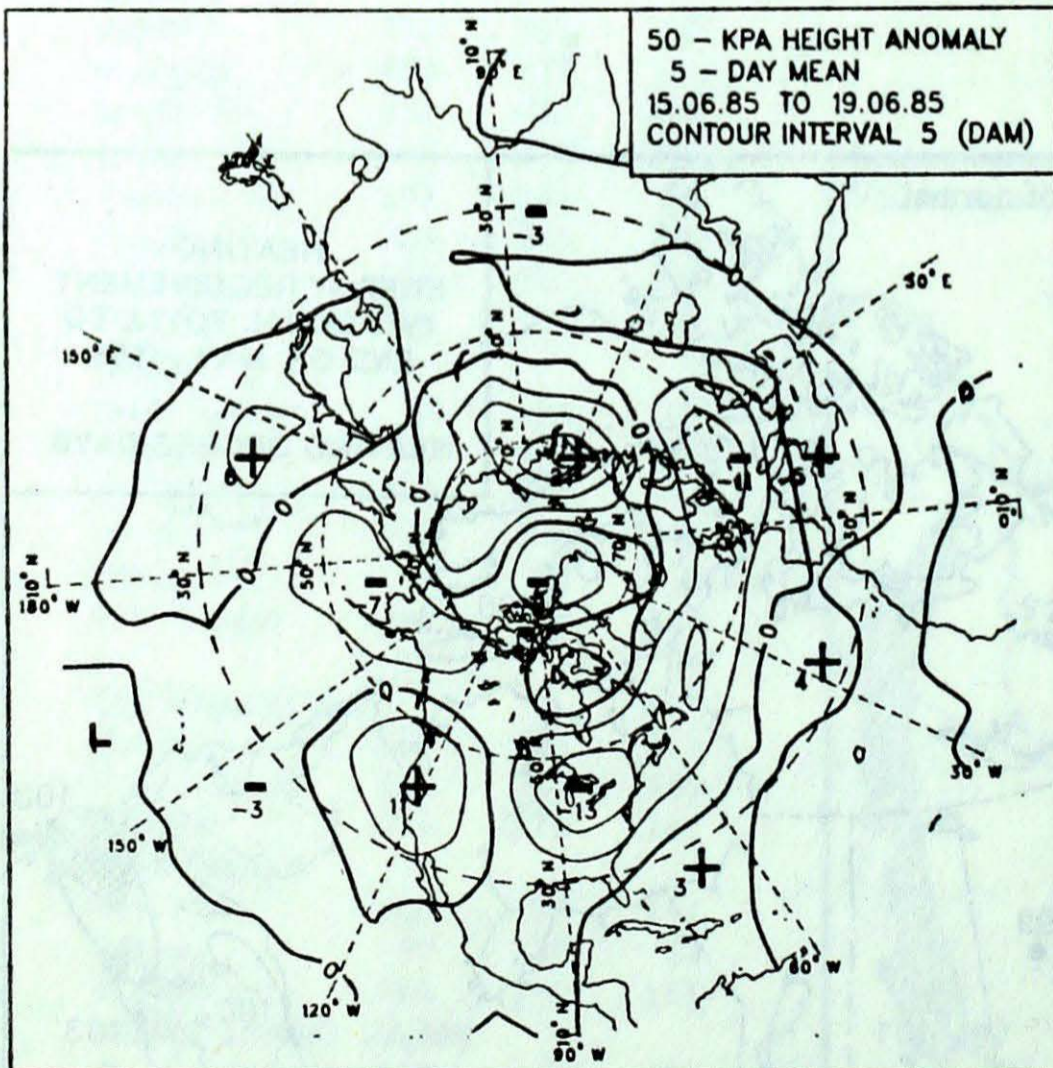
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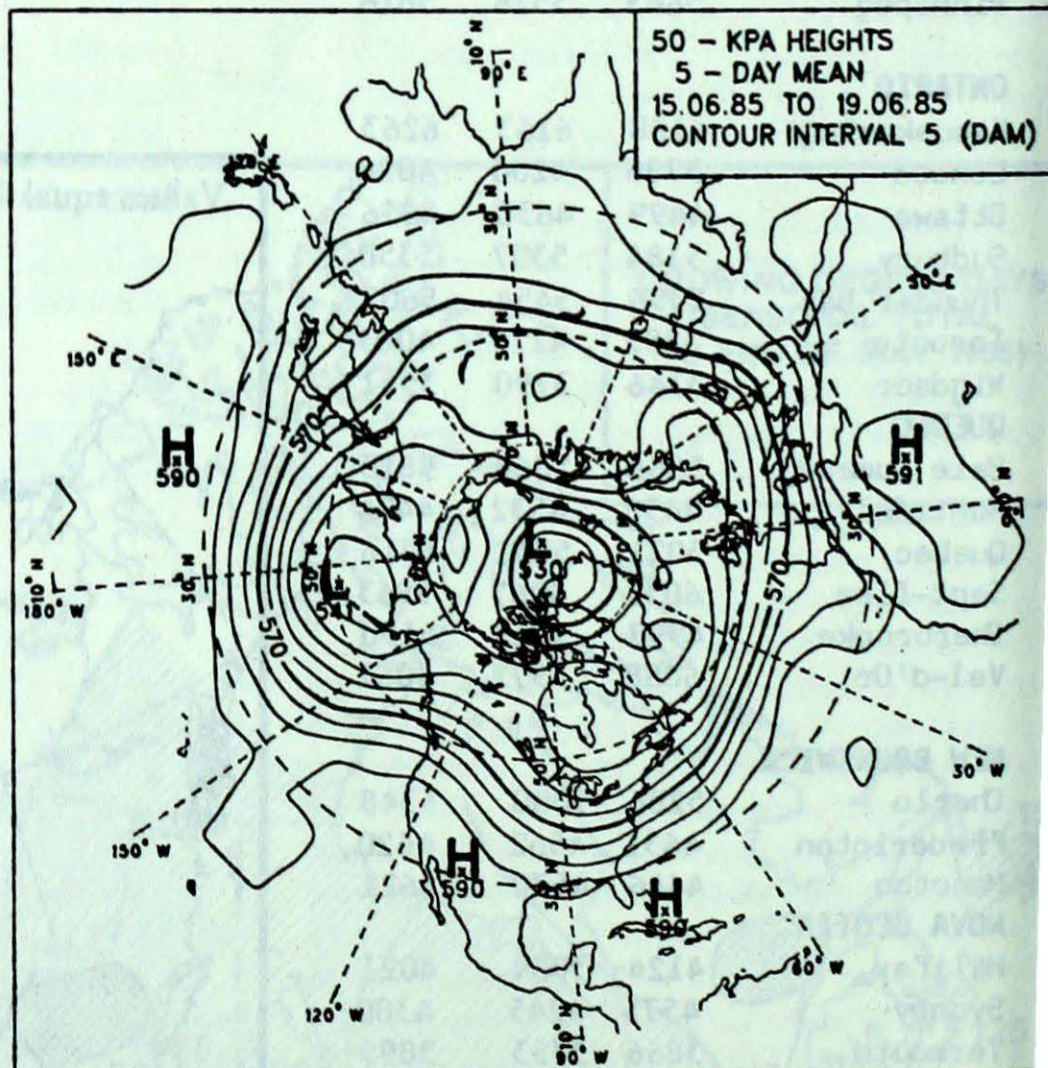
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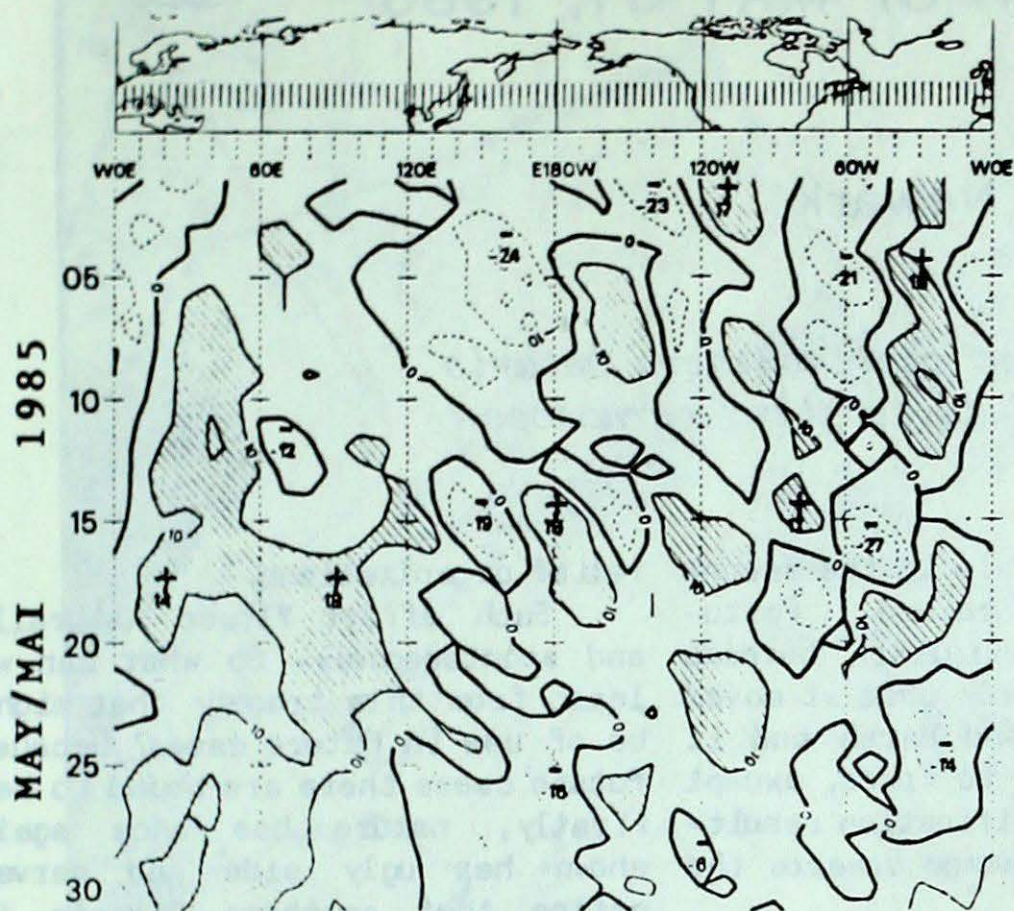


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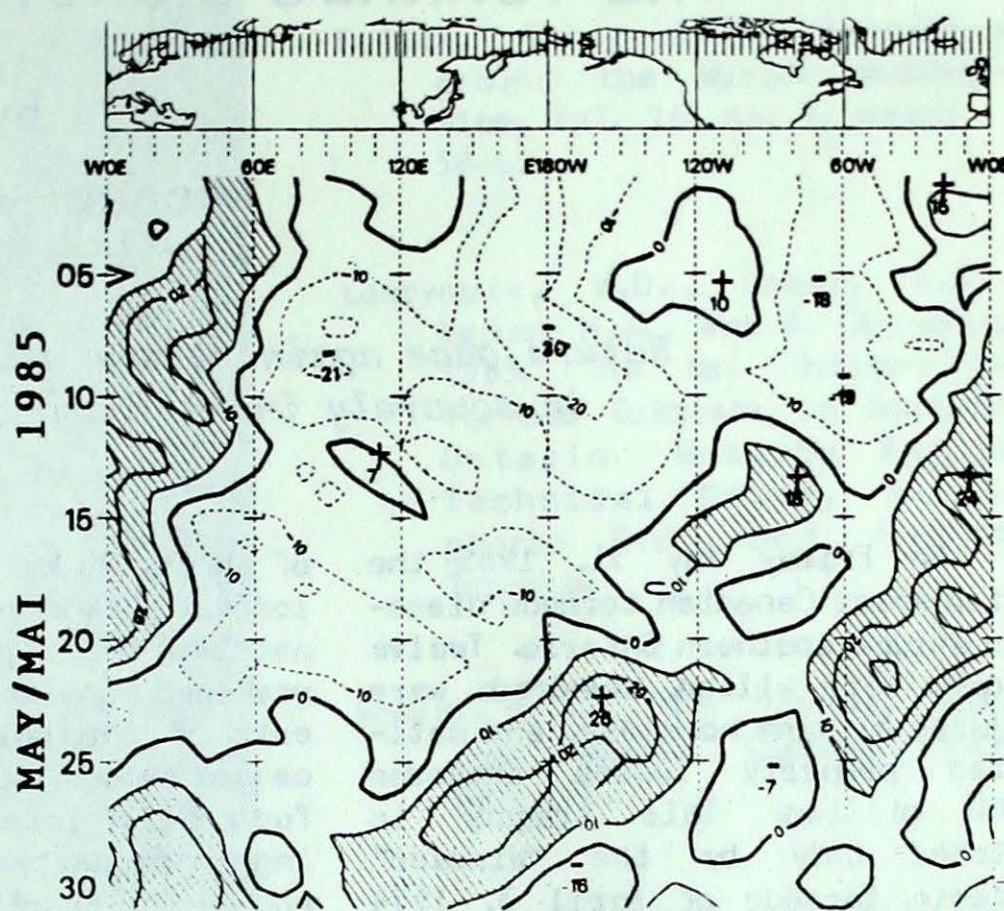


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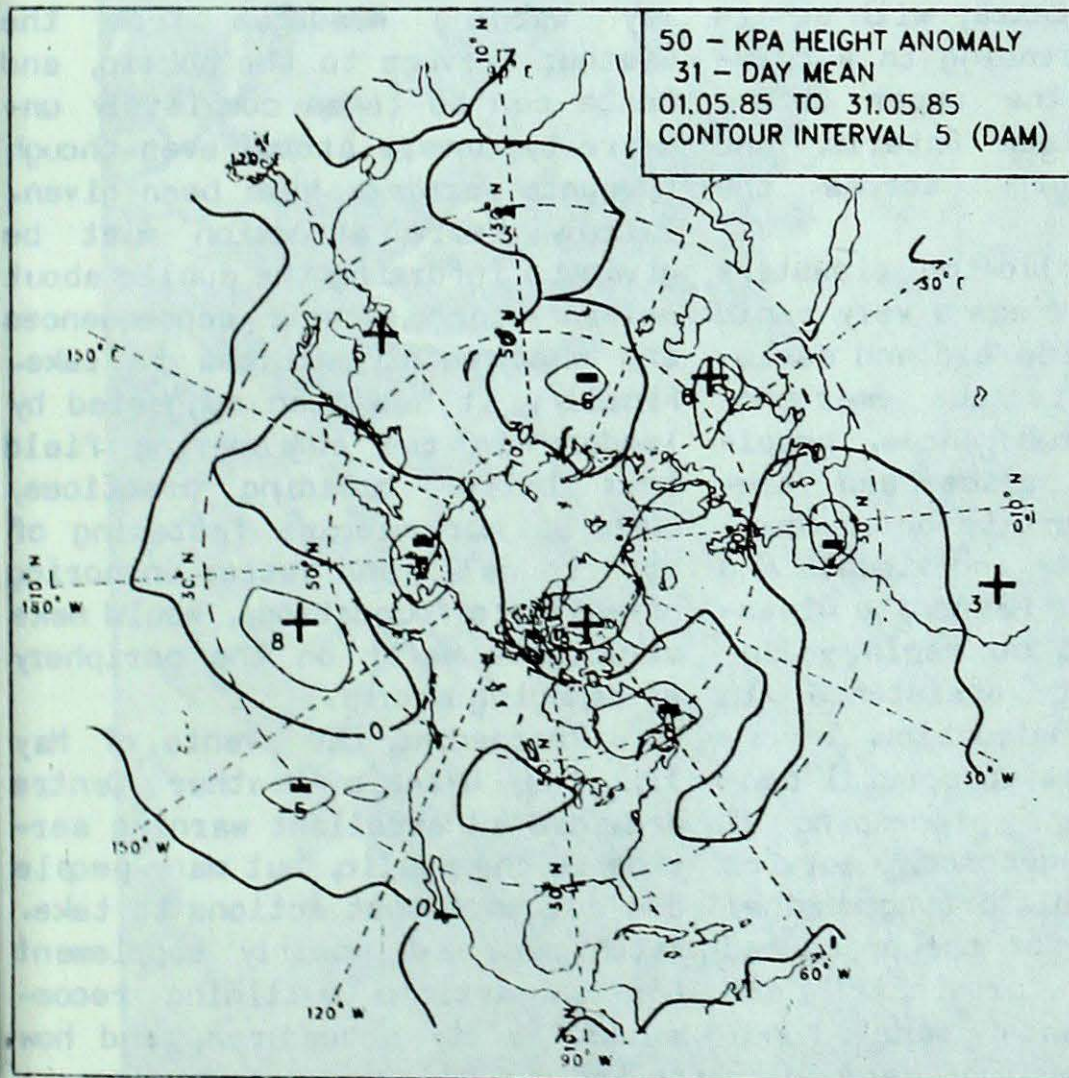


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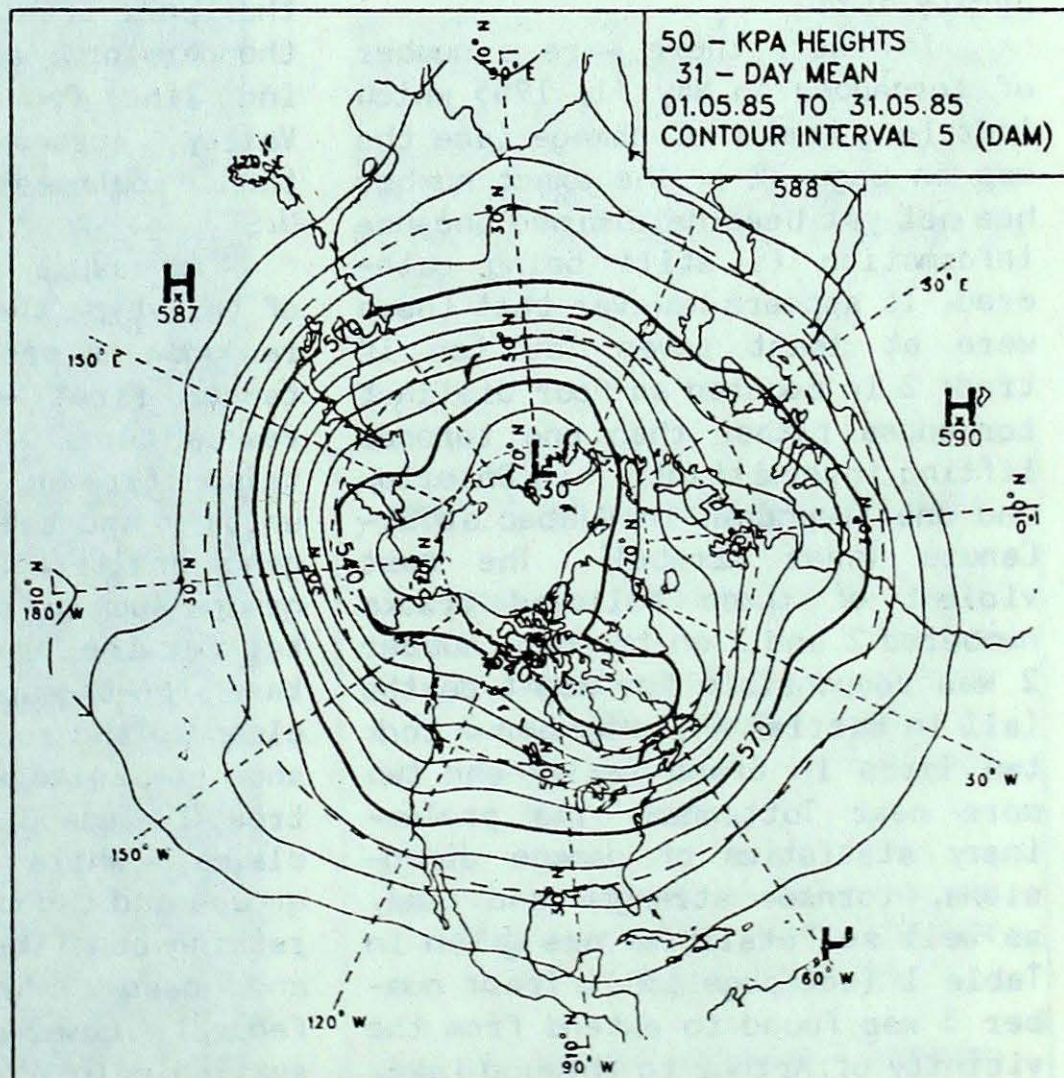


50kPa 65°N $\bar{z} = 540$ dam

Time-longitude Hovmöller diagrams of 50 kPa heights
at latitudes 45°N and 65°N



Mean 50 kPa height anomaly (dam)
May 1985



Mean 50 kPa heights (dam)
May 1985

THE TORNADO DISASTER OF MAY 31, 1985

by

Michael J. Newark

Nature once again serves notice that southern Ontario is squarely in the path of devastating tornadoes

On Friday May 31, 1985 the third worst Canadian tornado disaster struck southern Ontario. Twelve people were killed, hundreds were injured or made homeless, and estimated property losses exceeded \$100 million. This tragedy is matched only by the "Windsor" Ontario tornado of April 3, 1974 which killed 9 people, and by the St. Zotique to Valleyfield, Québec tornado of August 16, 1888 which took 9 (possibly as many as 11) lives. Only two other tornadoes in Canadian history have been worse, namely the "Windsor" Ontario tornado of June 17, 1946 which killed 17, and the "Regina" Saskatchewan tornado of June 30, 1912 in which 28 people died.

In fact, there were a number of tornadoes on May 31, 1985 which left long trails of damage (see the map on page 12B). The exact number has not yet been determined because information is still being gathered. It appears however that there were at least seven (or ten if track 2 is counted as four distinct tornadoes rather than one tornado lifting intermittently) in Ontario, and one touchdown in Quebec at St-Canute (near Mirabel). The most violent of these followed tracks numbered 2 and 3 on the map. Number 2 was responsible for eight deaths (all in Barrie) while number 3 took two lives in Grand Valley and two more near Tottenham. The preliminary statistics of damage dimensions, tornado strength and time, as well as fatalities are given in Table 1 (see page 13B). Track number 3 was found to extend from the vicinity of Arthur to Chemung Lake, north of Peterborough, a distance

of about 190 km. This is the second longest track on record. Fortunately this particular tornado weakened considerably once it moved east of the Holland Marsh and it caused damage only to trees, except for a brief intensification resulting in property damage towards the end of the track.

The events of May 31, 1985 were part of an international tornado outbreak in which more than 80 people were also killed in the United States south of the Lower Great Lakes. The NOAA 6 satellite image of 1905 GMT (see page 9B) clearly illustrates how these events were all part and parcel of a large storm system centred over the Upper Great Lakes, with severe thunderstorms extending in a curving line from the upper Ottawa Valley, across Lake Ontario, and then southwestwards across the U.S.

As usual following disasters of this type there was a very rapid response to provide aid and assistance. First were the emergency rescue teams - ambulances, hospitals, firemen, police and army units - and the provision of emergency shelter. Then individuals and groups such as the Mennonite Disaster Service provided rapid voluntary on-the-spot assistance in clean-up and reconstruction. Insurance companies set up special centres to speed the processing of claims, while agencies, service groups and the media arranged money raising benefits for the uninsured and needy. The provincial and federal governments made funds available in a fashion designed to encourage private donations to

relief organizations.

Such effort flowed naturally and spontaneously. So what can we learn from this tragedy that might be of use in future cases? Because future cases there are bound to be! Firstly, nature has once again shown her ugly side and served notice that southern Ontario is squarely in the path of devastating tornadoes. It is time for people to wake up to this fact and be prepared to take safety actions when warned of severe thunderstorms and/or tornadoes. Secondly, it is obvious that there are difficulties in transmitting warnings. Not everyone has access to radio and television broadcasts, the media used to convey warning messages from the weather service to the public, and hence can be taken completely unaware by severe storms even though adequate warnings have been given. Thirdly, more attention must be given to informing the public about severe storms, their consequences and what safety actions to take. Finally, it has been suggested by leaders in the engineering field that better building practices, such as more secure fastening of roof to wall, and better anchoring of walls to foundations, would make structures safer on the periphery of damaging storms.

Preceding the events of May 31, the Ontario Weather Centre provided an excellent warning service to the public, but many people did not know what actions to take. Watch our next monthly supplement for an article outlining recommended safety procedures, and how to individually receive warnings.

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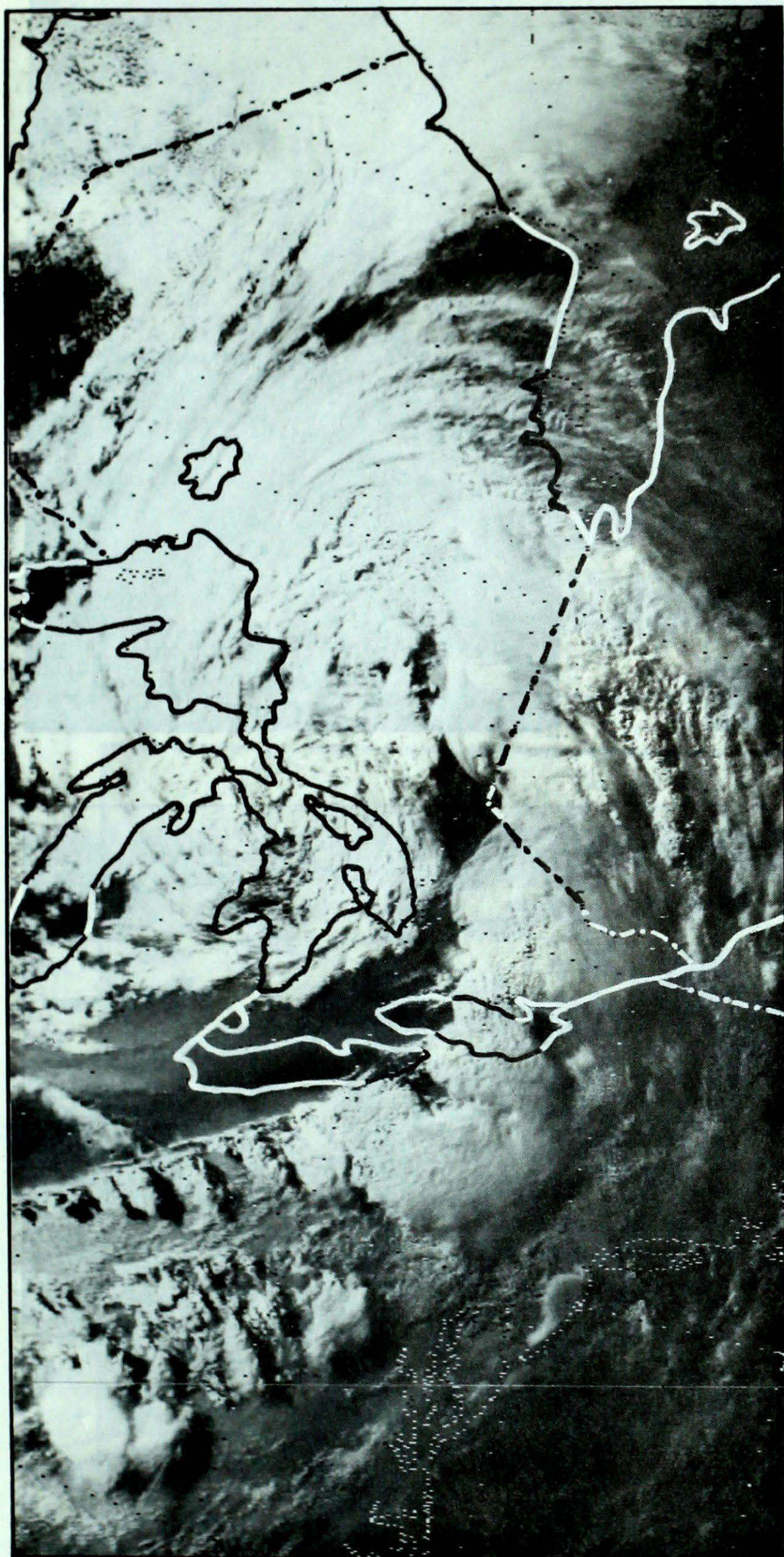
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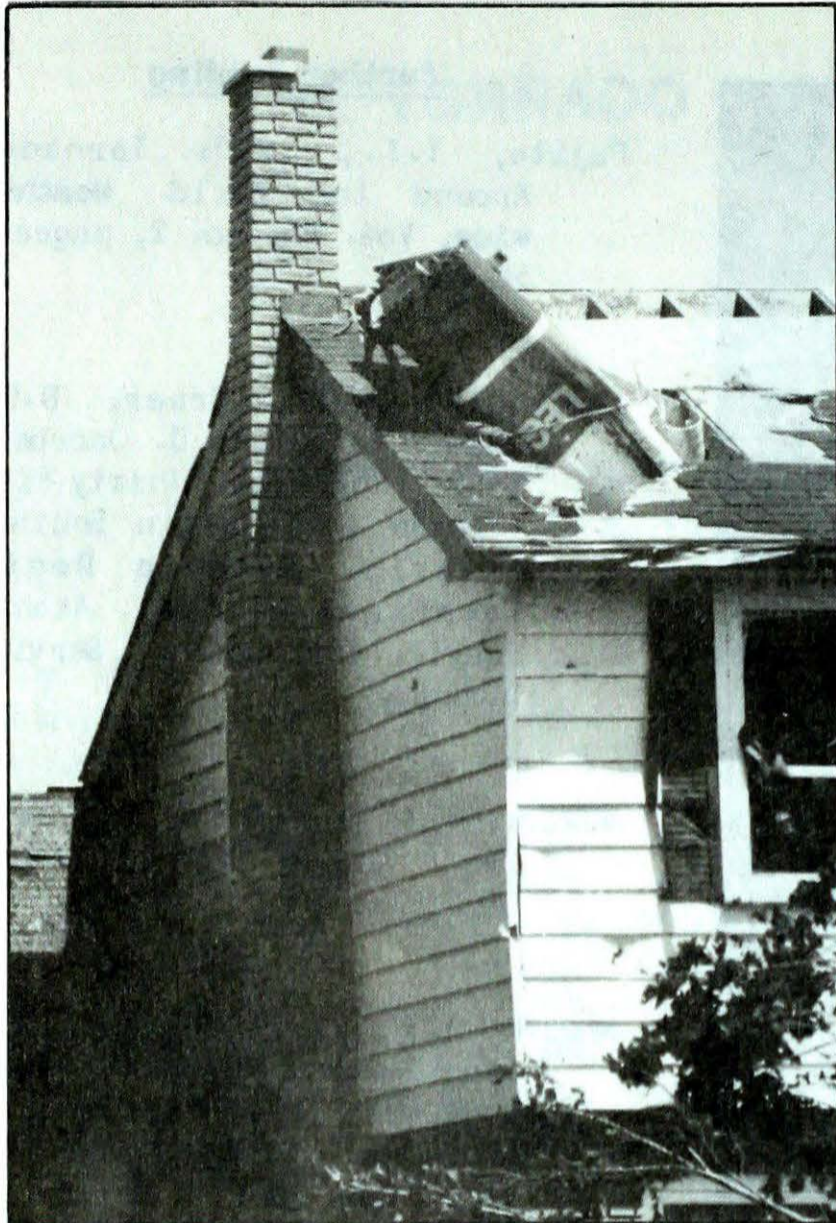
WHAT TO DO IF A TORNADO STRIKES

1. Head for the basement. Fast!
2. No basement? Seek shelter under the stairs, under a sturdy table, or in a closet or small room.
3. In a school auditorium or shopping mall - seek shelter in an interior corridor.
4. If caught outside, abandon your car and lie flat in a ditch or depression.

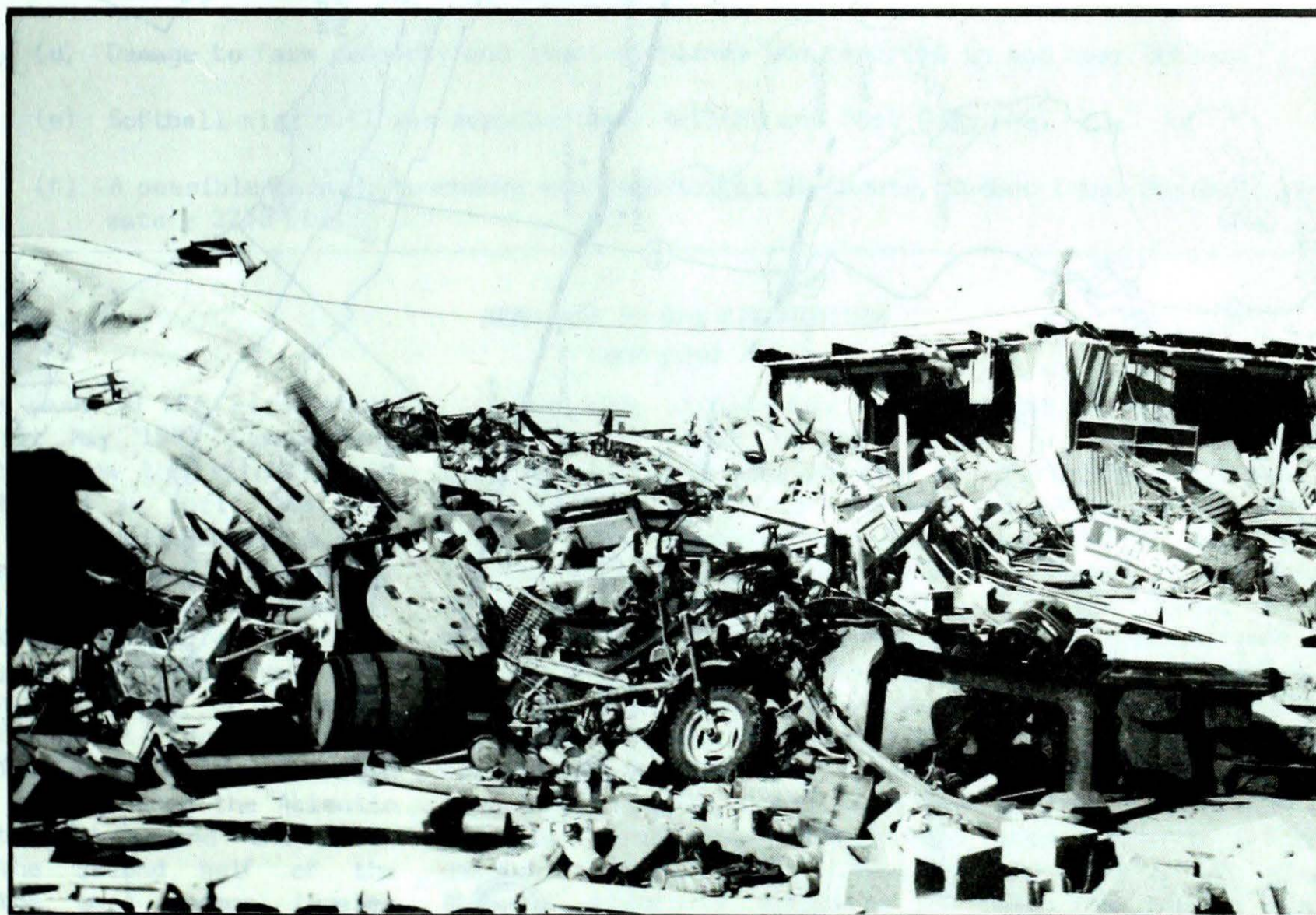


The NOAA 9 satellite image of 2305 GMT., May 31, 1985. A large tornado-spawning storm system straddles the Great Lakes region.

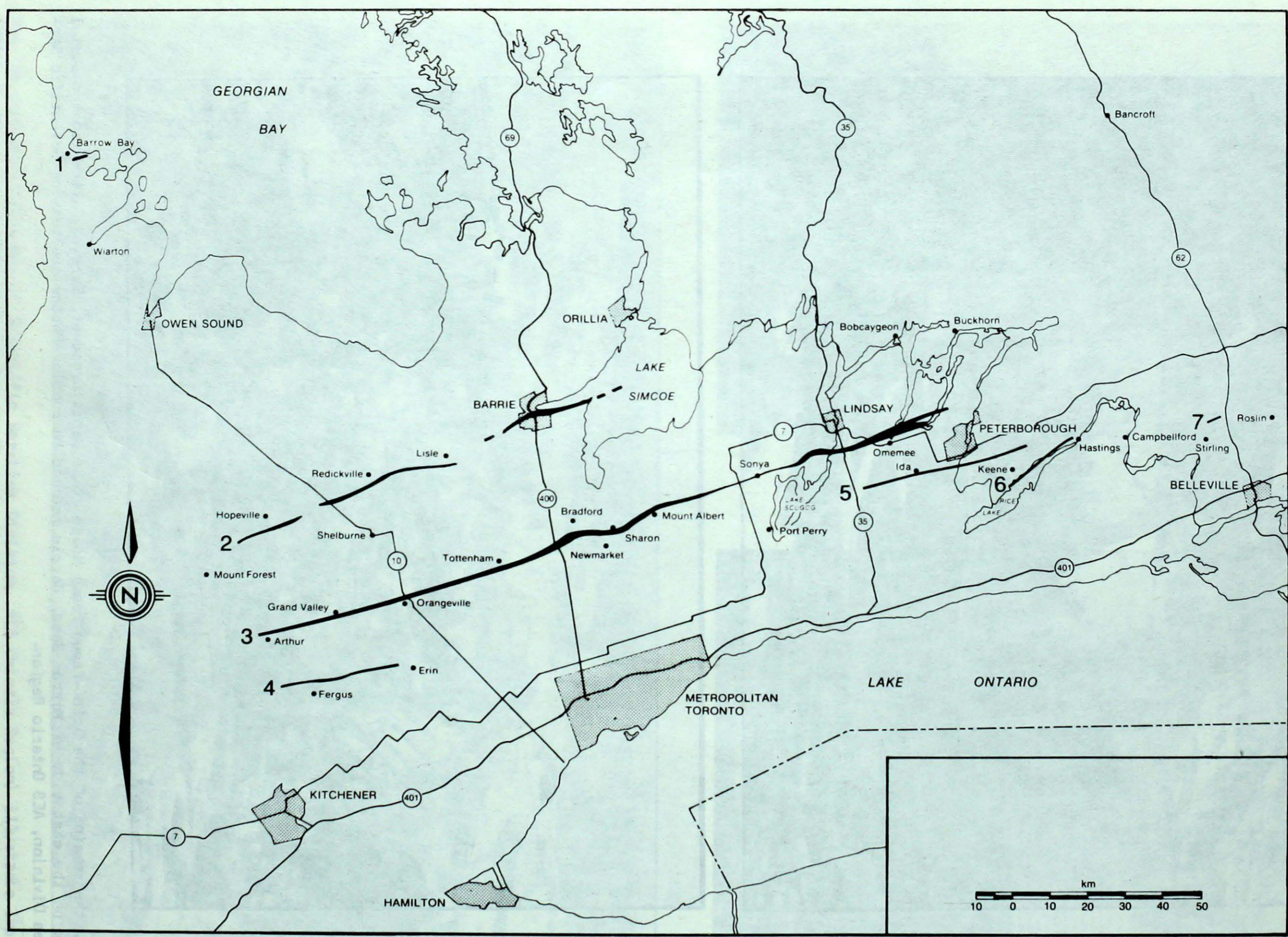
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The top pictures (courtesy of Scientific Services Division, AES Ontario Region) illustrate impact damage to homes in Barrie. Bottom picture (Toronto Star) shows volunteers helping to cleanup the tornado aftermath at the Adelaide street townhouses in Barrie.



Top, the remains of the brick-faced frame house at 16 Debra Crescent, Barrie. Bottom, an industrial park on the east side of Morrow Road, Barrie reduced to rubble. Photos courtesy of Scientific Services Division, AES Ontario Region.



The damage tracks of the May 31, 1985 tornado outbreak. Statistics of each track can be found in Table 1.

TRACK NUMBER	APPROXIMATE DAMAGE DIMENSIONS			MAXIMUM STRENGTH (F-Number)	ESTIMATED TIME (EDT)		NUMBER KILLED
	OVERALL LENGTH km	AVERAGE WIDTH m	AREA km ²		TOUCHDOWN	LIFTOFF	
1*	2	unknown	unknown	strong (F2)	1500	unknown	0
2	85	300	25	violent (F4)	1610	1700	8
3	190	300	60	violent (F4)	1615	1815	4
4	33	50	2	violent (F3)	1620	unknown	0
5	45	70	3	violent (F3)	1815	unknown	0
6*	11	unknown	unknown	strong (F2)	1825	unknown	0
7*	1	15	< 0.1	strong (F2)	1835	unknown	0

Table 1. Preliminary summary of damage statistics. The values are not definitive. They only indicate the order of magnitude of the damage dimensions, tornado times and strengths.

Notes:

- (a) An asterisk (*) indicates damage tracks which had not been completely field surveyed as of June 16, 1985.
- (b) Damage to trees was reported at Lyndhurst (downtrack from number 7).
- (c) Damage to trees and trailers was reported in the vicinity of Story Lake and north of Bobcaygeon (exact locations unavailable). This could be an extension of track number 2.
- (d) Damage to farm property and light airplanes was reported in and near Ottawa.
- (e) Softball size hail was reported near Welland and Port Colborne.
- (f) A possible tornado touchdown was reported at St-Canute, Québec (near Mirabel) at approximately 2230 EDT.

**MEAN MAY 50 kPa CIRCULATION
(see page 7B)**

The mean 50 kPa circulation pattern for May 1985 shows great differences from the situation in April. Whereas in April the main elements of the pattern were almost stationary, in May retrogression occurred, as appears most clearly on the Hovmöller diagram for 65°N. The diagram for 45°N shows that during the first half of the month the Pacific coast ridge progressed from a position at 110°W. It merged with and strengthened the Atlantic ridge at 50°W around the 15th. During the second half of the month, the more common inverse scenario was found, with retrogression of the Atlantic ridge at high latitudes, strengthening or reforming the ridge on the west coast.

The mean circulation map for May shows a 3-wave pattern near the pole and a 5-wave pattern at middle latitudes. One of the centres of the circumpolar vortex, located over the New Siberian Islands, was in its normal position, but the other one, located over the Bering sea, was deeper and more extensive than normal. As regards the major troughs and ridges, it can be seen by comparison with the long-term climatic normal that the Canadian trough is deeper and extends further south, that the Atlantic ridge is displaced 30° northwest, reaching Baffin Island and that the amplitude of the west coast ridge is reduced as a result of the influence of the deep trough

over the Bering Sea.

As the analysis chart shows, the resulting height anomalies are negative in the east and positive over Baffin Bay. They are directly reflected in the mean temperatures for the month, with lower than normal temperatures in Quebec and higher than normal temperatures in the Northwest Territories.

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**Ice Conditions Eastern Canadian Waters
Winter 1984-1985
Ice Forecasting Central Ottawa**

A longer and more difficult than normal ice season was experienced in eastern Canadian waters this past winter. Pack ice continued to plague the coastal waters off eastern Newfoundland as far south as Notre Dame Bay up to mid-June. Offshore drilling operations in particular, were seriously curtailed by the severity of the ice season.

The winter of 1984-85 was characterized by colder than normal temperatures throughout the area. This below normal pattern continued into the spring. The greatest anomalies for the period January through May 1985 were in the southern sections of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and east Newfoundland waters. The mean 1000 mb pressure pattern for the period had an area of low pressure centred off the southern Labrador coast.

Ice appeared along the Labrador coast by the end of November and then spread southward. By mid-December the transatlantic shipping route through the Strait of Belle Isle was no longer recommended for navigation due to the rapidly thickening ice cover.

The prevailing north to northeasterly windflow in the Labrador Sea limited the seaward extension of the ice pack and contributed to a steady southward progression of Arctic ice and icebergs along the Labrador coast.

Farther south, along the east Newfoundland coast prevailing westerly winds maintained generally light ice conditions in the coastal waterway, but more extensive ice covered the Grand Banks. The generally northwesterly windflow in the Gulf of St. Lawrence resulted in a significant outflow of ice from the Gulf through the Cabot Strait.

Moderate and cold northwesterly winds predominated in January, pushing the ice steadily southward. By the end of the month, the seaward extension of the ice east of Newfoundland reached the farthest point ever reported since records began in 1958. At the same time, the Gulf of St. Lawrence had become ice covered and a broad area of ice had drifted into Cabot Strait. The southern limit of this ice was about 70 miles from Sable Island. Again, this represents a record in ice extent, for this time of the year.

During February, the ice reached the Hibernia drilling fields, and all the drilling rigs were forced to move off site. Off Nova Scotia, the ice drifted southward to the vicinity of Sable Island and persisted through March causing a major concern to offshore drilling operations there. During March, a tongue of ice extended to a point 340 miles southeast of St. John's, which is about 80 miles farther south than the previous record. Ice conditions began to improve after mid-March in the northwestern sections of the Gulf of St. Lawrence as the seasonal upwelling in temperatures began. The pack ice, however, persisted in the area of Hibernia well into April.

Throughout the winter, in east Newfoundland waters winds prevailed offshore. Shipping in the coastal waterway had little difficulty with the unusually light ice and open water conditions. This is in stark contrast to the last two years, when shipping was completely blocked for weeks at a time. Fishermen in Newfoundland waters experienced more problems in the spring due to the delayed break-up and more frequent periods of onshore

winds. Along the northwest Newfoundland coast during April and early May, persistent northwest winds packed the ice very tightly against the coast causing fishing operations to come to a standstill. By early May most of the Gulf of St. Lawrence had cleared. However, a band of thick ice in the northeast arm of the Gulf persisted well into June. Along the Newfoundland coast, the pack slowly thinned and retreated northward during May but by mid-June bands of heavy ice, still, continued to block the approaches to the Strait of Belle Isle.

The number of icebergs reported in Newfoundland waters during the winter and spring proved to be quite impressive. For the third successive year, the International Ice Patrol reported a greater than normal number of icebergs although fewer than the record number of last year. Most of the icebergs were concentrated well offshore over the Grand Banks. They were a major concern to the Hibernia drilling operation.

This past winter's ice season, which in Newfoundland waters has not as yet ended, set new records in ice extent. In contrast to last year, shipping operations were minimally affected, while drilling operations were seriously disrupted. The normal increase in fishing activities were delayed due to the slow rate of clearing. Despite the severity of the ice season in the south, looking northward into the Arctic, break-up is already underway, and more favourable than normal ice conditions are indicated.

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X = Not observed * = normal missing MSG = data missing

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