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TORNADO REPORT

LOCATION: Province: Manitoba

Reference Town: Cypress River + District

Lat. & Long.: 49°33'N + 99°06'W

TIME: (Year/Month/Day/Time (Z)

73/06/16/0100Z (8:00 P.M. local)

LOCATION OF BEGINNING:

Lat.:

Long.:

Location of End:

Lat.:

Long.:

ASSOCIATED WEATHER CONDITIONS: High winds, heavy rain, + hail.

Length of Track:

Direction of Track:

Visual Description:

Path Width:

Fatalities:

Injuries:

SOURCE OF INFORMATION:

The Glenboro Gazette, Wed, June 20/73

COMMENTS: - "Tornado like storm"

- uprooted trees, removed roofs, + shifted buildings.
- damage ranged from 8-mi. SE of Glenboro to NW of Holland.
- destruction by hail left path 7-8 mi wide in places.
- shelter-belt of trees twisted.
- barn destroyed

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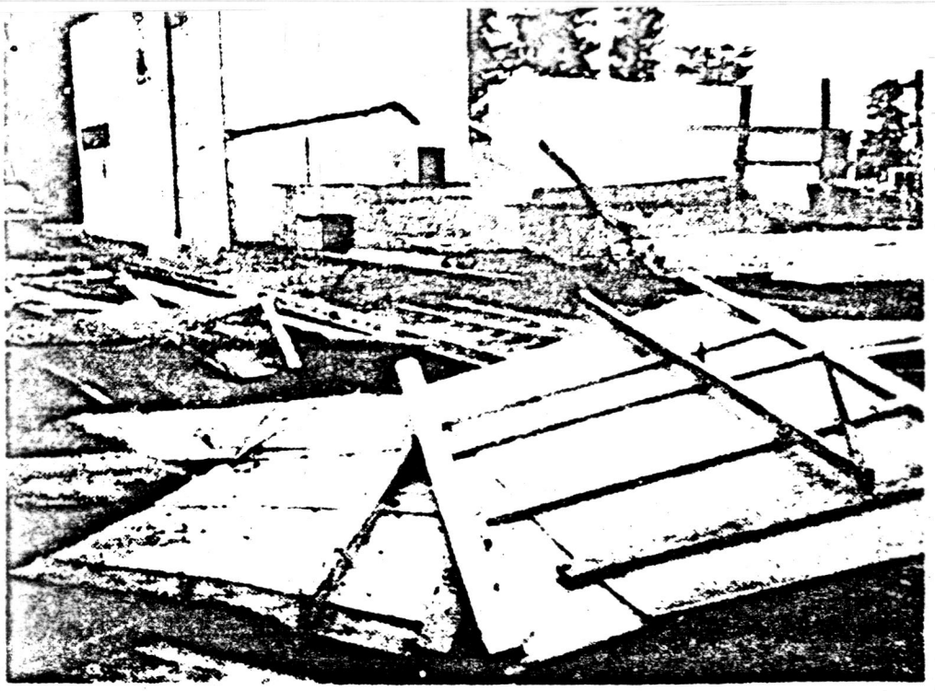
Storm Date: Friday June 15 1973



Cypress River Storm of June 15th, 1973
Revelstoke lumber yard. One lumber shed was demolished while damage was done to another by a fallen tree.

Tornado Strikes Cypress River & District

High winds accompanied by heavy rain and hail left a path of destruction in Cypress River and surrounding area on Friday evening. The tornado-like storm hit the area shortly after 8 p.m. on June 15th, up rooting trees, removing roofs and shifting buildings. Power and telephone service was interrupted for as much as 18 hours in some instances. The hail and wind driven leaves were pasted to the sides of buildings and were still there late Saturday. The rubber coating on some hydro wires was peeled off & hung in shreds. T.V. aerials were twisted & some windows broken. Gardens and yards were pulverized; short crops were beaten flat, while the heads on the rye crops were knocked off. Reports of damage to farm yards ranged from five miles south-east of Glenboro at the Mowatt farm to north west of Holland. The area at times was 7 to 8 miles wide.

Clean-up operations swung into high gear on Saturday as everyone lent a helping hand in removing trees from roofs, fences and streets, and repairs were made to roofs in the event of further rain. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Pantel, in Cypress River, a tree had landed on the roof with several branches going through; one penetrating the livingroom ceiling, about a foot from the chandelier. On the P. Beretti farm, west of Cypress River on No. 2 highway (former Geo. Russell farm), the shelter belt of trees was twisted and blown into shambles. There haven't been any injuries reported as a result of the storm. Two cattle were killed at the S. Daymond farm, north-east of Cypress River.

There were many more homes and farms, too numerous to mention, which received damage as a result of the storm.



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Farmers and townspeople alike with their trucks, tractors and chain saws turned up on Saturday to help clean-up the aftermath of the tornado that struck Friday nite

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Lashes Hamlet

The little community of Cypress River, Man., was lashed by a tornado-like wind and by hail for about half an hour Friday evening.

Homes and businesses were damaged, trees were torn up and power was disrupted for four hours. No injuries were reported.

John James, owner of the Ponderosa Cafe in Cypress River, said the violent storm hit about 8:20 p.m. "There isn't a block or a street or a yard without damage," he said in an interview Saturday.

He said he didn't know of anyone actually seeing the funnel shape of a tornado but nothing else would explain the damage in the hamlet. Cypress River, 100 miles southeast of Winnipeg, has a population of about 270.

Mr. James said he had seen four barns torn down, and a house in the northeast corner of town had a 12-foot-square section of the roof torn off. A barn and cattle shelters near the house were also damaged.

Another resident had a 150-foot tree branch, about six inches in diameter, crash through his roof and wind up in his living room, about three feet from the floor. Trees two feet in diameter were uprooted and a storage shed was moved 30 feet, Mr. James said.

Electricity was disrupted when the storm hit but was restored to the main street for an hour and a half in about 10 minutes. Then all power went out until about 2:15 a.m.

Mr. James said hail the size of "peas and corn" flattened crops in the area.

The violent storm was followed by rain which lasted until midnight, he said. It wasn't until 11:30 p.m. that the town could even make a start at cleaning up the mess in the streets.

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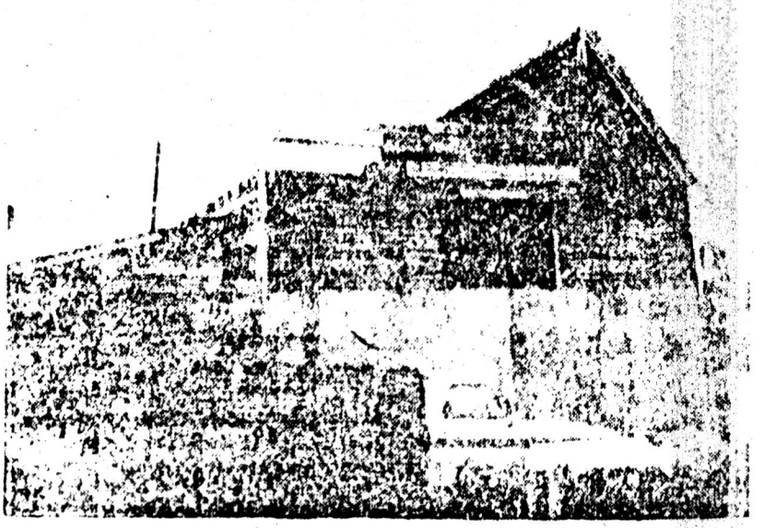
Trees were up-rooted or broken down by the winds.



Stan Desmond Barn, a hip roof structure, lost part of the upper roof as well [redacted] age to the house roof

Wednesday, June 20th, 1973

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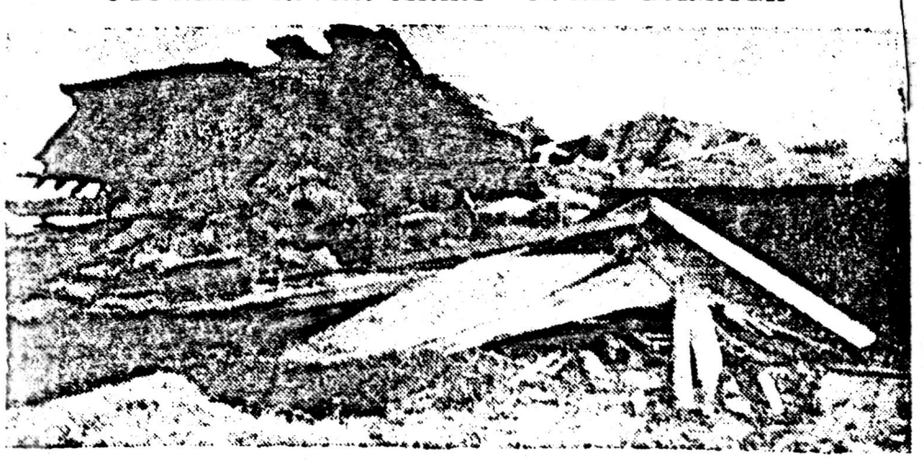
CYPRESS RIVER AREA STORM DAMAGE



Owen Anderson, south-west of town lost his barn completely plus a granary and a garage and windmill.

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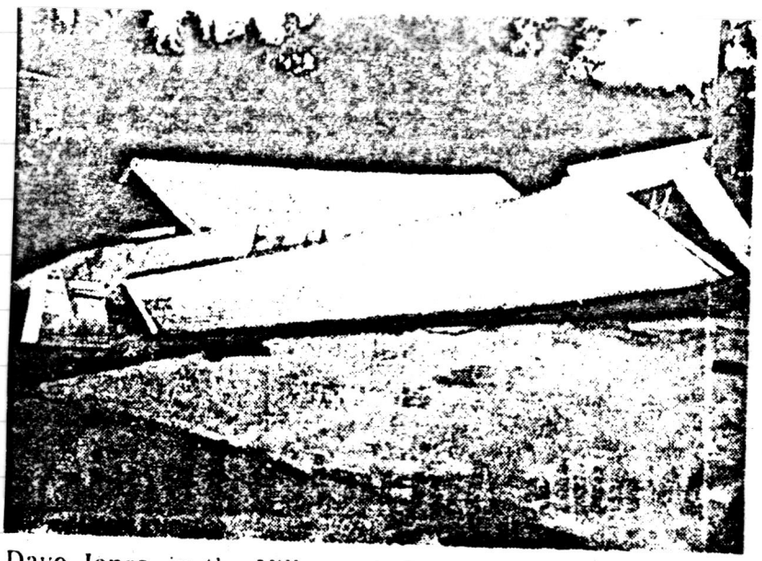
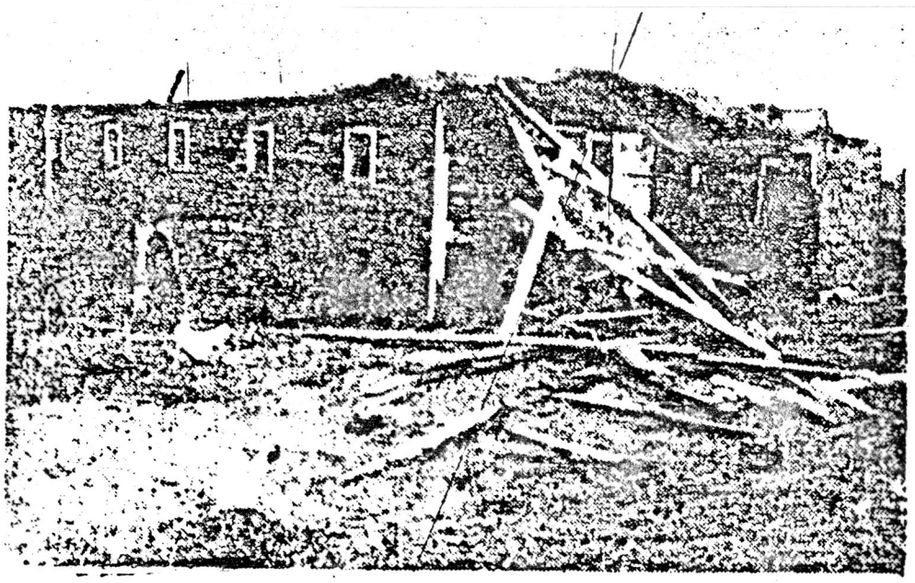


Dave Jones, in the Village of Cypress River had his car garage flattened while his neighbor had his garden utility shed overturned; and Defoorts gate arch, broken. in the storm that struck Cypress River on June 15th./73



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The Albert Claeys barn, north-east of Cypress lost the round roof it was built with, a McKee Harvester was also overturned as the wall of wind, dust and hail struck.