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TORNADO PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

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1. DATE AND TIME JUNE 26, 1969 1745 EST

2. LOCATION OR PATH (attach map)
BRACEBRIDGE 0696904

3. PATH LENGTH ☐ NOT KNOWN ☐ <1mi; ☐ 1-4mi; ☐ 5-10mi; ☐ 11-50mi; ☐ LENGTH IF>50

4. PATH WIDTH ☐ 5. TORNADO PART OF SQUALL LINE? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☐ UNKNOWN

6. ANY UNUSUAL COLORATION? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☐ UNKNOWN

7. ANY UNUSUAL SOUND? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☐ UNKNOWN

8. IF ANSWER TO 6 OR 7 YES, ELABORATE;

9. LIST ANY ASSOCIATED PHENOMENA (Such as hail, vivid lightning heavy rain, no rain, etc.)
3.4 inches of rain reported at Muskoka.

10. TOTAL DAMAGE ESTIMATE $ U

11. TOTAL DEATHS 0

12. TOTAL INJURED 0

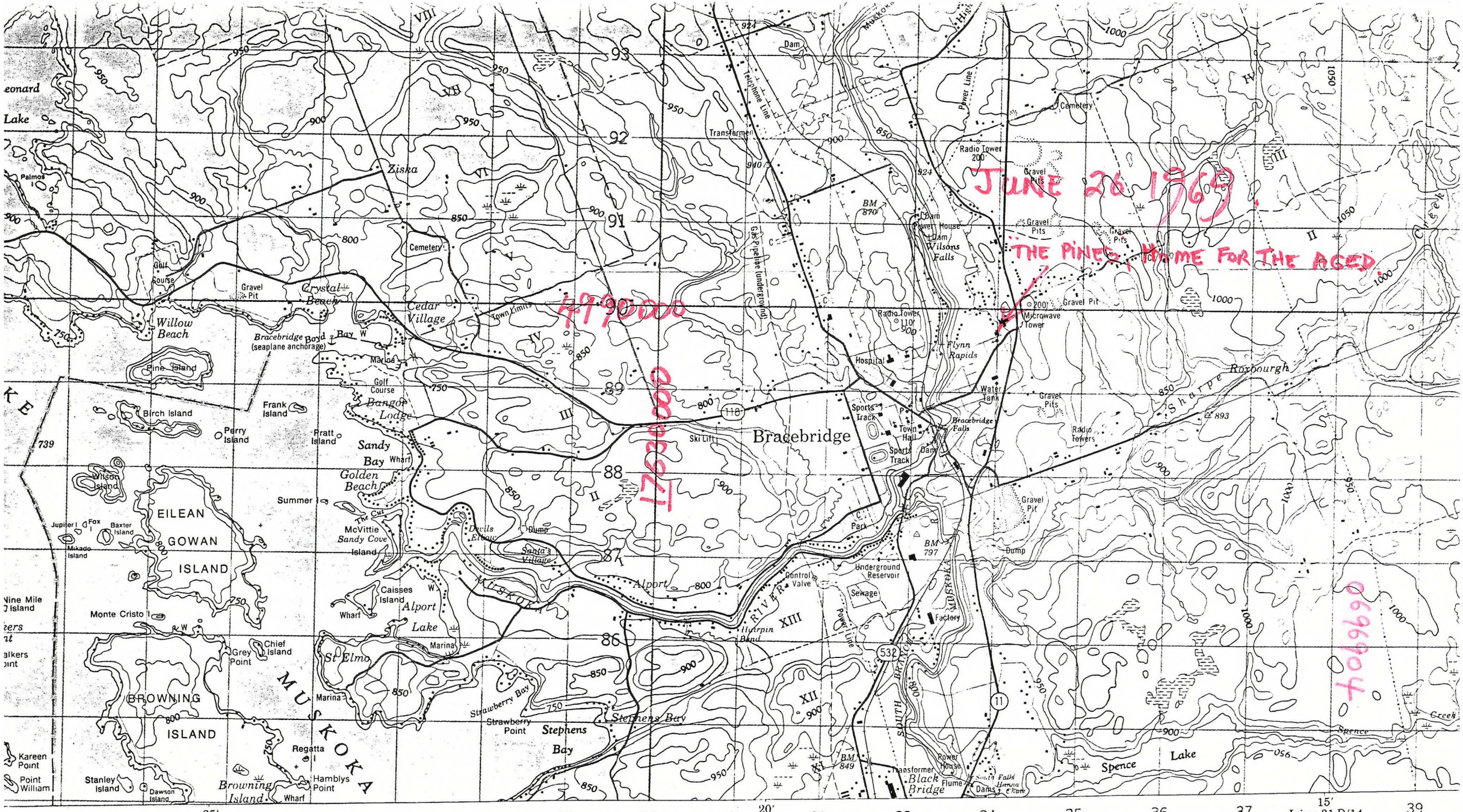
13. TOTAL HOMELESS U

14. LIST ALL REFERENCES
BRACEBRIDGE HERALD-GAZETTE JULY 3, 1969
Telephone Interview NOV 6, 1980 by P.J. Elms.

15. SUMMARIZE REMARKS PERTAINING TO (a) FUNNEL; (b) INTERESTING OR CAPRICIOUS EVENTS.

(a) no remarks

(b) Trees uprooted. 4ft waves reported on Lake Muskoka.


JUNE 26 1969.
THE PINES HOME FOR THE AGED
Bracebridge
Dam
Cemetery
Radio Tower 200
Gravel Pits
Transformer
Power Line
Telephone Line
Gas Pipeline (underground)
Dam Power House
Wilsons Falls
Flynn Rapids
Microwave Tower
Hospital
Water Tank
Sports Track
Town Hall
Bracebridge Falls
Radio Towers
Golf Course
Gravel Pit
Crystal Beach
Willow Beach
Cedar Village
Town Limits
Bracebridge Bay (seaplane anchorage)
Marina
Pine Island
Bangor Lodge
Sandy Bay Wharf
Golden Beach
Ski Lift
Birch Island
Perry Island
Frank Island
Pratt Island
Summer
Wilson Island
Jupiter
Fox
Baxter Island
Mukado Island
EILEAN GOWAN ISLAND
The Cut
McVittie Sandy Cove Island
Devils Elbow
Dump
Santa's Village
Alport
Caisses Island
Wharf
Alport Lake
Monte Cristo
Grey Point
Chief Island
St Elmo
Marina
MUSKOKA RIVER
Underground Reservoir
Control Valve
Sewage
Factory
Power House
Flume
Dams
Black Bridge
Transformer
Ilyarpin Bend
Park
BM 870
BM 797
BM 849
BROWNING ISLAND
Strawberry Bay
Strawberry Point
Stephens Bay
Stephens Bay
Regatta
Hamblys Point
Browning Island
Wharf
Stanley Island
Dawson Island
Kareen Point
Point William
Nine Mile Island
Spence Lake
Spence Creek
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BRACEBRIDGE
EVE JUNE 26 1969

Freak Storm Causes Heavy Damage

A freak storm of near-hurricane intensity swept through Bracebridge and area for about 30 minutes on Thursday evening, leaving a path of destruction in its wake that brought havoc to telephone and hydro installations, uprooted trees and caused other widespread damage.

The high winds accompanied by heavy rain cut through an area of about two miles wide, from a point south of the northern limits of the town. An uprooted tree which fell across Morrison street kept town employees busy Friday cutting and hauling it away. On McMurray a large tree on the lawn of the Don Hutton property fell across power and telephone lines, cutting off service all night and heavily damaging a car in the driveway. Elsewhere in the town broken limbs and smaller trees littered the ground.

Near St. Thomas' Church a tree fell between two parked cars, but smashed a parking meter. Sections of town were without power for about three hours. Fourth ward was affected by a downed tree on Muskoka Road. Another tree fell on James street, a block south of the Community Centre.

At The Pines, Muskoka District's Home for the Aged, where the winds hit at about 6.45 p.m., 25 stately pine trees fell victim to the wrath of the storm, taking a bird bath, lawn chairs and a section of chain fence in the damage. Maintenance supervisor, Ray Fraser, blamed tree damage at The Pines on shallow roots and the fact that the winds had a wide sweep before hitting the unprotected trees, most of which were over 100 years old.

At the height of the storm waves on Lake Muskoka were four feet high, and sent evening swimmers scurrying for cover as they smashed against the shore.

In the wake of the storm, through two nights and a day the staff of the local Ontario Hydro area spent many hours endeavoring to repair services, where wires were taken down by falling limbs or trees.

In a one-day period, also, the rainfall over Muskoka registered 2.4 inches. The downpour followed three other quite heavy rains in May and June which have swollen the streams and raised the lakes of this whole part of the Province. At the end of last week the high water on Muskoka River below Bracebridge, on Lake Muskoka, and on the river below Bala was in flood condition and causing alarm to property-owners for the safety of wharves.

THE PINES, Home for the aged.
(705) 645-4488
Phoned on Nov 7/80 and located the home on the map.
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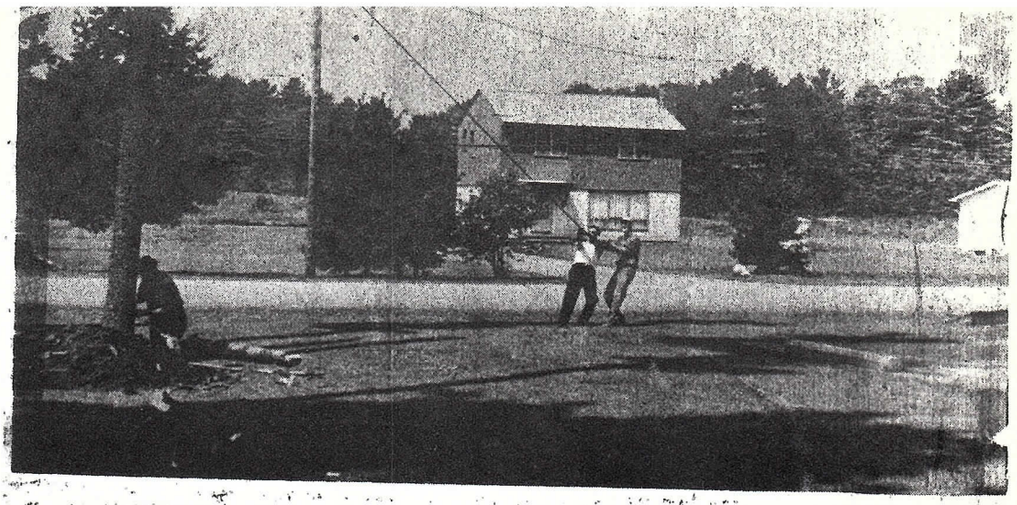

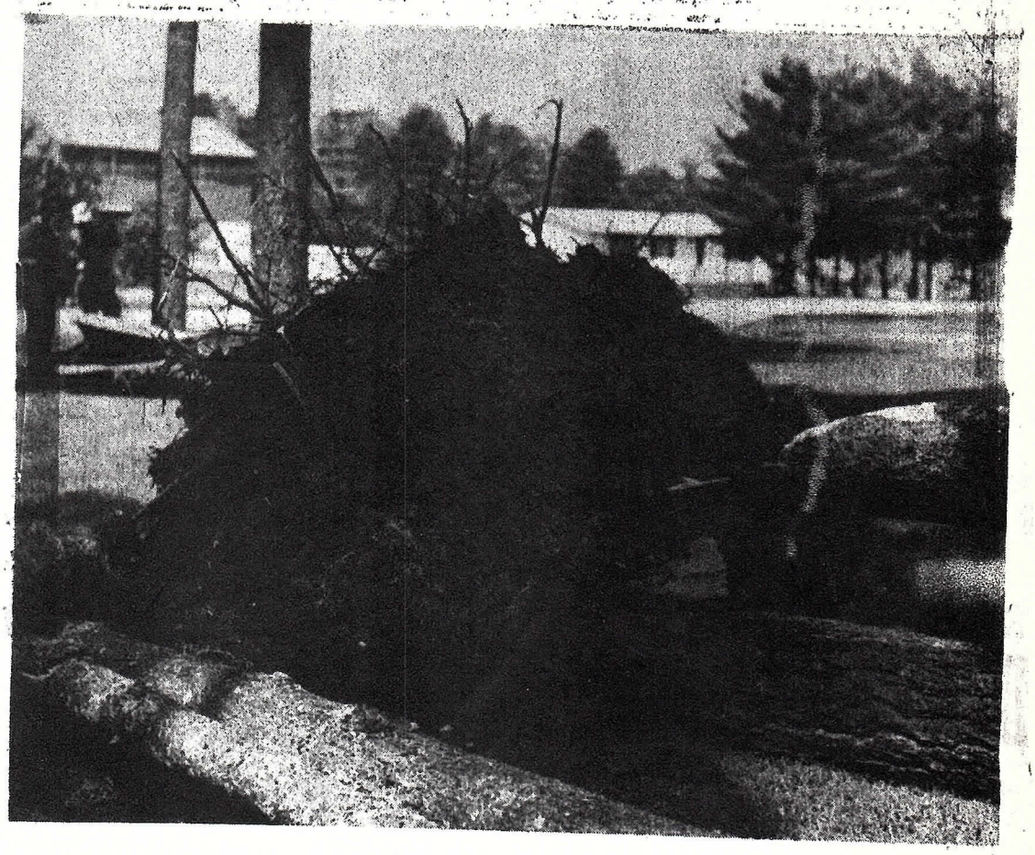

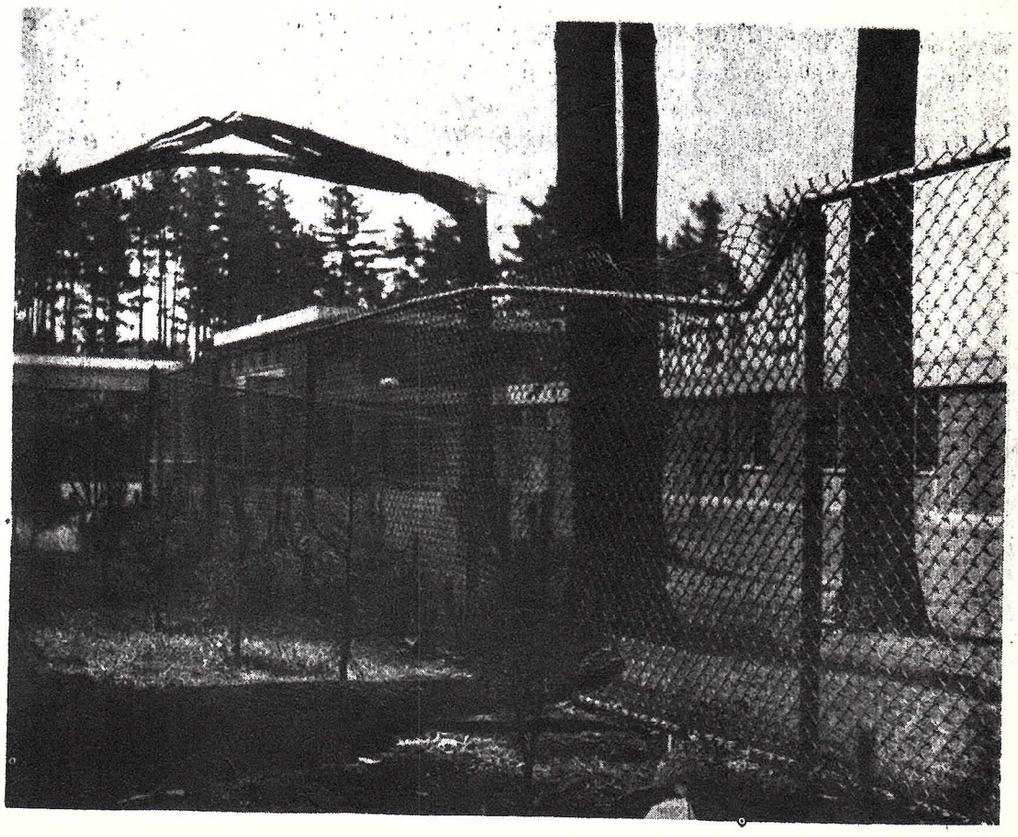

AFTERMATH: These pictures, taken at the Pines in Bracebridge, are representative of the damage caused all along the path taken by the sudden storm which passed through Bracebridge last Thursday evening. Many trees were blown down completely, (top photo), while many more, their branches caught like sails by the high winds, snapped the 'mast', leaving poles where trees once stood. In the second photo, Harvey Kaye digs to free the roots while Ray Fraser, maintainance supervisor of the Pines, and Stan Mayville strain at the rope in their efforts to remove one such 'pole'. Third photo, roots and sod ripped clean from the ground as this pine was laid flat, and at the bottom, a damaged section of fence, which like many unfortunate cars, boats, and buildings in the area, was caught by crashing debris.

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