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TORNADO PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

1. DATE AND TIME June 7, 1988 1100 MDT

2. LOCATION OR PATH (attach map) Stavely, Alta.

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

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 – hail, rain
(Such as hail, vivid lightning heavy rain, no rain, etc.)

10. TOTAL DAMAGE ESTIMATE $ 11. TOTAL DEATHS

12. TOTAL INJURED 13. TOTAL HOMELESS

14. LIST ALL REFERENCES

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

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Hail, wind and rain sweeps across Alberta

MEDICINE HAT, Alta. (CP) — Cars were dented, gardens ruined, streets flooded and greenhouses damaged by a supper-hour thunderstorm that made a 15-minute sweep through this southeastern Alberta city Tuesday.

The storm hit the city with winds gusting to 83 kilometres an hour, heavy rain and hail, some the size of golf balls. Streets were littered with small, broken tree branches and leaves.

Fire department Capt. Floyd Wutch said some streets were flooded because the city's storm-sewer system could not handle the heavy downpour. A main downtown artery, 1st Street Southeast, was closed to traffic for about an hour after water filled an underpass under CP rail tracks.

A Transport Canada official said one hailstone found at the city's airport measured 2.5 centimetres in diameter.

The thunderstorm was spawned by a weather system moving northward into Alberta from the state of Idaho. Weather officials had issued a severe thunderstorm warning for the Medicine Hat area earlier in the day.

Meanwhile, another series of severe thunderstorms lashed southern and central Alberta Tuesday, bringing hail, heavy rainshowers and high winds during the third straight day of unsettled weather in the province.

Two days after a storm system that included tornadoes cut through central Alberta and caused an estimated $2 million in damage, residents of Lethbridge, Calgary, Red Deer and other locales were hit by more storms Tuesday.

Residents of the Calgary, Red Deer and Edmonton areas had been warned by Environment Canada throughout the day to prepare for the system. And a thunderstorm watch was issued for parts of heat-stricken Saskatchewan.

Environment Canada spokesman Curt Dixon said the storms started in the south of the province, moving north from the Lethbridge area in the early morning.

Calgary residents reported hail stones the size of golf balls at about 8 a.m. and the city received about five millimetres of rain. The system weakened as it moved north.

Dixon said the storms covered a broad section of the province, but brought widely-varied amounts of rain. While some weather stations reported only a few millimetres, other areas could expect up to 30 millimetres.

"If it decides to rain on one farmhouse, it could just pass by the one next door."

Dixon said the weather watchers were alert to the possibility of tornadoes, but had heard no reports of funnels so far.

"When you're talking about severe thunderstorms, there's always the possibility of tornadoes," he said. "But we've had no reports of that."

Dixon said the unsettled weather that has plagued the province since Sunday was due to a low-pressure trough over British Columbia. The unstable weather is expected to continue for at least another five days, he said.



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Medicine Hat mortorist waits for rescuers



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Fake-jade shipment laced with heroin

VANCOUVER (CP) — In a plot right out of The French Connection, high-grade heroin worth millions was seized by customs agents in British Columbia and suspects were nabbed in Ontario and Quebec.

Four people were arrested in Windsor and three more in Montreal after officers followed a shipment of heroin in much the same way they did in the best-selling book which became a popular movie.

Customs agents in Vancouver became suspicious over the paperwork involved in a Bangkok, Thailand, shipment listed as jade rocks and bound for Montreal, said Terry Langley, director of intelligence for Canada Customs.

It turned out that the jade was fake but the shipment also carried 20.5 kilograms of 87-per-cent pure heroin police said was being imported by organized crime and is worth $190 million on the street.

"A check with the customs computerized data base indicated that an intelligence file already existed in Montreal on the suspect importer," Langley said.

He said the bonded shipment of rocks, packed in five wooden crates and weighing 420 kilograms, was taken to Vancouver International Airport and X-rayed.

"The X-ray screen clearly indicated a cavity in one of the 17 rocks and customs officers therefore decided to examine the shipment," he said. "When they broke one of the rocks, they discovered the heroin."

Langley said the smugglers had drilled holes inside the granite rocks, stuffed them with heroin and resealed the boulders. The rocks were coated with a dirt and sand mixture with a green tinge to make them look like jade.

"It was a very good job," said Langley.

The RCMP removed most of the heroin and replaced it with a powder resembling the drug. In The French Connection, police uncovered a cache of heroin inside the door panel of a luxury car and followed the vehicle to the scene of a major drug deal. That heroin also had an international route as it was bound for New York from Marseilles.

In The Canadian Connection, the RCMP followed the shipment to Montreal and waited for the owner to claim the rocks last Thursday. The path eventually led to the Windsor area where the arrests were made.

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Sandor Poloskei, a close friend of Halasi's, said his friend was frustrated with not be able to realize his often unrealistic goals. Both men arrived in Canada from Hungary in 1985.

"He wanted the American dream — a big motorcycle, a Jaguar, a law degree — but couldn't wait for it," Poloskei said in an interview Tuesday.

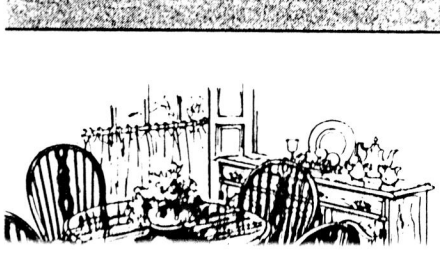
"He couldn't see a way out . . . he went there to die," Poloskei said. "He loved the mountains, they were a big part of his dreams."

Halasi had been Middleton's boyfriend since about February. The two had met in college, where both were upgrading their high-school education.

Middleton planned to study nursing, her mother, Jean, said in an interview.

She described Halasi as a nice boy who often had dinner at their home. She had taken him to the doctor a few days before the slaying when he developed severe stomach pains related to an ulcer.

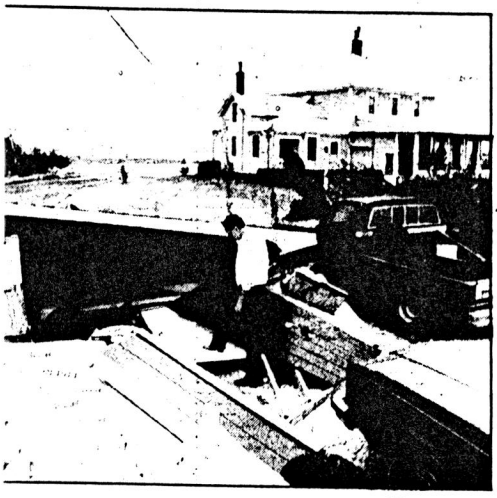
"I told him it was all related to tension," she said.



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children were not awakened by the violent winds that tore apart his barn and left the carefully planted trees, lawn and garden that won him a landscaping prize two years ago in ruins.

He said a half-tonne windmill located less than four metres from his farm house was tossed like a toy over the children's tent and landed 50 metres away.

"That tree trunk there must've missed the tent by less than a foot," Lensink said, prodding a 30-centimetre-thick trunk with a muddy toe. "I still can't believe they didn't wake up."

Lensink sadly surveyed the remains of his landscaping efforts — shattered trees, pieces of his demolished barn dangling from the branches of the few trees still standing, a lawn covered in muddy debris and dead chickens strewn everywhere.

"It's all finished, look at it — finished," he said, shaking his head. "All that work, gone in a minute."

The big, middle-aged farmer lost more than 300 chickens and estimates it will cost him more than $50,000 to repair his damaged property. But he considers himself lucky. His children escaped injury and, except for a few broken windows, his house was still in one piece.

"It happened fast — maybe 10 minutes from start to finish — it was like I was dreaming," he said.

Alan Wilson was not quite as fortunate.

Wilson was sleeping in a second-storey bedroom of his wood-frame farmhouse a few kilometres southwest of Camrose when furious winds woke him about 3 a.m.

"All I could hear was the wind — this high-pitched whining," he said. "I ducked under the covers and sort of instinctively covered my head with my hands. The next thing I know, the blankets have been sucked right off me and I could feel it lifting me up."

Wilson said he scrambled out of bed and down to the ground floor. The storm plucked the roof off his house and scattered it across his 384-hectare ranch.

"It was a bit of a surprise," a taciturn Wilson said of his brush with the storm.

More than 30 neighbors chipped in to build a temporary plastic and tarpaulin roof for Wilson, who lost at least one calf to the storm and 12 large elm trees lining the driveway to his home.

Jim Lewis, who has a 485-hectare farm west of Camrose, said he lost several buildings and equipment worth $40,000. Three of his 300 head of cattle had to be destroyed because they had suffered broken legs.

A neighbor, David Bartel, lost the top half of a 25-metre-high concrete silo. He said the silo — with steel reinforced, three-inch-thick walls — was cut in half.

Andy Zetsen of Bittern Lake, a village with 170 residents about 75 kilometres south of Edmonton, said he saw what he described as a tornado funnel early Sunday morning from his bedroom window.

"I saw a funnel near the ground every time the lightening lit up the sky," he said. "I was watching from my bedroom window and told my wife 'There's a tornado, you can see it.'"

Environment Canada, which announced about three weeks ago that an improved communications and weather-warning system had been implemented, hesitated to label the storm as one that packed a tornado.

Youths arrested

Police reported arrests after two break-ins in the city's northwest this weekend.

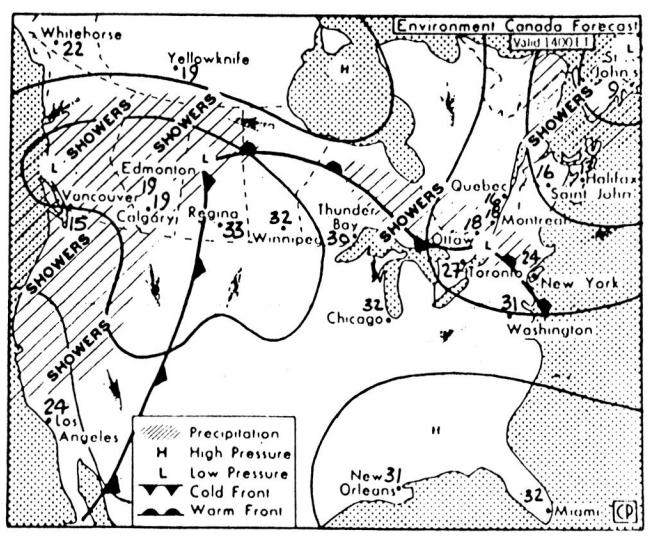
Two male youths, aged 13 and 14 years old, were arrested Sunday morning and charged with break, enter and theft after an incident on Williston Crescent.

Two bicycles and a knife had been reported missing.

No details have been released by police about a break-in at St. Bernadette School at 727 McIntosh St. N., Sunday afternoon.

Three male juveniles were arrested, however. The school was apparently entered through an open door.

Weather



Map details are for midday tomorrow

Another day of record-breaking temperatures is anticipated for southern Saskatchewan today, and isolated thundershowers could develop during the afternoon and evening. Northeast winds and slightly cooler air will move over central regions today and into the northern half of the farming areas on Tuesday. No significant precipitation will accompany the cooling trend.

Regina, Weyburn, Moose Jaw
Assiniboia, Moose Mountain, Yorkton
Cypress Hills, Swift Current, Kindersley

Today sunny and continuing very hot, highs 36 to 39, tonight mainly clear, lows near 18. Tuesday mainly sunny, highs 33 to 36. Probability of precipitation 10 per cent today and tonight, 20 Tuesday

Days ahead

South: Wednesday mostly sunny, low near 11, high near 27, Thursday mostly sunny, low near 8, high near 21, Friday mostly sunny, low near 7, high near 19.

North: Wednesday mostly cloudy with showers, low near 8, high near 21, Thursday mostly cloudy with showers, low near 10, high near 21, Friday periods of rain, low near 7, high near 16.

Across Canada

British Columbia: Mainly cloudy along the south coast with a few showers. Mainly sunny along the north coast. Cloudy in the interior with showers and thunderstorms. Highs 14 to 20.

Alberta: Rain in the Peace River, highs near 13. Cloudy elswhere, highs 30 in the southeast to 18 in the northwest.

Manitoba: Sunny south and central, highs 33 to 36. Cloudy periods in the north with highs near 12.

Ontario: Mainly sunny in the southwest, highs 25 to 30. Sunny in the southeast with cloudy periods and chance of a shower, highs near 22 Sunny in the northwest with cloudy periods, highs 25 to 33. Mostly cloudy in the northeast with chance of showers, highs near 24.

REGINA DETAILS

Forecast high today	38
Temperature at noon	33
One year ago	32
Relative humidity	30%
Barometric pressure 9 a.m.	100.3
Record low, 1897	-2
Record high, 1961	34
Average low	8
Average high	22
Average	15
Sunset today	9:06p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow	4:49a.m.

Yesterday's High, Low, Prec.

Regina	41	22	-	Wynyard	39	22	-
Moose Jaw	41	20	-	Saskatoon	41	19	-
S. Current	37	20	-	Kind'sley	37	19	-
Estevan	39	22	-	N. Battlfd	38	18	0.2
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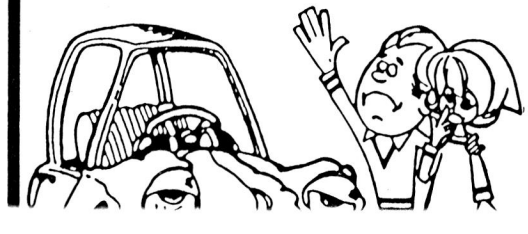
CORRECTION NOTICE

METROPOLITAN STORE

An error has occurred on page 2 of our June 6th Dollar Sale Flyer.

The illustration of the Manual Rotary Miracle Can Opener advertised at $1.00 is incorrect.

We regret any inconvenience this may have caused.



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