Summary Sheet

IDTO - ID Number :693509
AUTH - Report Author :
TYFU - Tornado Type & Fuji Code :a2
TITL - Report Title or Location :Norwich Township
PROV - Province :Ontario
COUN - Counties :Oxford
REFS - References :The Globe August 14, 1935
ZOTO - Touchdown Zone Number & Easting :17529430
NOTO - Touchdown Northing :4757750
LOVA - Touchdown Error Value & Code :1442r
DADA - Date of Data Entry :26/06/1990
ZOLO - Liftoff Zone Number & Easting :
NOLO - Liftoff Northing :
UPVA - Liftoff Error Value & Code :
DEAD - Number of Fatalities :1
HURT - Number of People Injured :2
HERT - Injuries Code :
DATA - Date of Tornado :12/08/1990 35 I presume PF
DAVA - Date Error Value & Code :
TITO - Time of Tornado :2100
TIMR - Time Meridian :75
TIVA - Time Error Value & Code :104s
AXDA - Maximum Path Width :
AXVA - Max. Path Width Error & Code :
AVDA - Average Damage Width :
AVVA - Avg. Damage Width Error & Code :
SADA - Sample Damage Width :
SAVA - Sample Damage Width Error & Code:
INTO - Initials :JAM
DFTO - Detailed Report Flag :n
JUNK - PRDA & DIMO & DALE :
CODA - Property Damage Code :
MISC - ORDE,PICS_TYPE,PICS_AVAIL,COCO : 112
MANY - Multiple Event Flag :n

MEMO:Barns destroyed, 1 fatality caused by barn falling on top of farmer, both injuries were minor.

PHEN - Associated Phenomena :
TSHP - Townships :Norwich

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THE GLOBE, TORONTO, WEDNESDAY AUGUST 14TH. 1935.

STORM DATE. MON. AUG. 12TH. 1935.

BOY HURLED OVER FENCE, CYCLONE KILLING FATHER.

INGERSOLL, AUG. 13 (Special).

A graphic tale of the fury of a cyclone which swept NORTH NORWICH TOWNSHIP last night and brought death to his father, was told today by ~~xx~~ BERNARD McKAY, aged 10 years, and the scene of the general devastation indicated that it was not overdrawn.

WILLIAM McKAY and his four sons, LEROY, 14; LEO, 12; BERNARD, 10; and GORDON, the youngest, had gone to the barn to do the milking. "We were all in the barn," said Bernard. "I was just starting to milk my first cow when I heard a roar and saw the walls xstart to twist and shake. I ran out, and as I did so, shouted a warning to my father and brothers. As I got out the wind picked me up and carried me over a fence. I grabbed hold of a hay rack and hung on. The barn began falling down and beams and boards were blown all over." Neighbors hurried to the scene of wreckage and rescue work was commenced in an organized way. LEROY McKAY got out while the building was being torn to pieces. After an hour and a half of frenzied work LEO was discovered pinned underneath a cow. He was held by his ankles, and the animal had to be cut in half before the lad could be extricated. GORDON, the younger lad, was also pinned under the wreckage. Neither lad was seriously injured, but both were confined to their beds today with bruises and abrasions. WILLIAM McKAY was dead, his head crushed by heavy timbers.

STORM DATE ABOUT 2PM. MON. AUG 12 1935

# MANY VISIT THE STORM DISTRICT OF N. NORWICH

## Residents From All Parts of Oxford Flock to See Wreckage Following Disaster

Interest in the storm disaster area on the fifth concession of North Norwich continued throughout yesterday to attract people from all parts of the county. Last night, hundreds of cars were stopped near the McKay farm and hundreds of people strolled over the barnyard property to see at first hand the

outsider, only guesses were left as an explanation, excepting in one case. This was at the Read farm. A little calf was following a small boy about. It would not leave his side, because he was kindly and gave it attention. The calf's mother had died in the crash of the barn. Possibly it was the other way about at the McKay farm, or it may have been for some other reason. Mature cows seemed disconsolate as they bawled and aimlessly wandered about the barnyard and through the wreckage that a few hours before had been their one abode of shelter. Strewn nearby, were the remains of luckless animals which had been killed by the falling timbers. Others were being hauled out of the wreckage by ropes in the hands of many neighboring helpers.

At the McNally farm, crippled cows were still lying about—only

flattened to less than knee-height. A picture of the barn on the Read

FRI AUG 16, 1935

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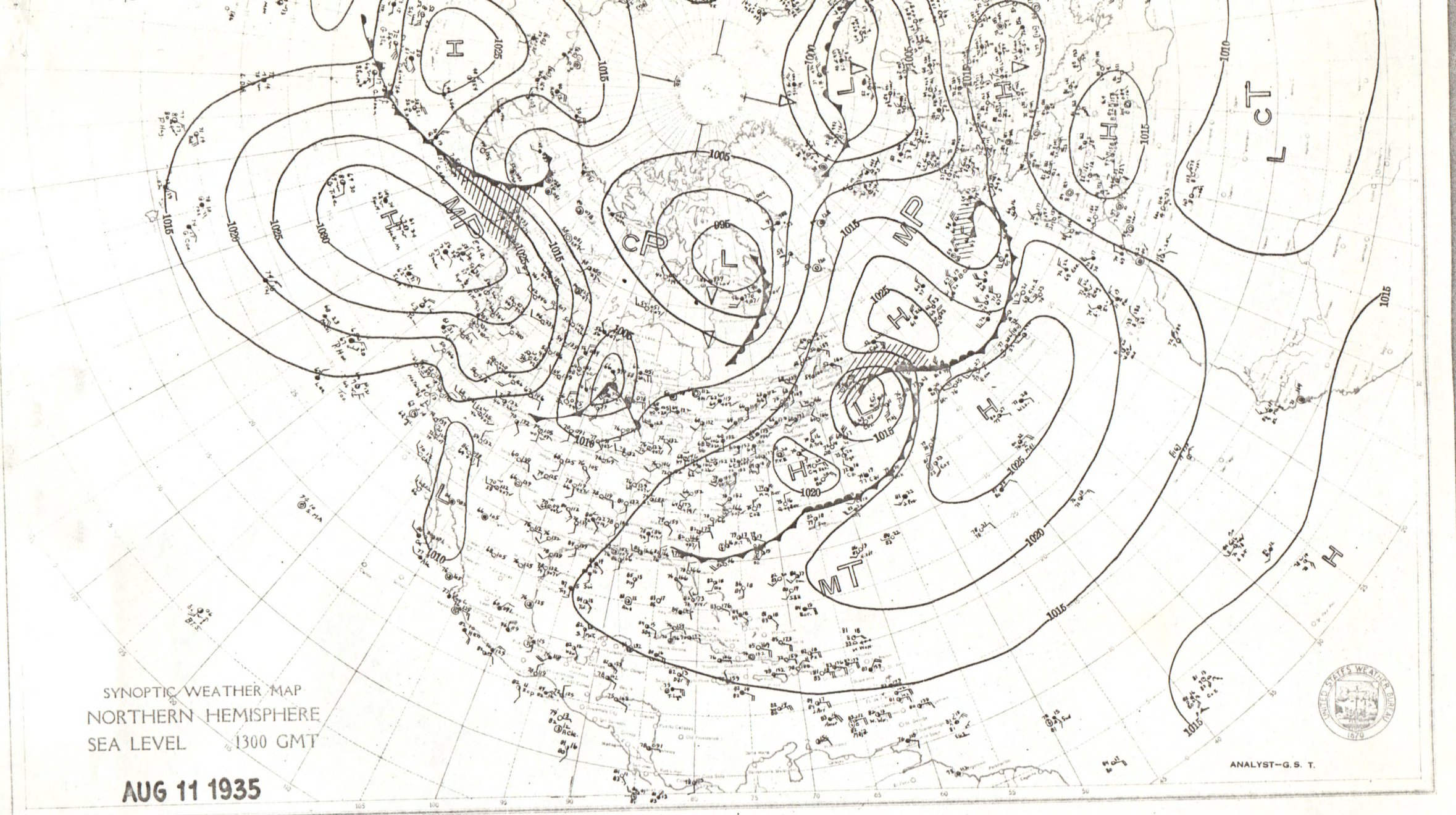
# *Deadly Cyclone Hits Oxford Farms*

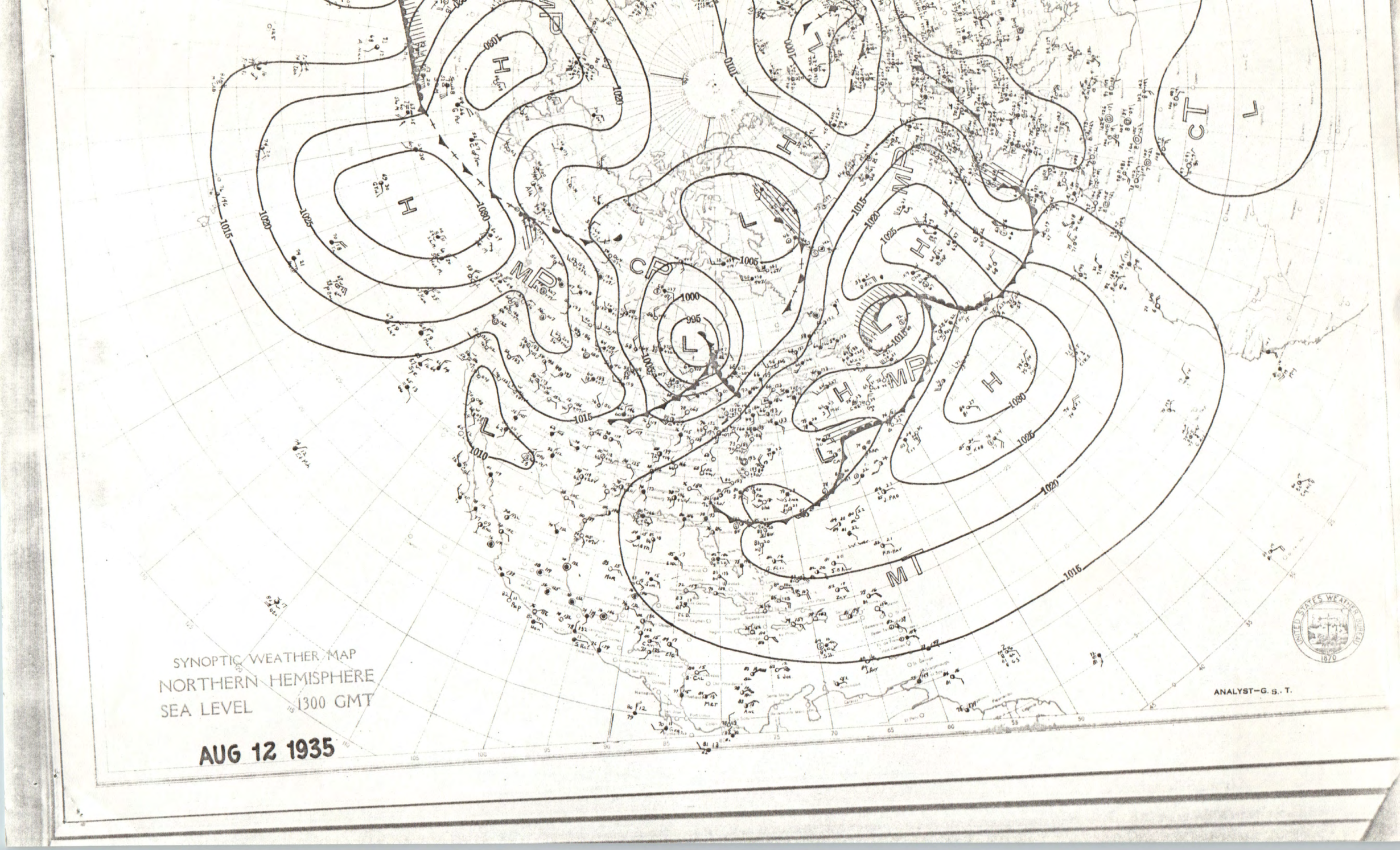


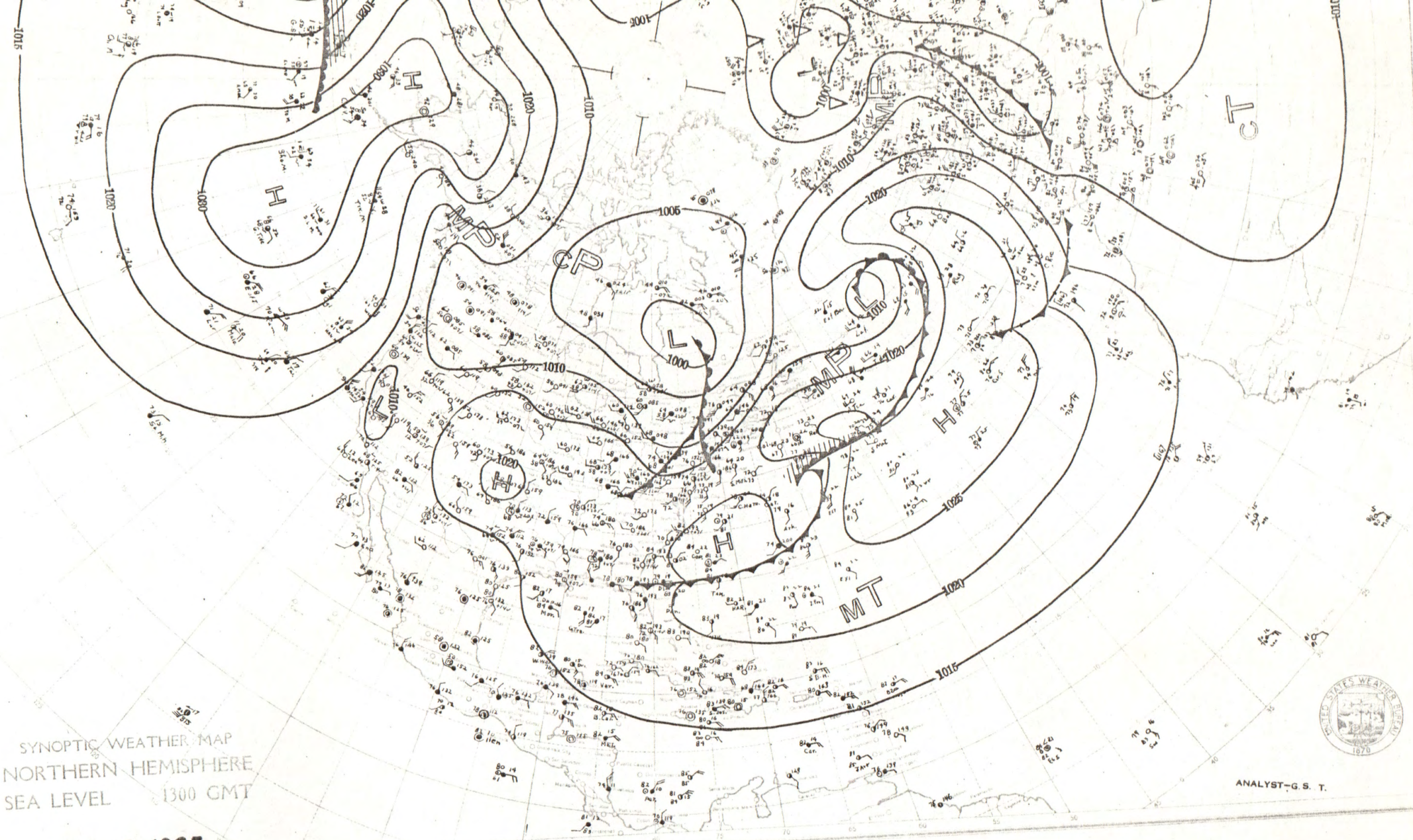


Norwich

This shows the effects of a cyclonic storm in North Harwich Township, Oxford County. Top shows barn on farm of John R. Sage, in which the tenant, William McKay, was killed. One son was pinned under a dead cow for an hour and a half. The animal had to be cut in half to release the boy. The lower view shows the barn on farm of Peter McNally, near by, also levelled by the cyclone. Inset, left to right, are Bernard and LeRoy McKay, who escaped from barn. Bernard was carried over a fence by the velocity of the wind.


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