

MAIN WEATHER PATTERNS DURING THE MONTH OVER AND AROUND THE BRITISH ISLES

After an almost complete reversal in the mean monthly pressure pattern from March to April, there was another switch-round from April to May, with the pattern reverting to one with marked similarities to that of March. Pressure was low to the west of the British Isles, and high to the northeast and southeast, with pronounced troughing from the Atlantic low across the British Isles. Thus, southerly or southwesterly winds predominated, but the airflow over the country had its origins over mid-Atlantic, rather than over the Continent; this air was pulled well south before being brought into the British Isles, and hence picked up a lot of moisture over the warmer seas. A succession of rain-belts or showery airflows thus crossed the country, and the areas most exposed to the south and west came off worst; the well-sheltered northeastern regions - especially along the Moray Firth and in the Aberdeen area - had a dry, warm and sunny month (see maps on page 4).

It was the 7th before the southerly winds became established over the country; prior to this the legacy of the late April cold snap was retained with, initially, northerly winds over the British Isles, and then, on the 3rd, a depression tracking east-south-east across northern regions. As this depression filled to the east of Britain during the 4th and 5th, the next in the series turned northeast to the northwest of Scotland, and by the 7th the pattern of low pressure to the west and high pressure to the east was set. On the 9th, the main depression was over Biscay, and this pushed thundery troughs into southern Britain; subsequently this depression filled, and a weak low pressure area then prevailed over the British Isles for a few days, until a more definite southerly returned on the 15th. Further troughs, often thundery in character, moved north or northeast across most areas until the 25th, when the main centre of low pressure transferred into the British Isles; this had filled up by the 29th, and the month ended with the return of a southerly airflow.

SUMMARY OF UNITED KINGDOM WEATHER

Mostly warm, dry and sunny in the northeast; rather cool, dull and wet in much of south and west

The 1st and 2nd were cold days; there were sunny periods and some hail and snow showers in most districts, but many southern counties were fairly cloudy, with a fair amount of rain early on the 2nd in the southwest. After a frosty start in England and Wales on the 3rd, rain spread from the west to most of the British Isles; it stayed cold, and many southern districts were windy. Cold, showery weather returned on the 4th (Bank Holiday Monday), with snow, hail and thunder in various districts, but also quite a lot of sunshine. Early on the 5th, there was a widespread frost, severe in parts of the north, with temperatures down to -6°C . The east and north was sunny for a time, but rain spread from the southwest during the day.

Temperatures rose significantly in most places on the 6th, but it was rather cloudy with a little rain at times, and fog near southern coasts. The 7th was mostly warm and humid, but again fairly cloudy. Rain, mostly light, fell at some time in the day in most districts, and some heavy, thundery outbreaks moved north over parts of central and eastern England during the afternoon and evening. The 8th was, generally, a brighter day, especially in the southwest, with 14 hours of sunshine at Camborne. However, there was very little sunshine towards eastern and northern coasts, with rain and fog early in the day here. Fog again affected many eastern coasts on the 9th, whilst some inland regions of Scotland had a slight frost early in the day. Some western and northern regions had sunny periods during the day, but generally it was cloudy with outbreaks of rain spreading northwest. There were also thunderstorms, chiefly in the southeast in the evening.

The night of 9th/10th was very wet in southwest Britain, with 37 millimetres of rain at Culdrose, but most of the British Isles became dry during the 10th. After some early thundery rain in the south and fog elsewhere, the 11th was probably the sunniest and warmest day of the month country-wide; the temperature reached 25°C on the Cumbrian coast,

as it did in western Scotland on the 12th, though this was, generally, a cooler, more cloudy day. The best of the sunshine and highest temperatures were in the northwest, where they were followed by thunderstorms in the evening. Fog plagued much of the east coast on the 13th; elsewhere, there was some warm sunshine, but with rain at times in the west, Cornwall, in particular, having a cold, wet day. More thunderstorms broke out in the northwest in the evening; 45 millimetres fell in a few hours at Carmoney (Londonderry). The 14th was a day of sunshine and showers for most regions. There was abundant sunshine in the east and north on the 15th, though there were still a few coastal fog banks, and local thunderstorms developed. Rain spread slowly northeast across southwestern Britain, and continued on into northern districts on the 16th, to be followed by cooler, breezy, showery weather in the south; most places were showery on the 17th, though many coastal regions had a lot of sunshine. Much of Scotland had further sunshine on the 18th, but cloud and rain spread slowly north over southern and central Britain and Northern Ireland. There were some further outbreaks of rain on the 19th, whilst it was the turn of central regions to have a mainly sunny day.

An extensive area of thundery outbreaks moved north across the British Isles during the 20th; in many areas the storms were short-lived, but they gave local heavy falls of rain in parts of the southwest in the early hours, and around the Pennines in the afternoon. Outside of the storms, it was bright and warm. On the 21st, central and eastern England had some further rain, locally heavy and thundery; most other areas had some sunshine and showers. The 22nd was a mostly sunny day near southeastern coasts, but generally showery elsewhere, and it was cooler. A spell of more persistent rain affected all areas for a time on the 23rd, the weather turning more showery from the southwest during the day. The 24th was cool but quite sunny in many coastal areas, though there were a fair number of heavy, and locally thundery, showers inland. The Bank Holiday Monday on 25th was cold and wet over much of England and Wales, except the far southwest and northeast. Much of Scotland was sunny, though still not all that warm, and there local thunderstorms in the evening. Thundery showers affected many areas on the 26th and 27th, with two deaths due to lightning reported on Snowdon and at Prestwick. The western side of Glasgow experienced one of its worst thunderstorms for many years on the afternoon of the 27th; 60.4mm of rain fell at Abbotsinch with 25.2mm between 1400 and 1500, during which time the temperature fell from 14°C to 7°C, street lights came on, and there was much local flooding. The month ended much more quietly, with higher temperatures and some sunshine, although some heavy, thundery rain did affect parts of southwest Britain early on the 31st and northern England and southern Scotland later on the same day.

Thunder was heard on 10 days in the month at Bedford. It was the dullest May since 1932 in central London.

The SPRING (March to May 1981) was exceptionally dull in most of southern Britain, and some areas - particularly those hit by the late April blizzard - were very wet. Temperatures were mostly above normal.

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THE MONTH'S FIGURES

Figures and maps are based on data received by the end of the month, and are given as a guide to the month's weather; absolute accuracy cannot be guaranteed. The 'Monthly Weather Report' published by HMSO some months in arrears, should be used as the standard reference, as it makes use of much more data, which has also been checked for errors.

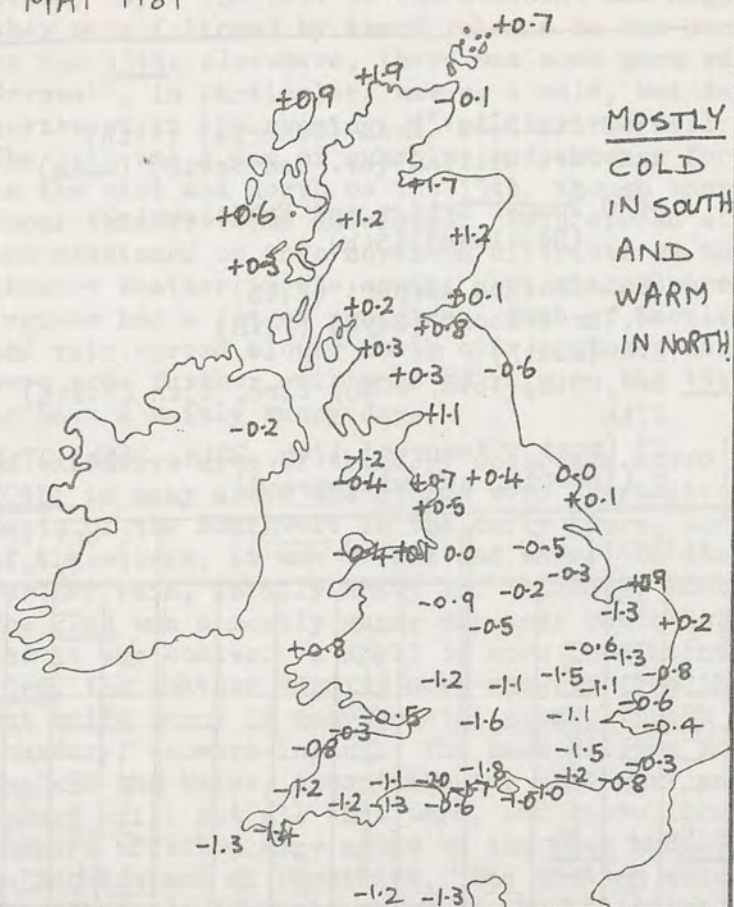
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Highest temperature	: 25°C St. Bees' Head (Cumbria) (11th) and Fort William (nr. Ben Nevis) (12th)
Lowest temperature	: -6°C Tummel Bridge and Eskdalemuir (Scotland) (5th)
Most rain in a 24-hour period from 0900 GMT	: 60mm Glasgow Airport (27th)
Most sunshine in one day	: 14.7hr Prabost (Skye) (17th)
Windy days (over large areas)	: 3rd (south)
Wettest days (over large areas)	: 3rd, 9th, 16th, 20th, 23rd, 25th (South) 27th
Number of days thunder heard somewhere	: 25 (most widespread 17th, 20th, 26th, 27th)
Number of days snow falling somewhere	: 6 (1st-6th, not widespread)

STATION	TEMPERATURE °C										RAINFALL					SUNSHINE					At any time of day/night			
	Mean Maximum	Diff. from normal (1941-70)	Mean Minimum	Diff. from normal (1941-70)	Highest Maximum	Lowest Maximum	Highest Minimum	Lowest Minimum	Nights of Air Frost	Total (0900-0900) (mm)	Percentage of normal (1941-70)	Days with 0.2mm + (Rain Days)	Most in 24hrs (0900-0900) (mm)	Date	Total (Hours)	Percentage of normal (1941-70)	Days with no Sun	Most Sun (Hours)	Date	Days of Snow or Sleet falling	Days of Thunder heard	Days of Hail falling	Days of Fog (<1000m vis)	
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BELTICK	15.2	-1.5	8.2	+2.3	22	9	14	-2	2	101	190	21	16	15 th	133	63	1	11.3	24 th	0	5	0	5	
BUNSTON	15.0	-0.4	7.8	±0.0	23	9	12	0	0	53	135	16	14	9 th	174	79	0	12.4	15 th	0	6	1	6	
BURN	14.8	-1.8	8.1	+1.6	19	10	12	-1	1	104	170	21	13	15 th	142	66	0	11.2	14 th	0	3	0	1	
BURNSEY	13.2	-1.2	8.9	+0.3	18	8	12	3	0	106	205	26	13	9 th	137	55	3	11.0	25 th	0	1	1	11	
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BUNNINGTON	15.6	-1.3	7.2	+0.3	23	8	12	-1	3	70	168	20	11	27 th	157	75	0	13.0	15 th	0	7	2	2	
BURNMOUTH	13.7	-1.2	8.9	+0.7	19	9	12	2	0	116	173	24	11	9 th	145	66	4	12.2	14 th	0	2	0	5	
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BURNWAY	15.7	±0.0	8.2	+1.3	23	10	12	2	0	48	75	18	6	25 th	151	82	1	12.6	11 th	1	2	2	1	
BUNTON	15.3	-0.5	6.8	+0.6	22	9	10	1	0	89	158	21	11	15 th	128	69	2	10.1	15 th	0	4	1	7	
BURNALL	15.6	-0.2	7.0	+0.6	21	9	11	0	0	87	155	18	27	25 th	128	73	2	10.1	15 th	0	6	1	6	
BURNICK	9.8	-0.3	5.8	+0.7	15	5	10	0	0	56	87	18	14	8 th	109	69	10	12.7	20 th	5	1	5	19	
BURNOWAY	13.2	+0.9	6.9	+0.9	19	7	10	-0	1	31	54	15	5	5 th	184	99	2	14.6	17 th	1	1	0	3	
BURN	13.9	+1.2	6.2	+1.2	20	8	11	-1	1	38	57	14	8	20 th	221	129	1	13.7	24 th	3	0	2	12	
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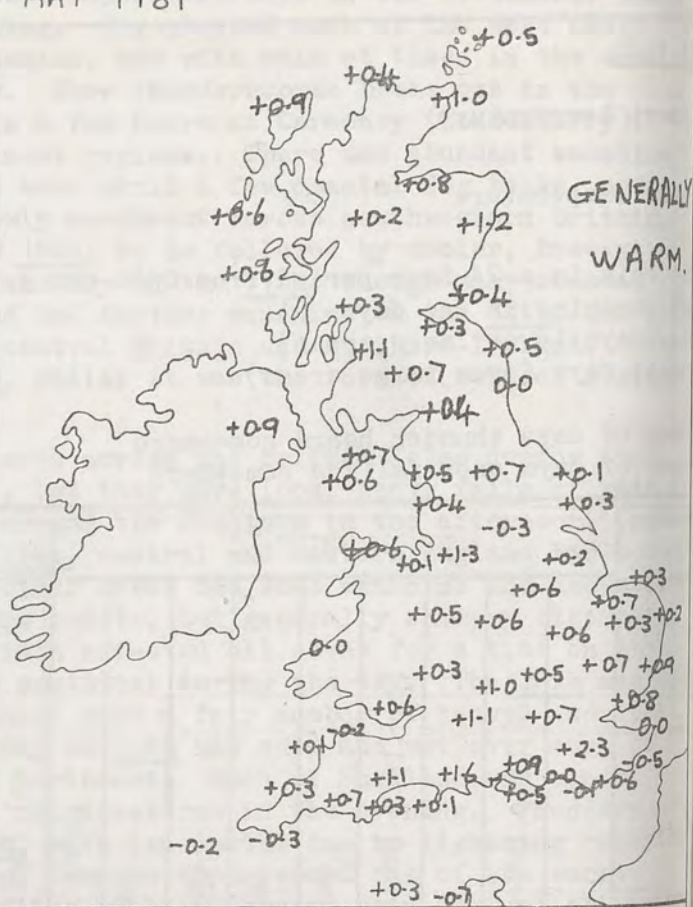
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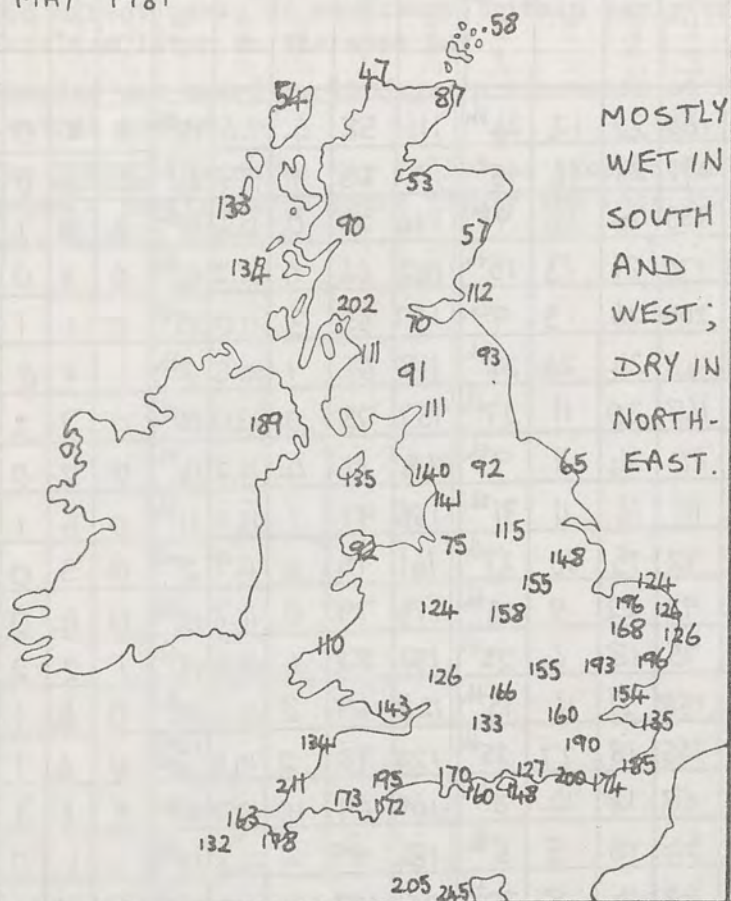
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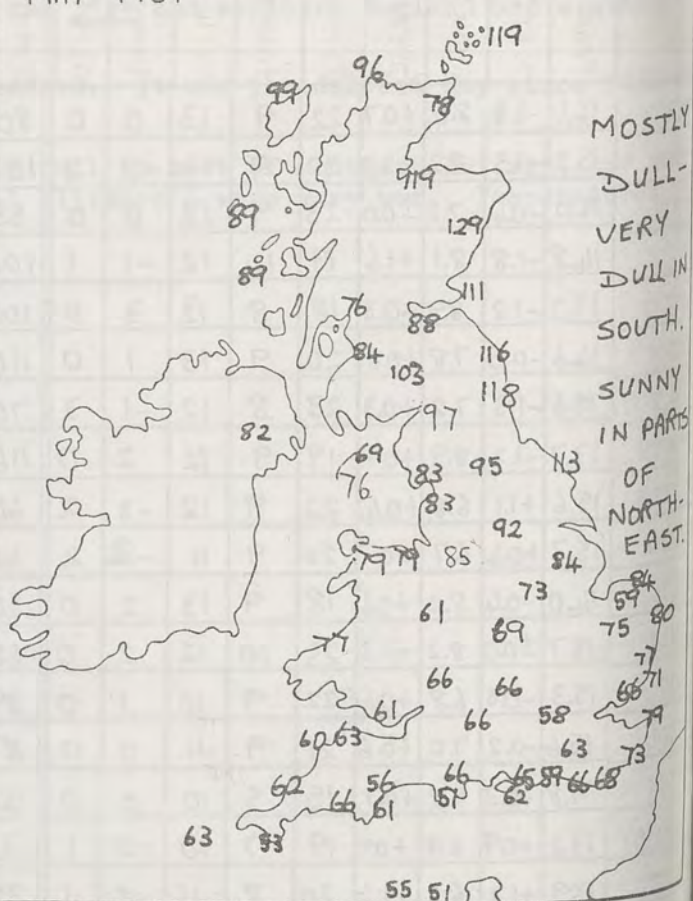
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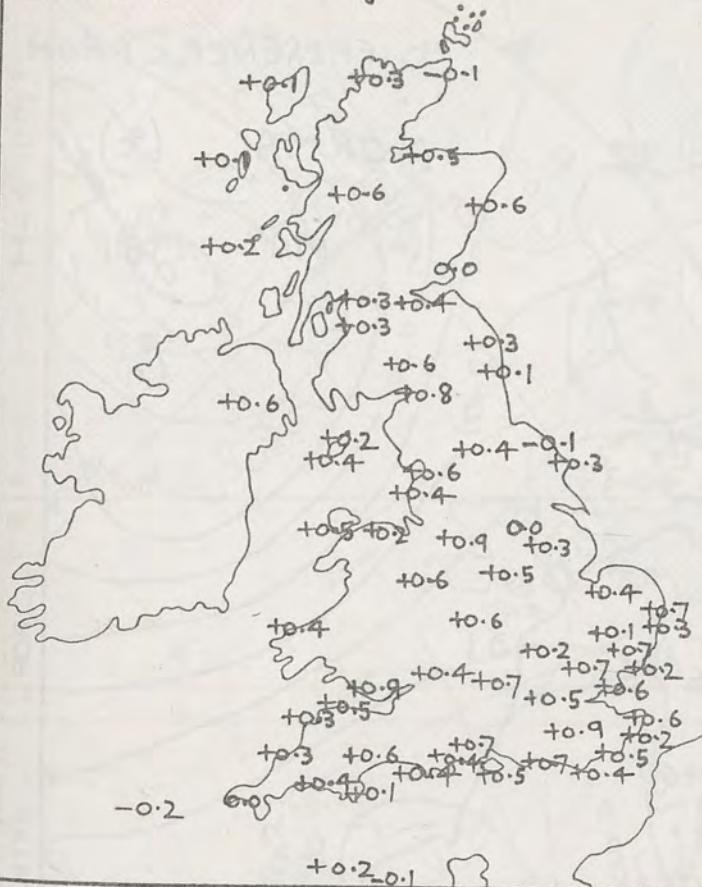


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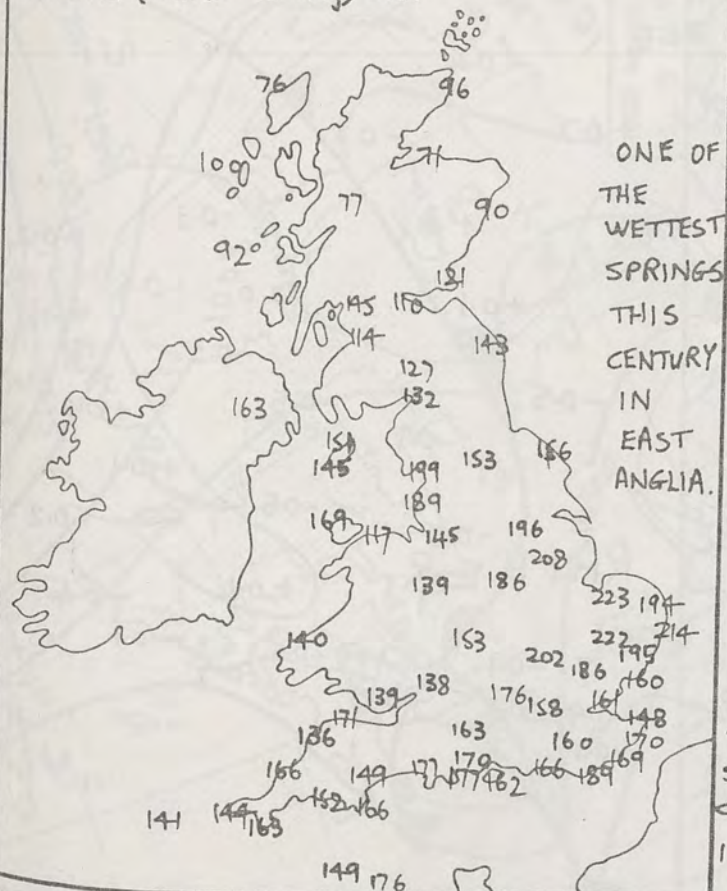
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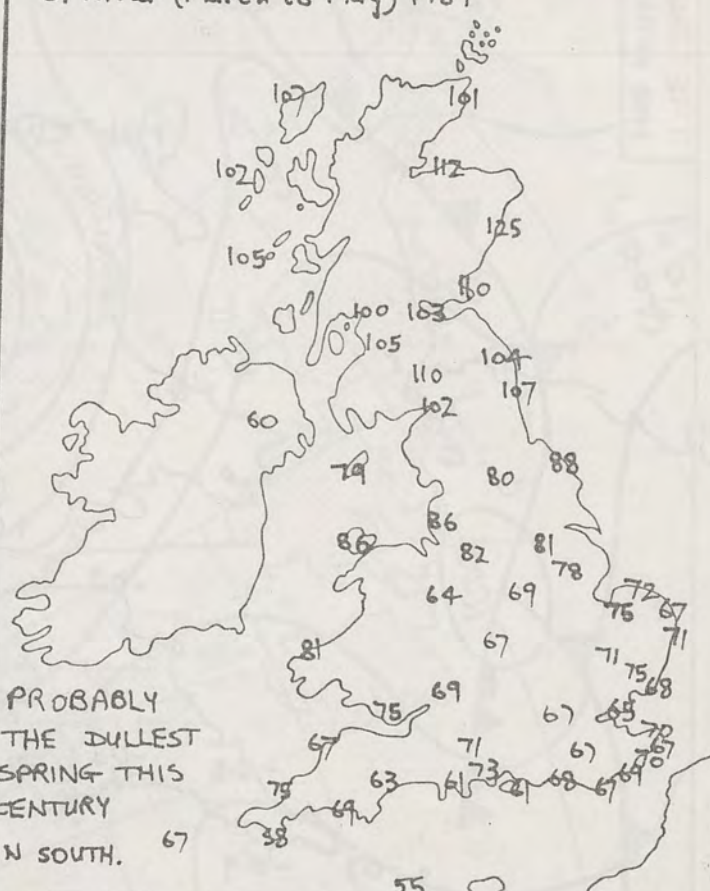


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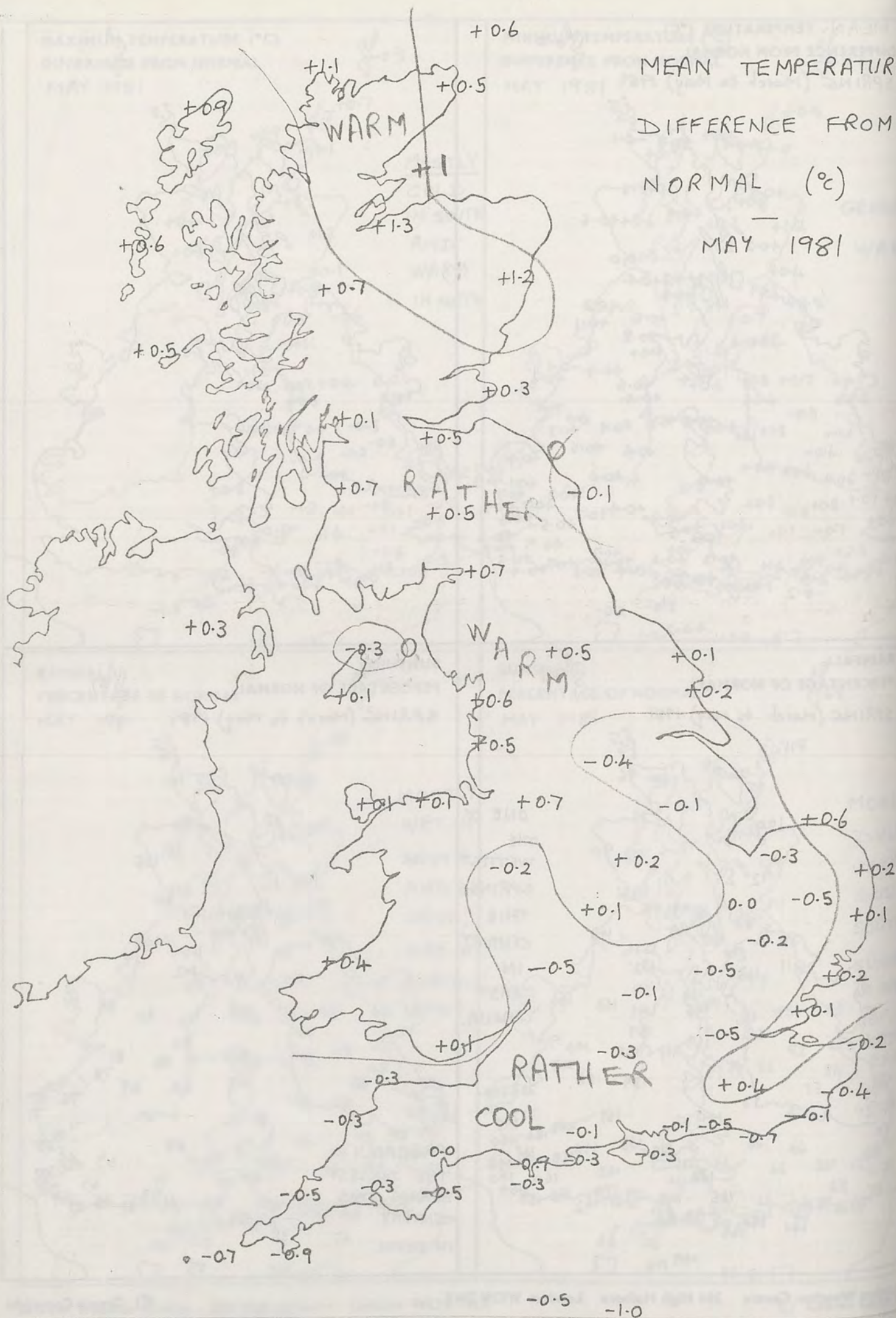
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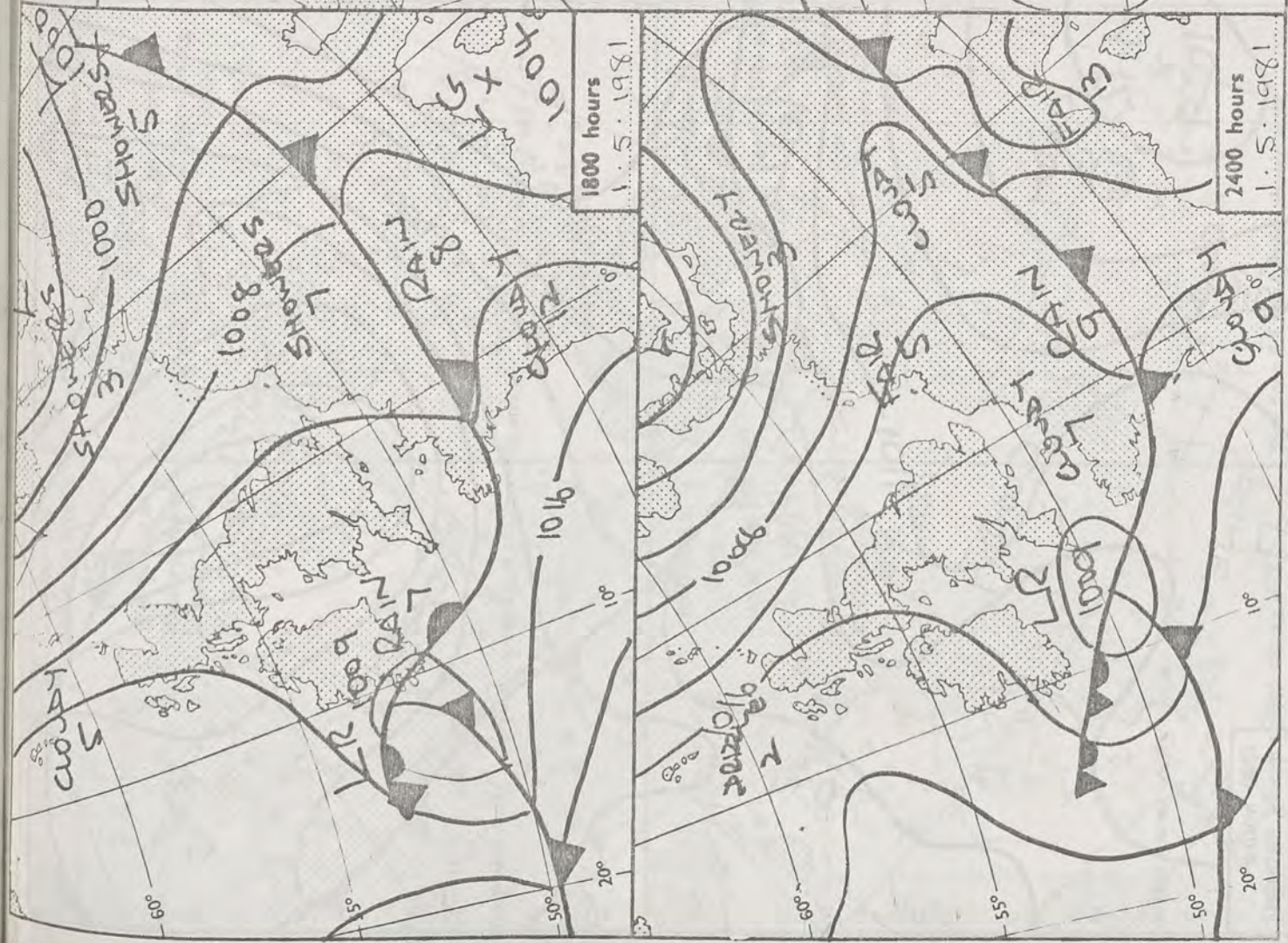


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FOR FRIDAY 1ST MAY 1981

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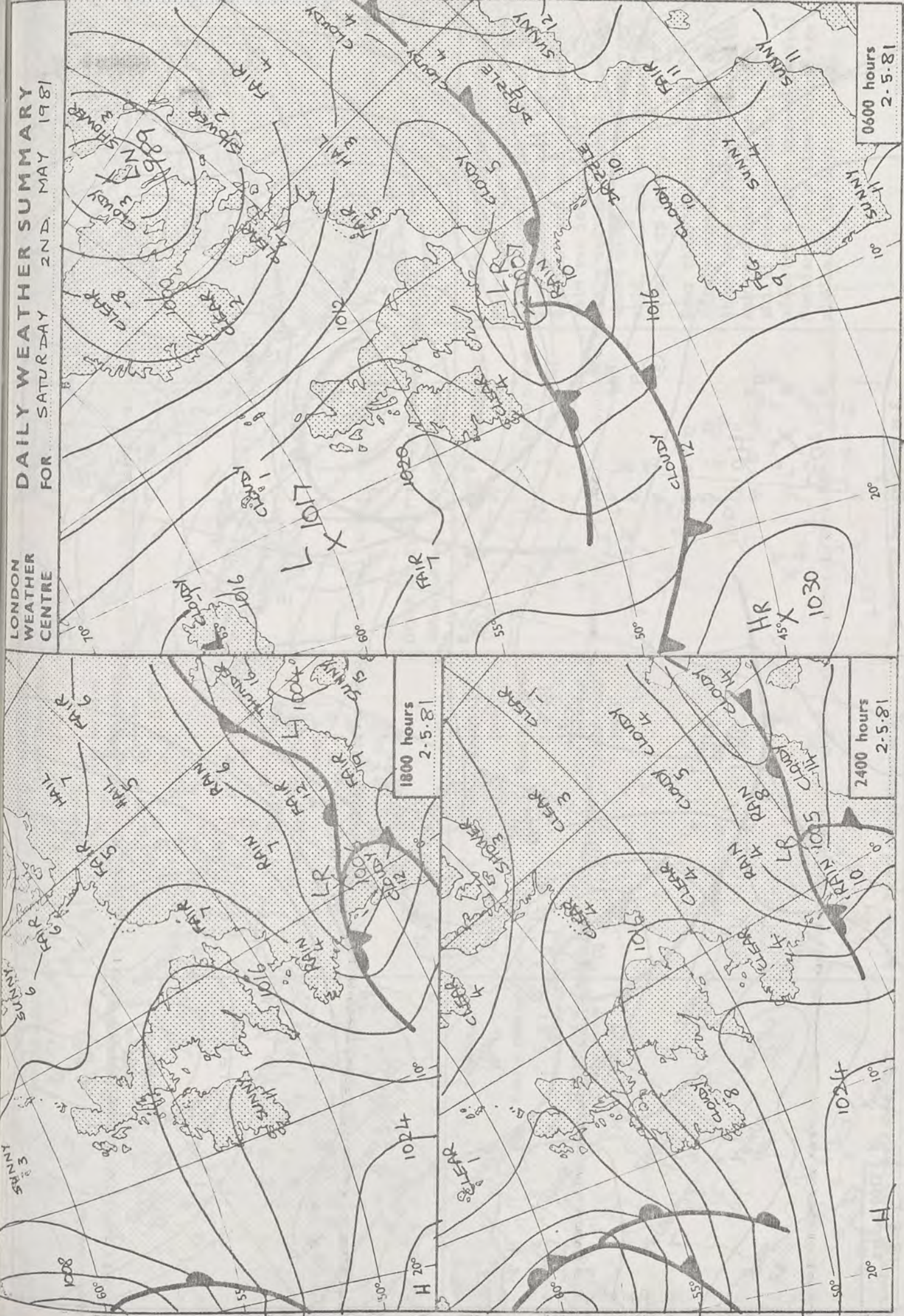


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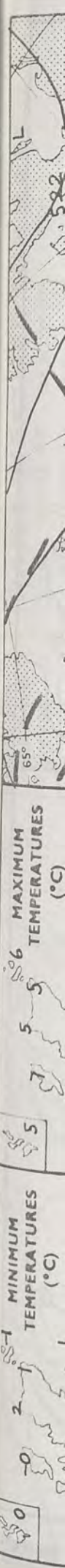
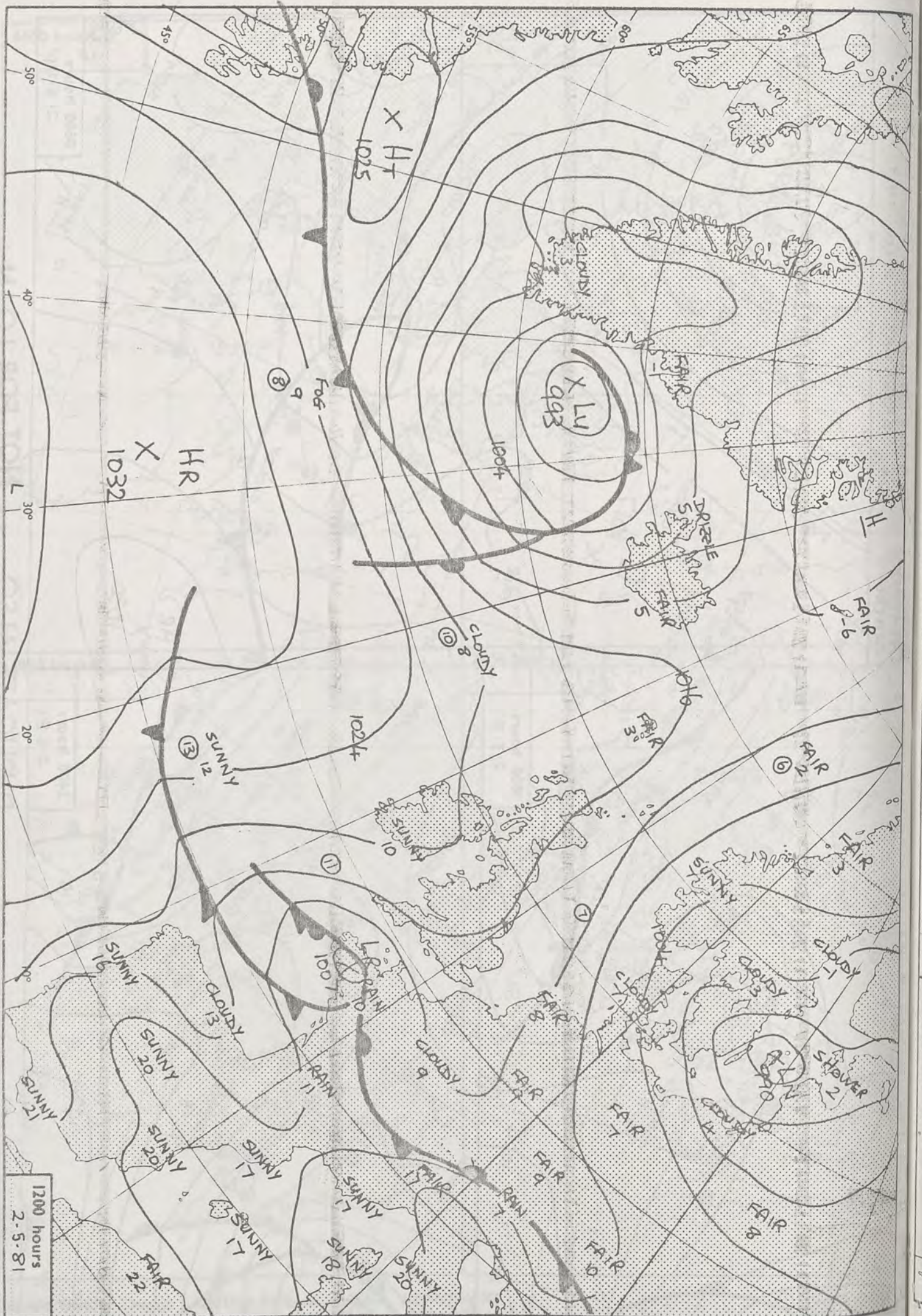
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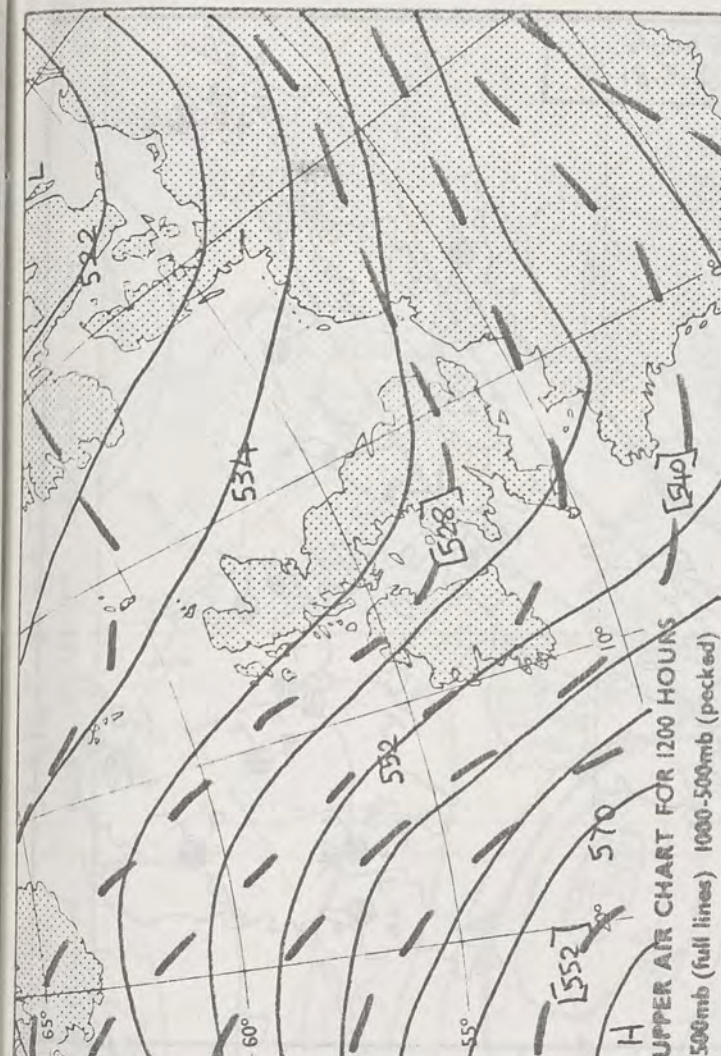
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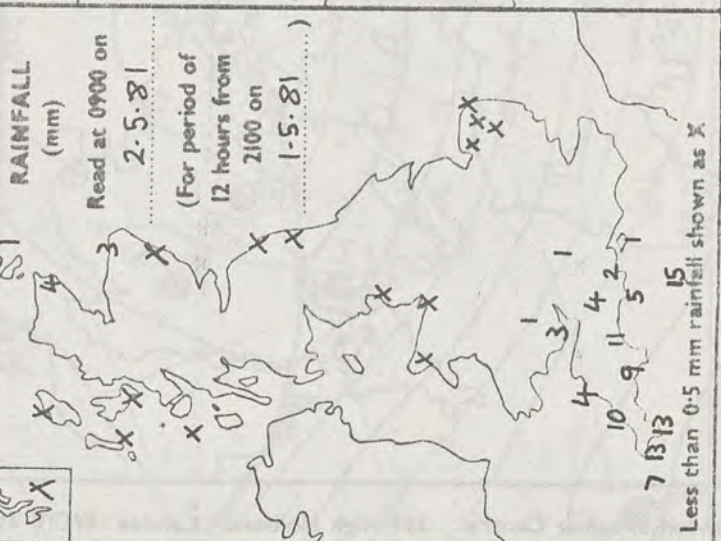
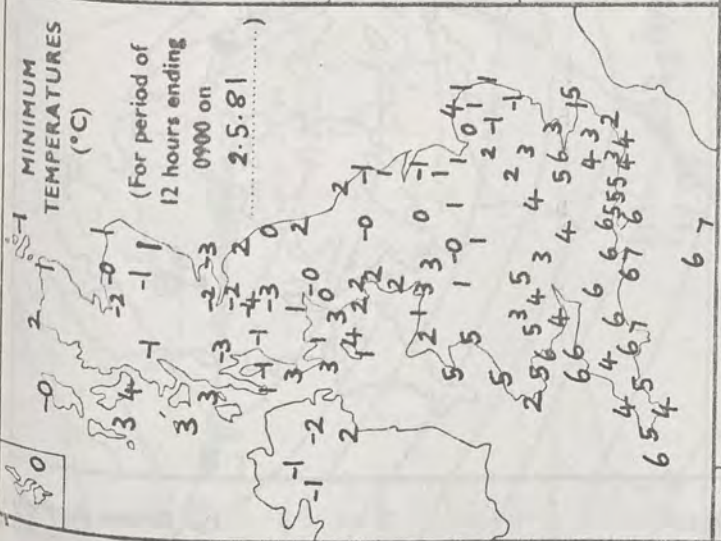
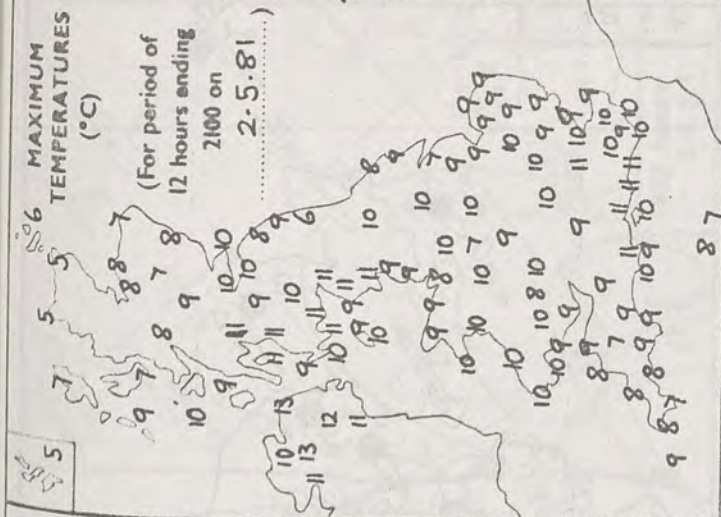
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UPPER AIR CHART FOR 1200 HOURS
500mb (full lines) 1000-500mb (pecked)

SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
There was rain overnight and at first in southwest England, and some adjacent areas. The heaviest and most persistent rain was in Cornwall, south Devon and the Channel Islands, where much of the day was very cold, dull and wet, though it cleared up later.
Most other districts had a fairly sunny, though cold day; there were a few showers, with snow and hail here and there, whilst more persistent rain affected a strip across central Scotland for a time around the middle of the day.



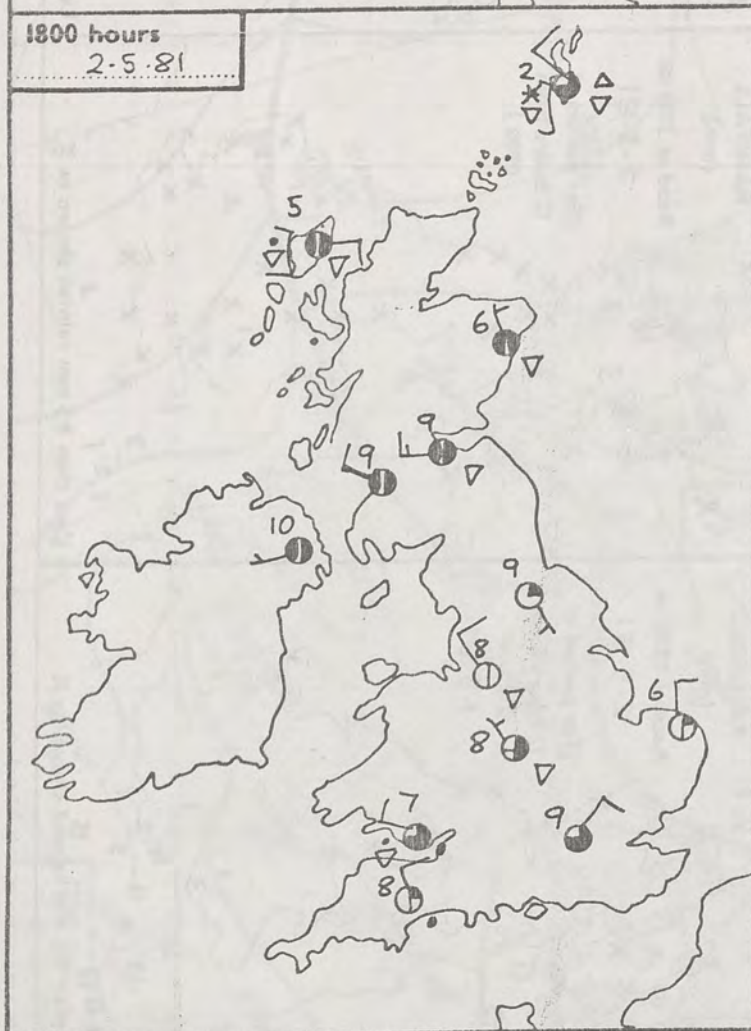
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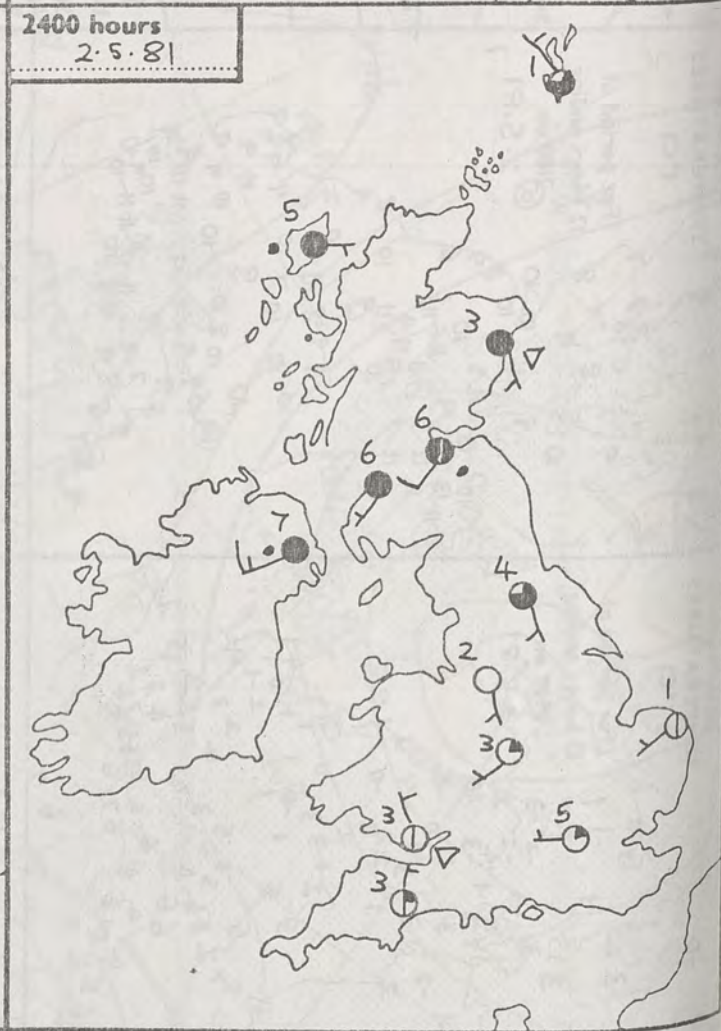
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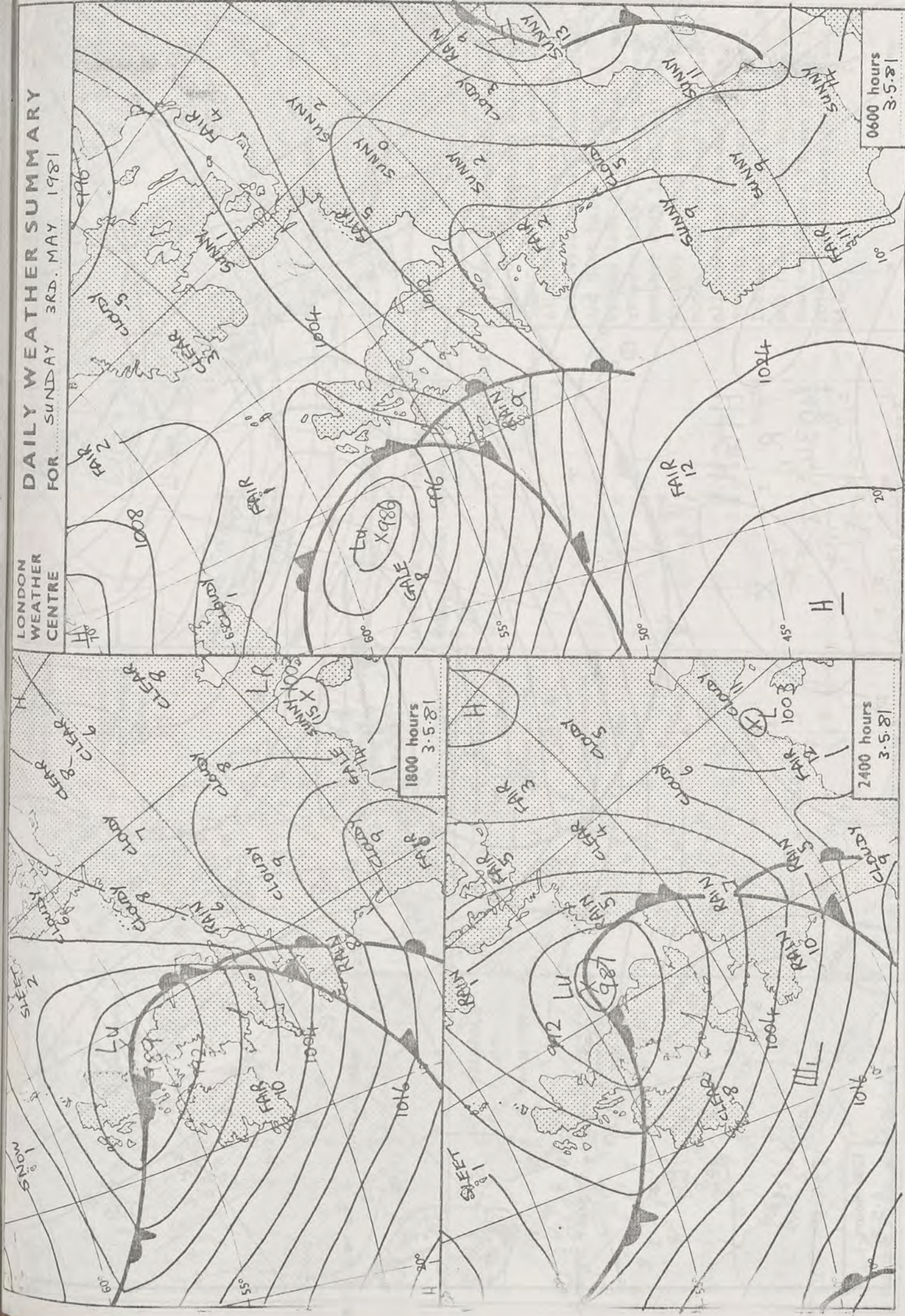


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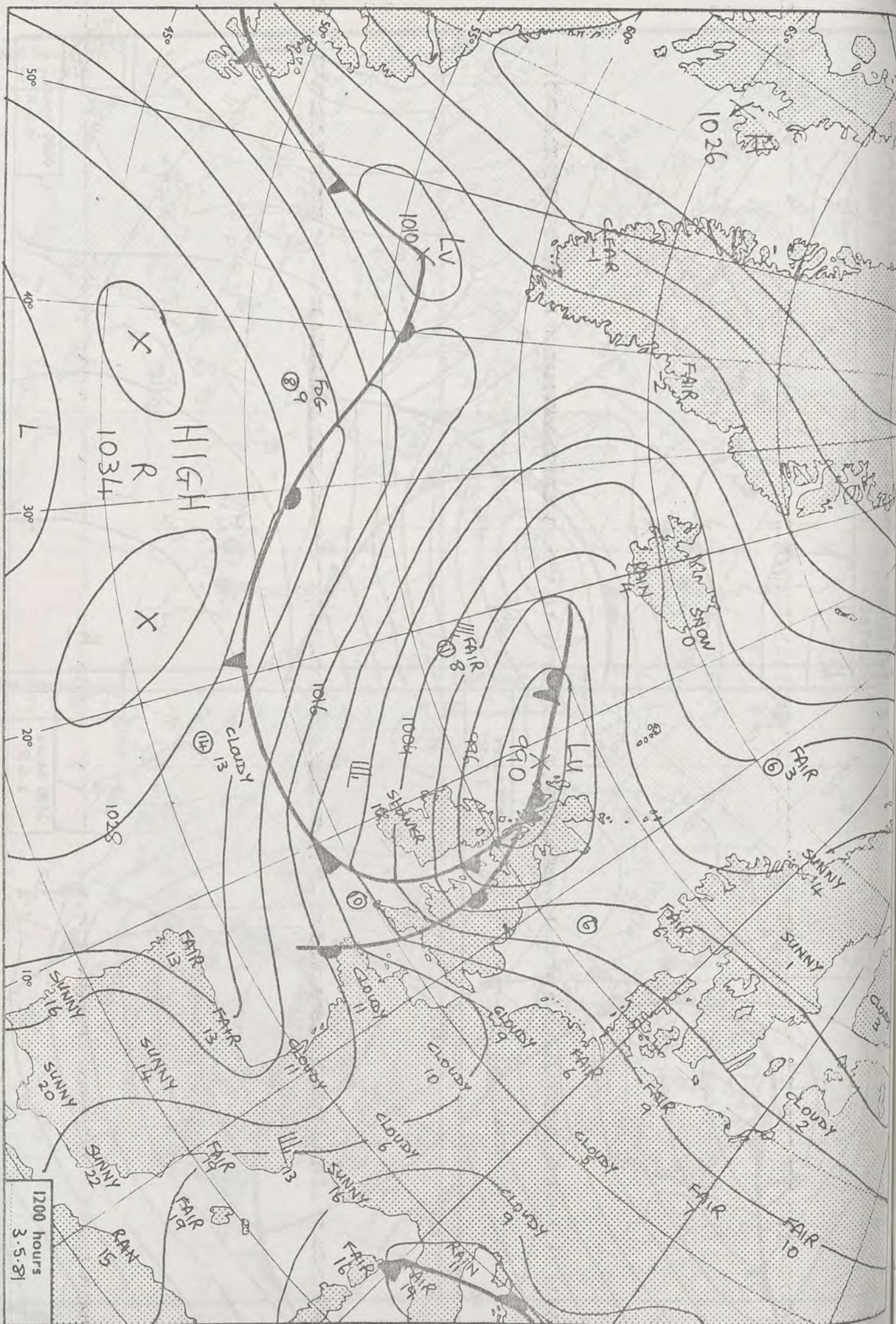


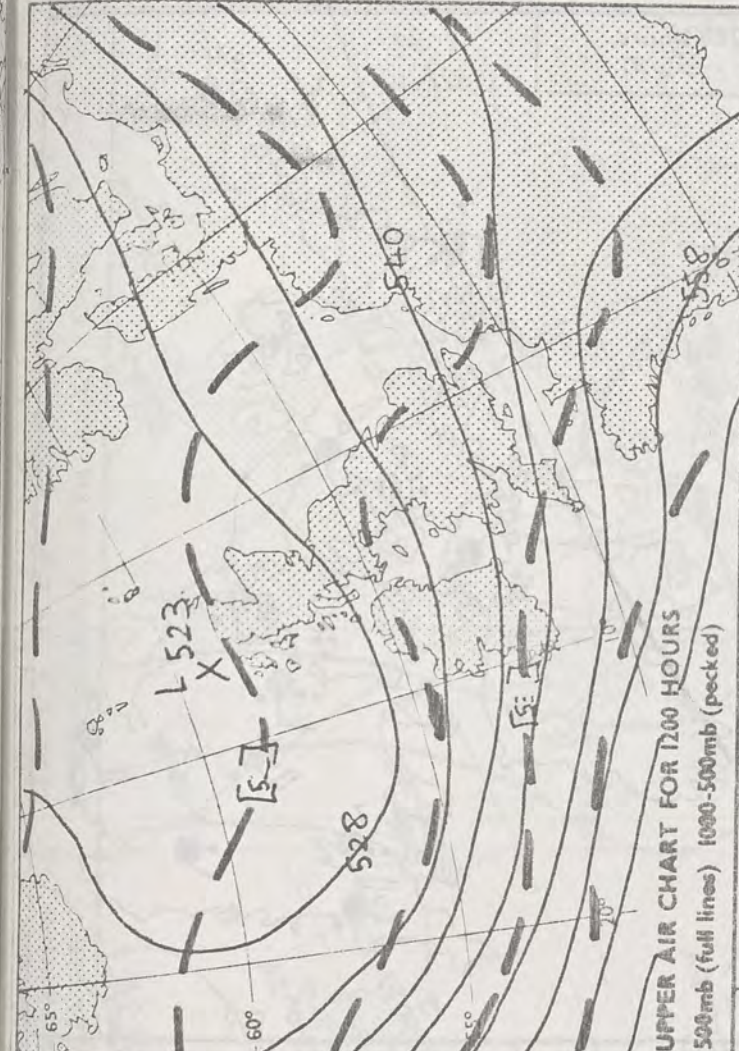
DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
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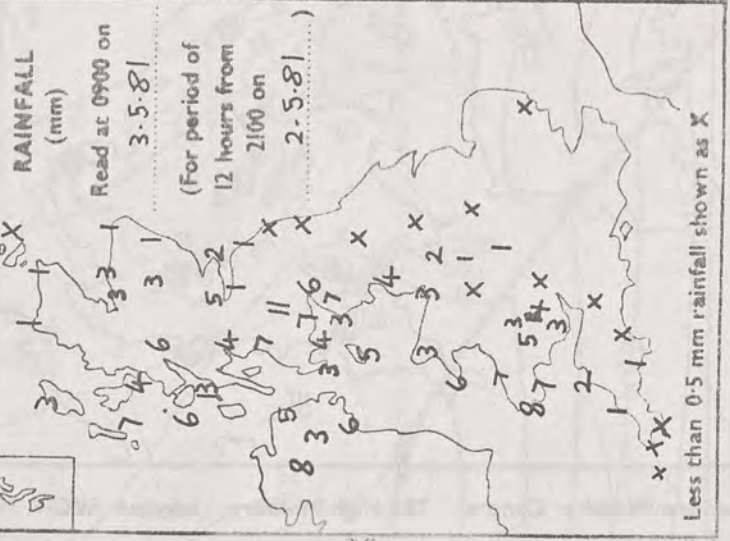
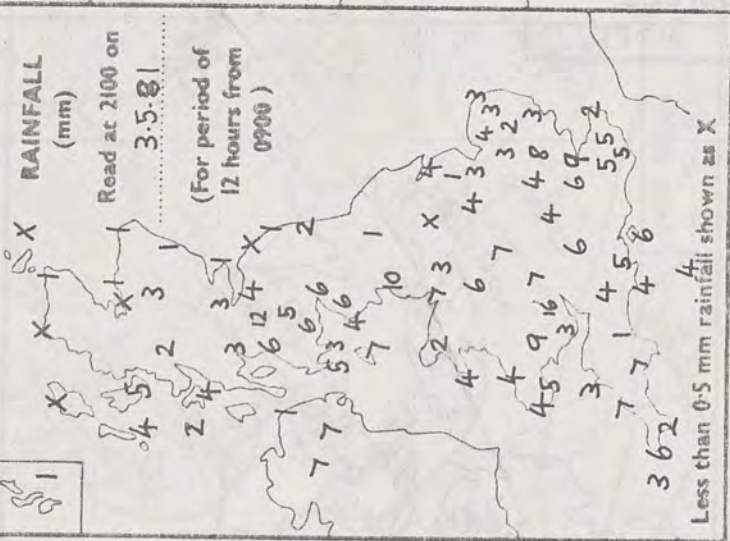
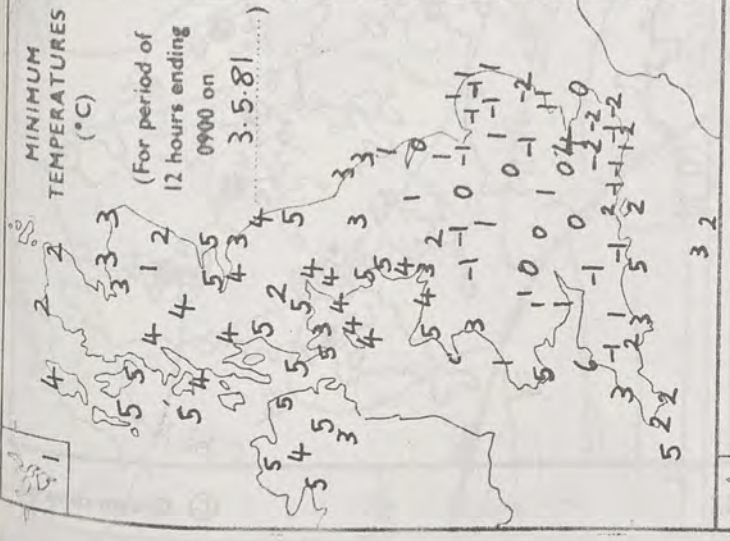
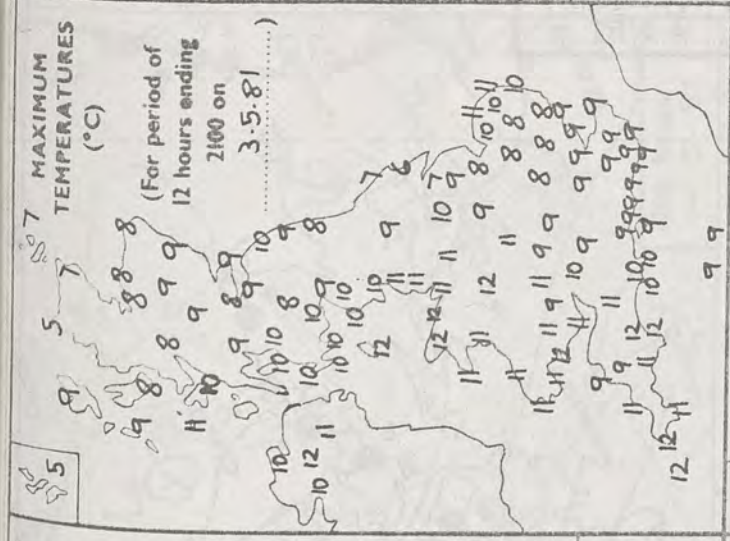
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UPPER AIR CHART FOR 1200 HOURS
500mb (full lines) 1000-500mb (pecked)

SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
Most of England and Wales was clear and cold with some frost at first but rain reached northwest and southwest England and West Wales by dawn and spread east to all areas by soon after midday. Clearer showery weather with local hail and thunder reached West Wales by midday and replaced the rain in all areas by the end of the evening. Scotland and Northern Ireland had a good deal of cloud and rain at times but there was some sunshine. It was generally cold, and southern Britain was windy.



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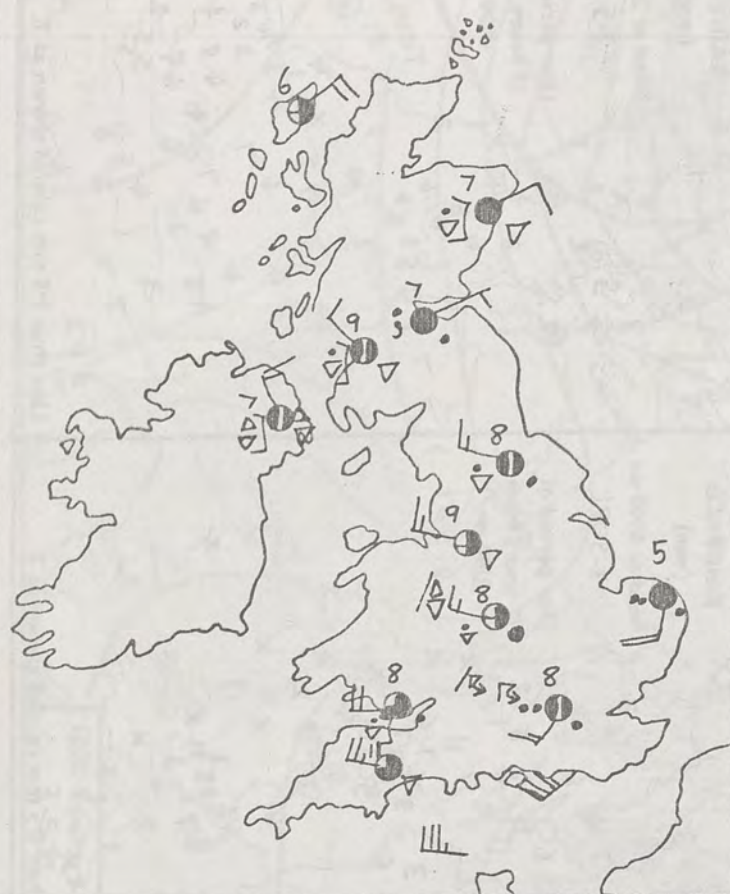
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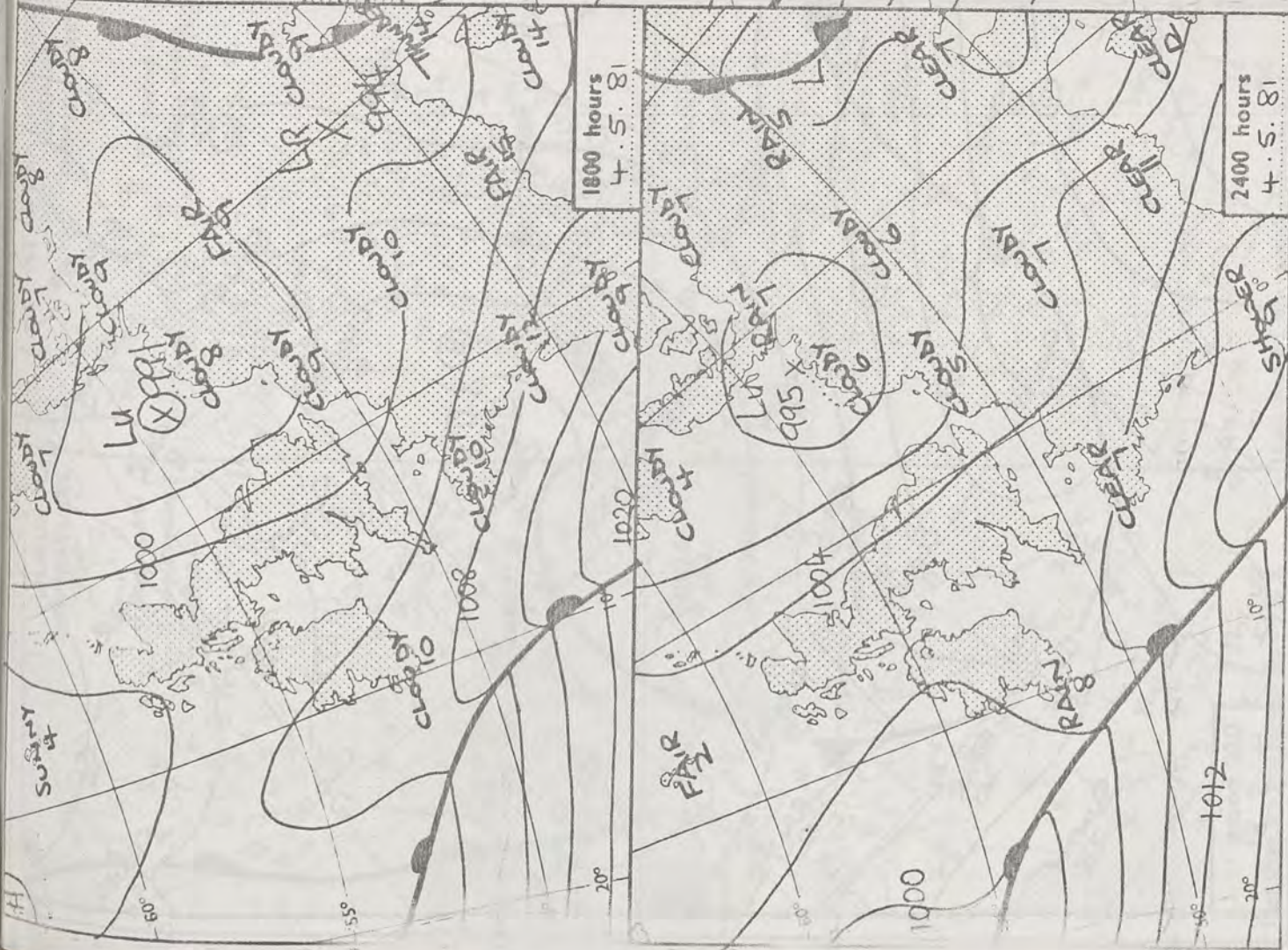


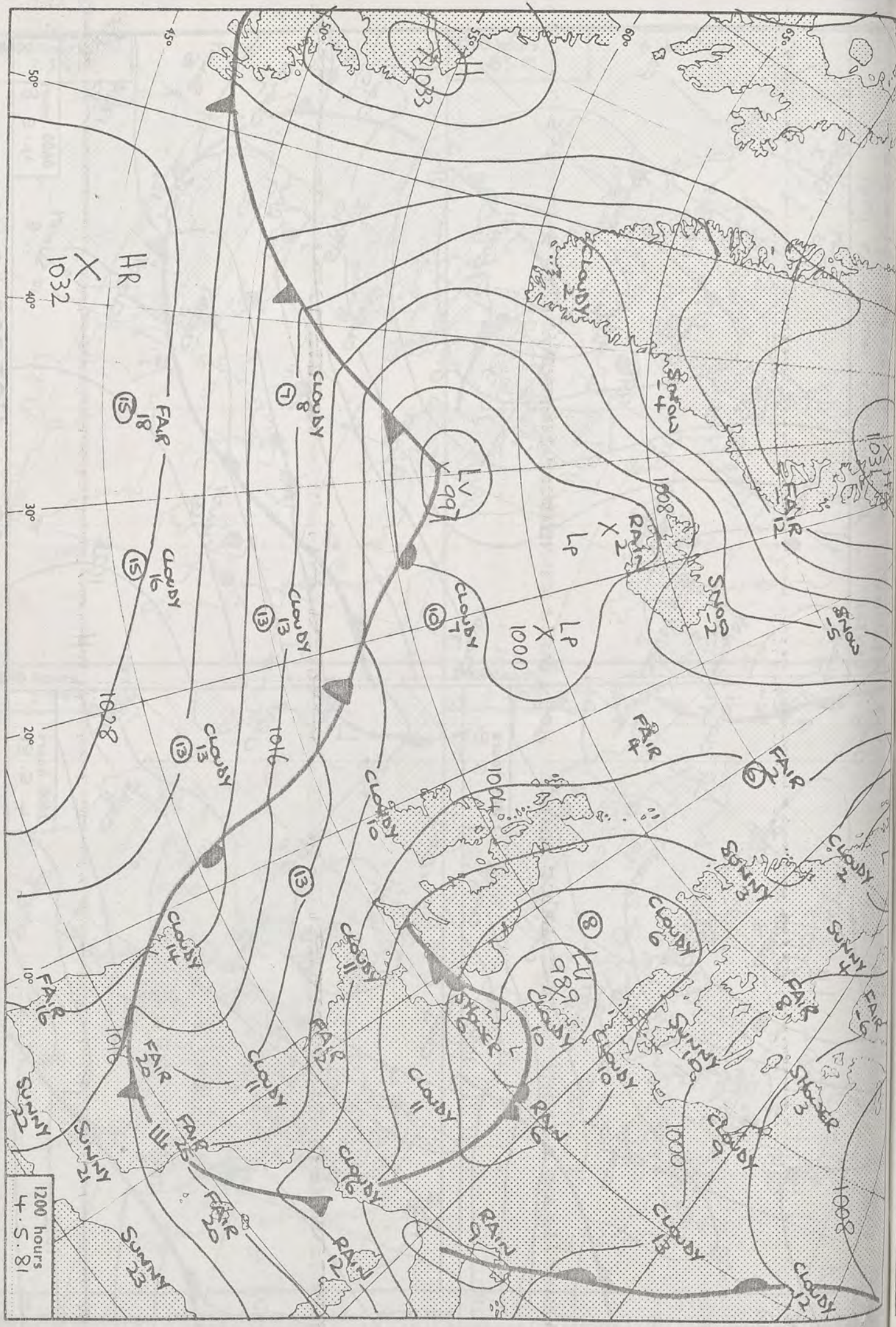
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DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY FOR MONDAY 4TH MAY 1981

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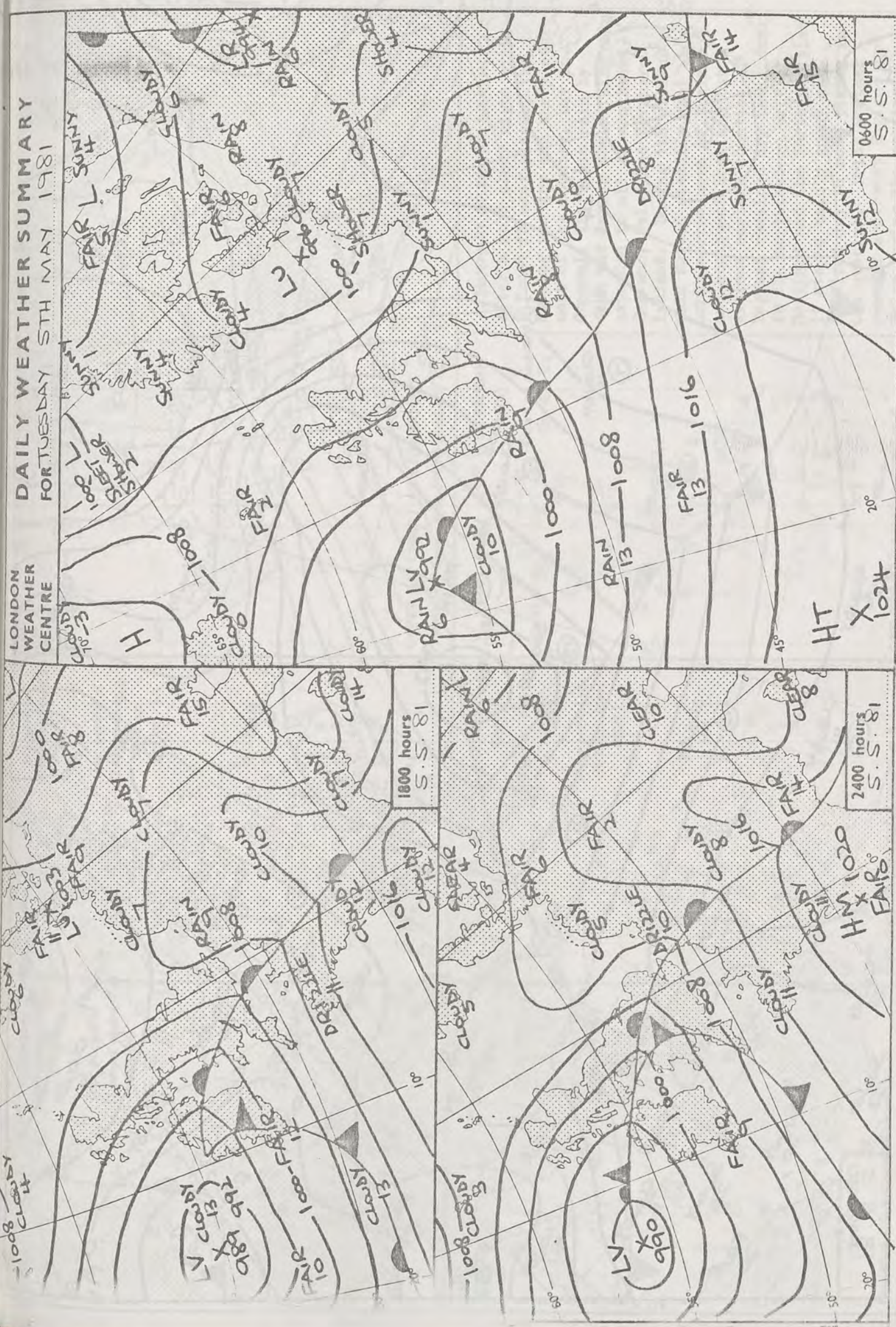


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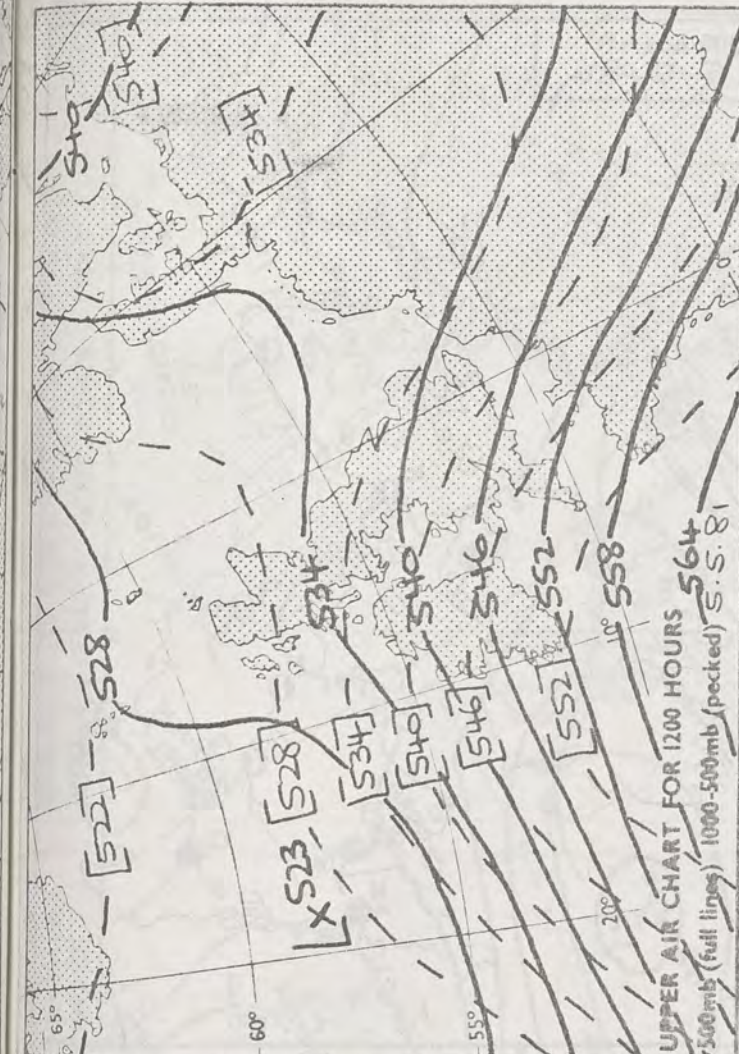


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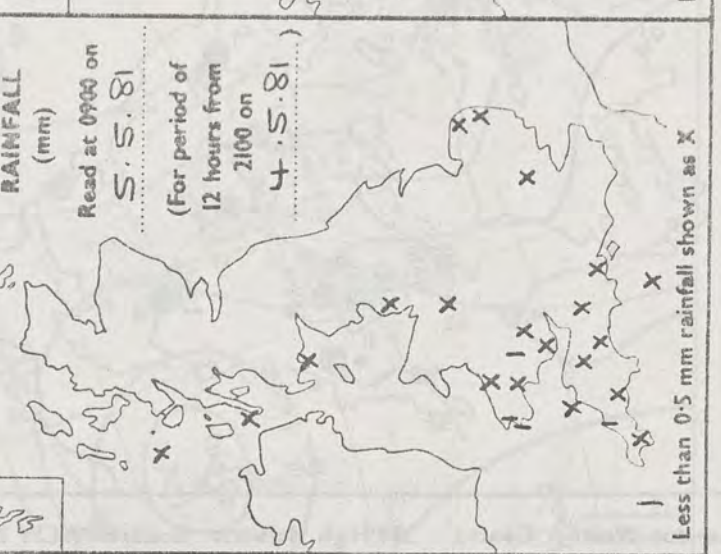
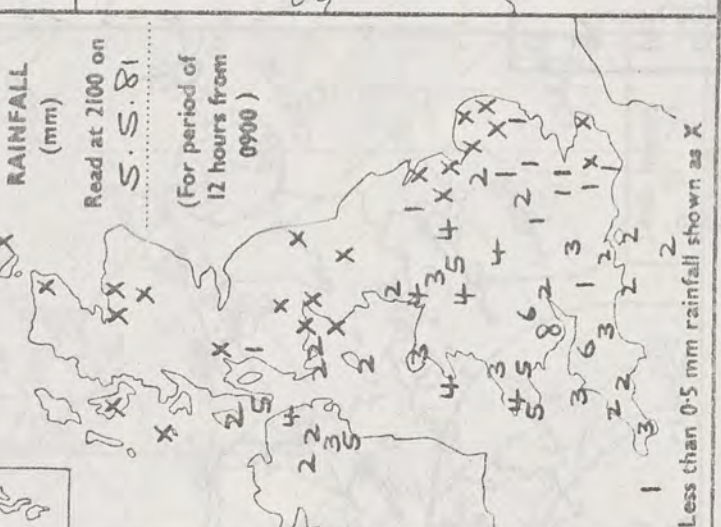
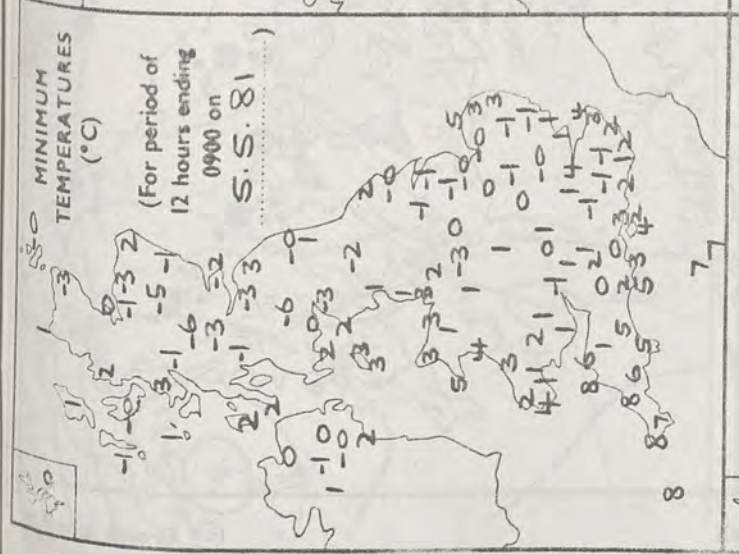
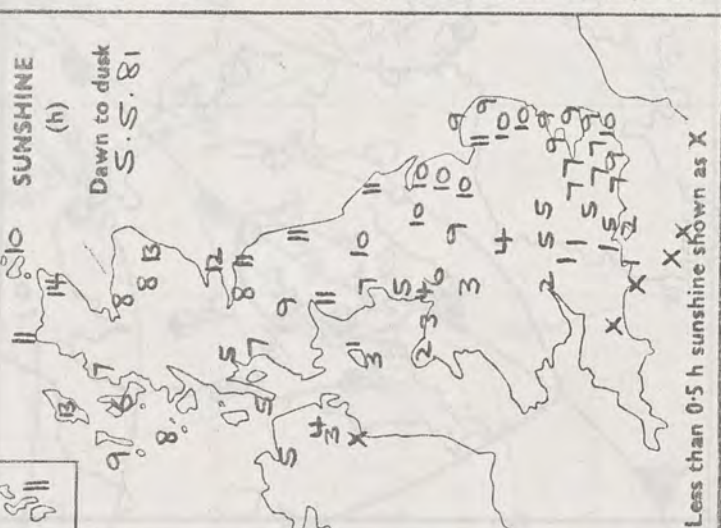
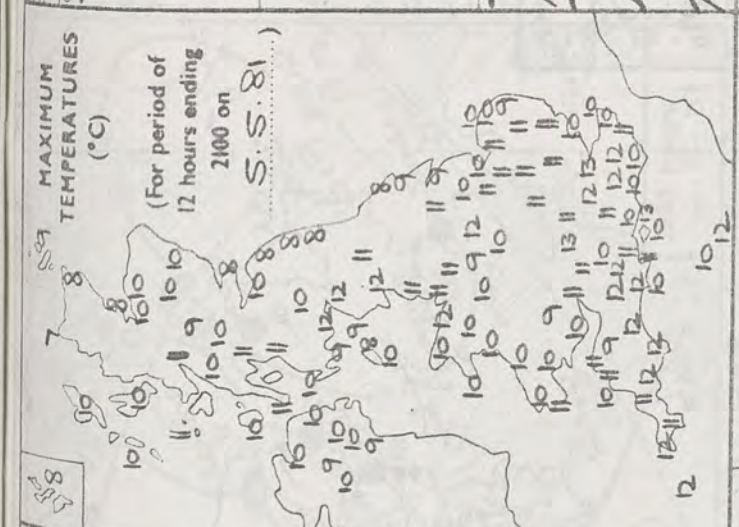
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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
After a cold clear night with a frost in many places, the morning was dry and sunny over most of the country, but in Cornwall there was rain by dawn and during the morning rain extended to all of southwest England, Wales and Northern Ireland. During the afternoon rain spread steadily east and north across most of England and southwest Scotland but extreme eastern counties of England remained dry until dusk. In the northeastern half of Scotland and the Northern Isles it stayed mainly sunny and remained dry in most places in the evening. Drier weather reached southwest England and Wales during the evening.



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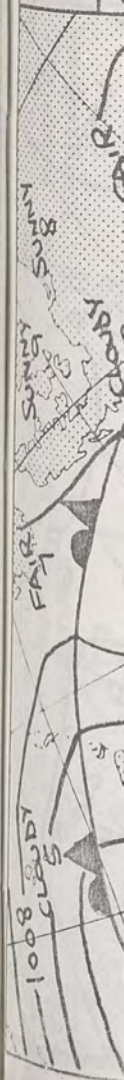
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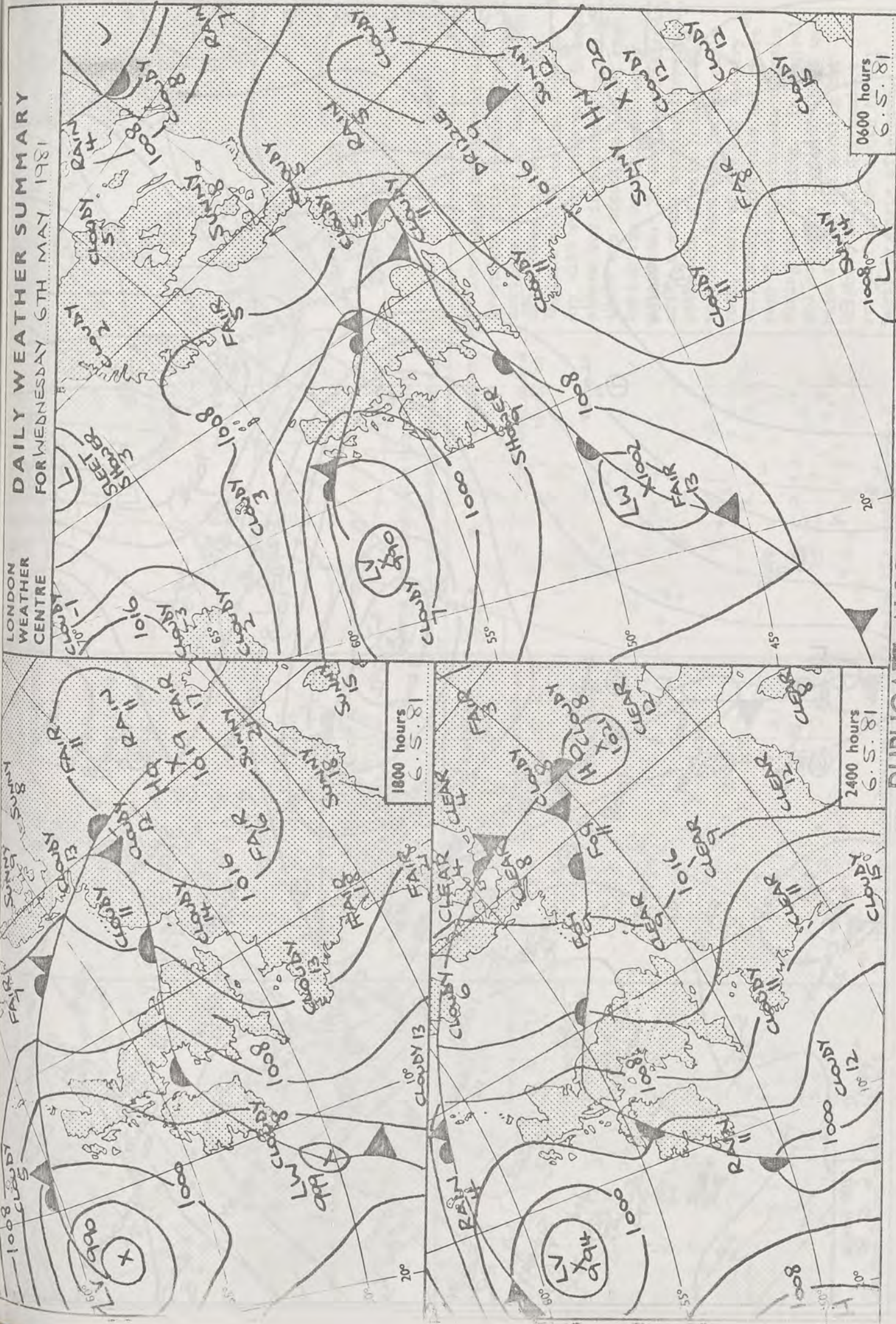


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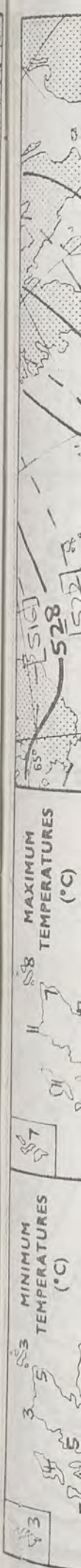
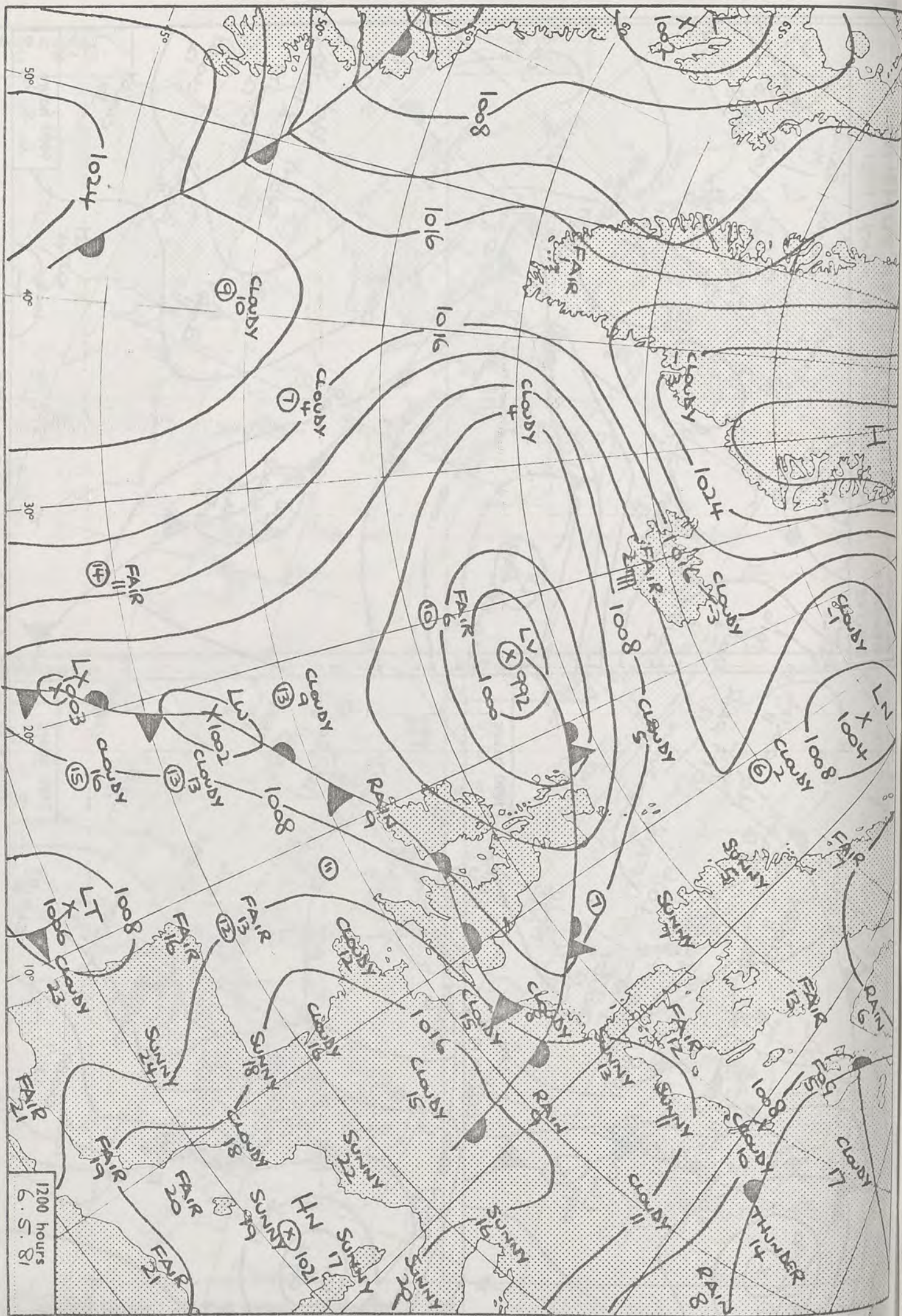


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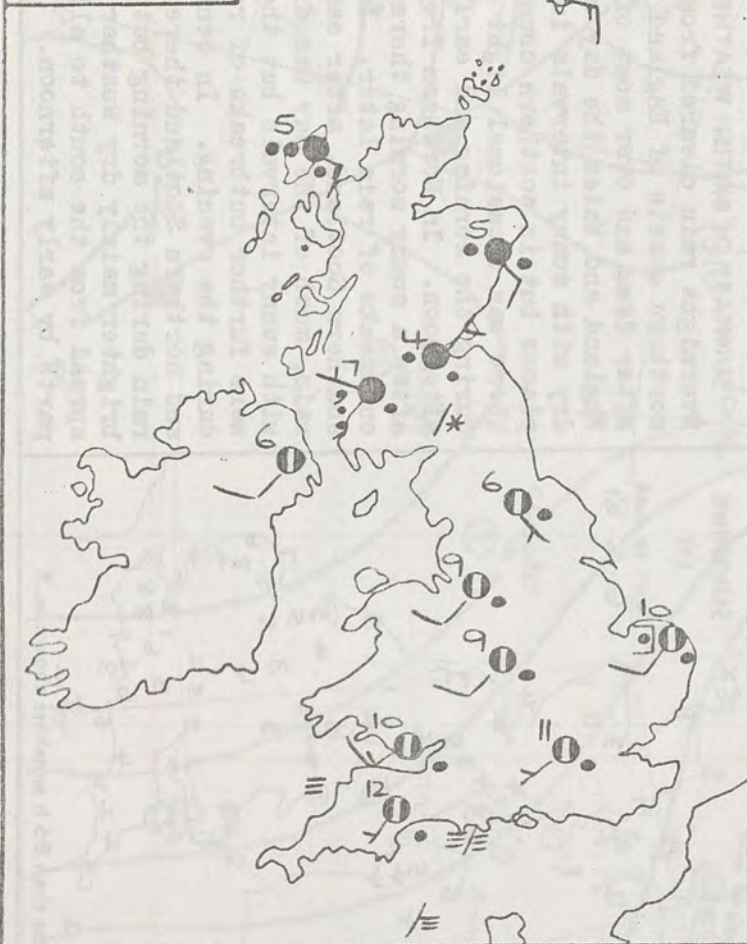




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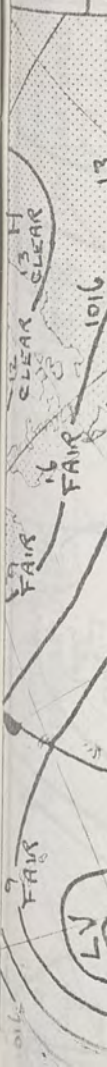


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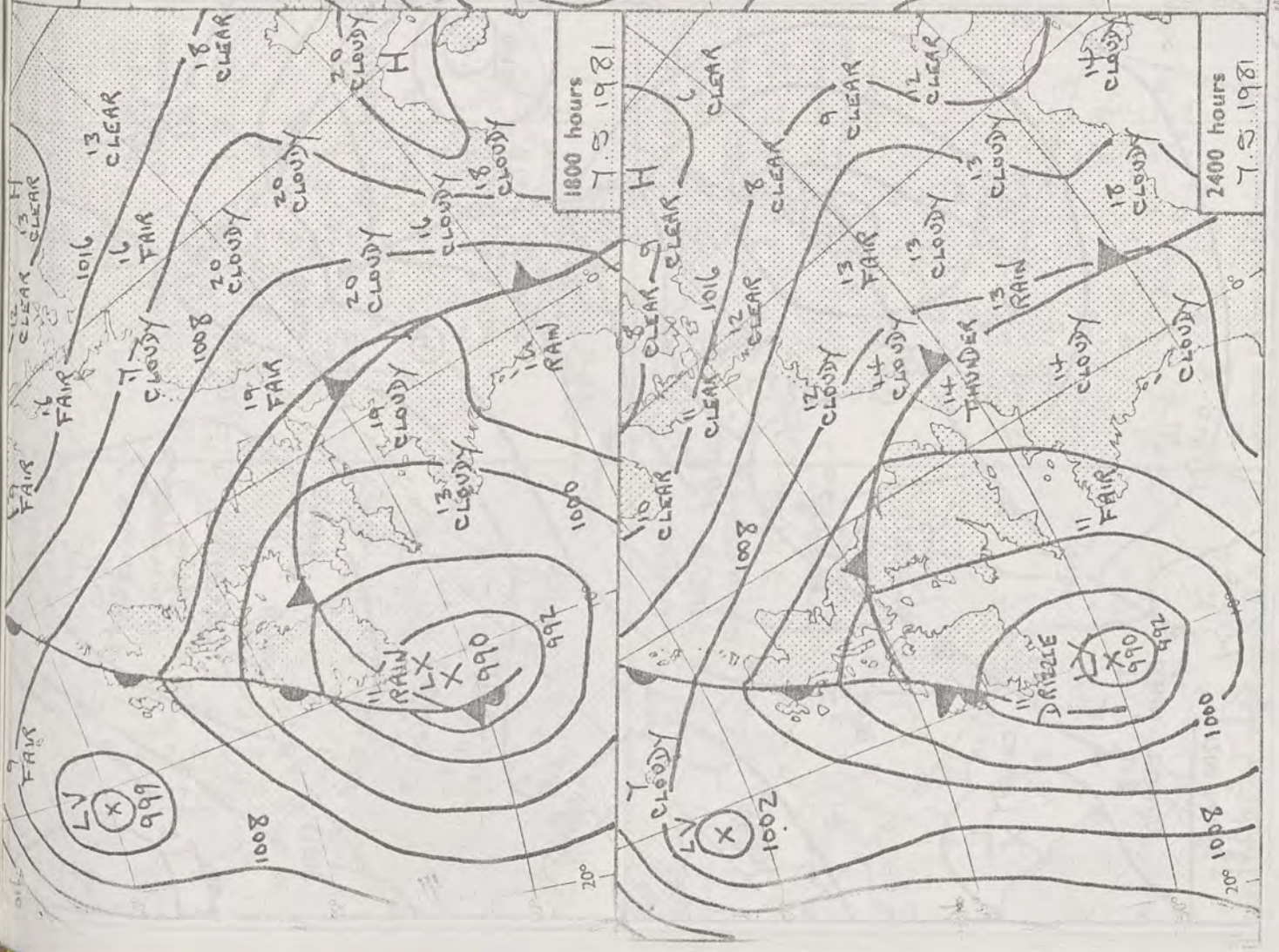


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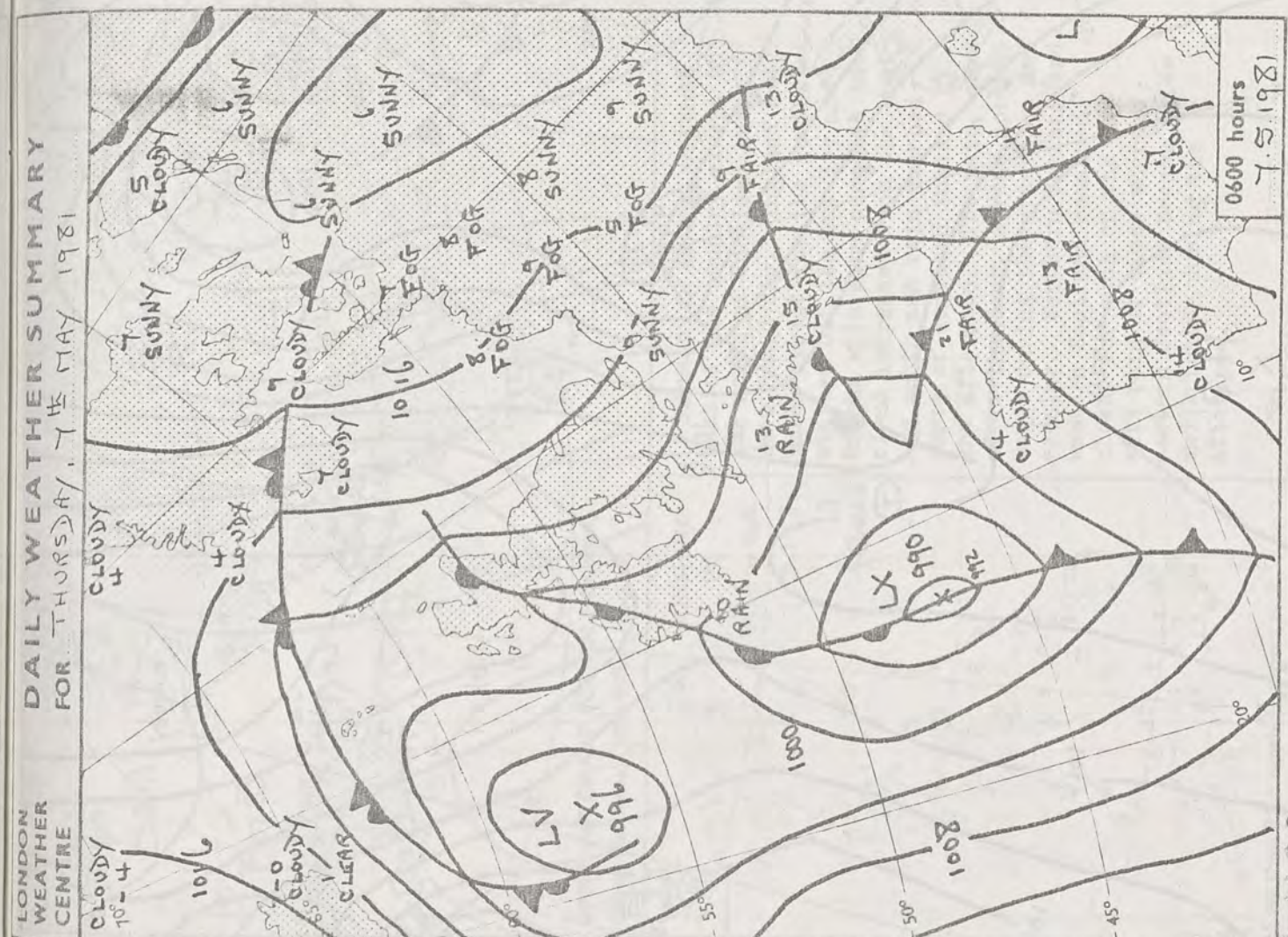


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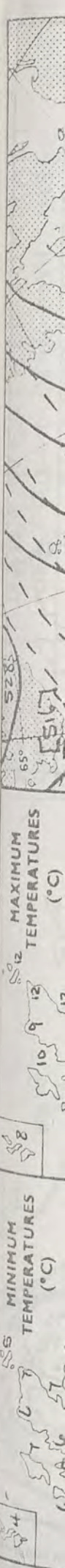
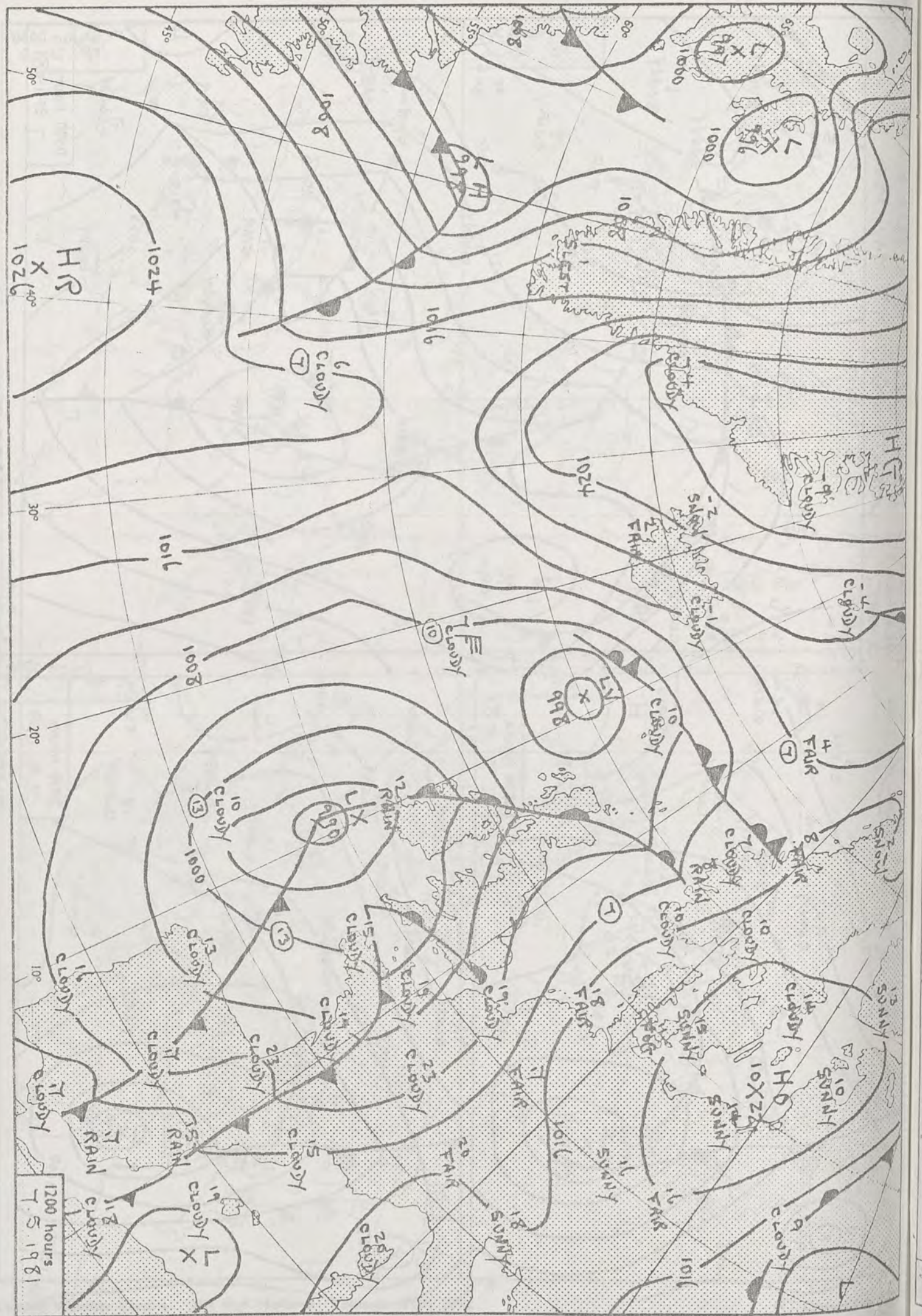


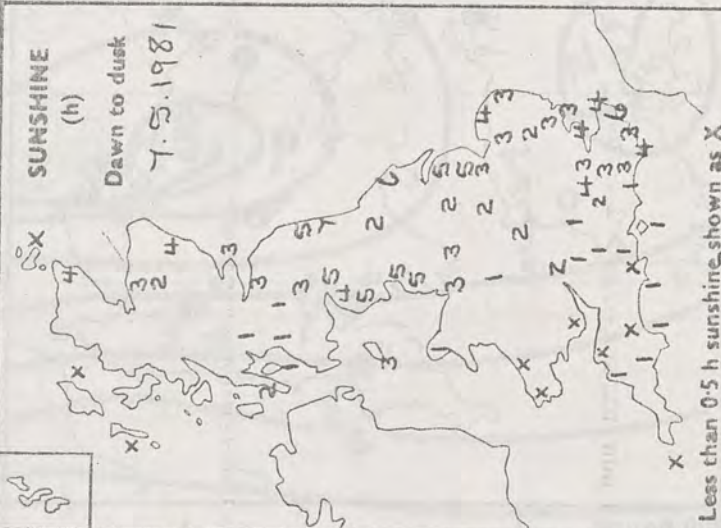
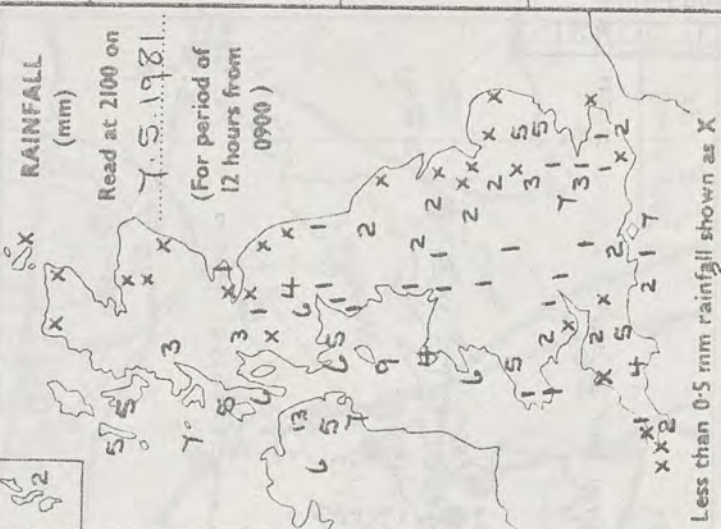
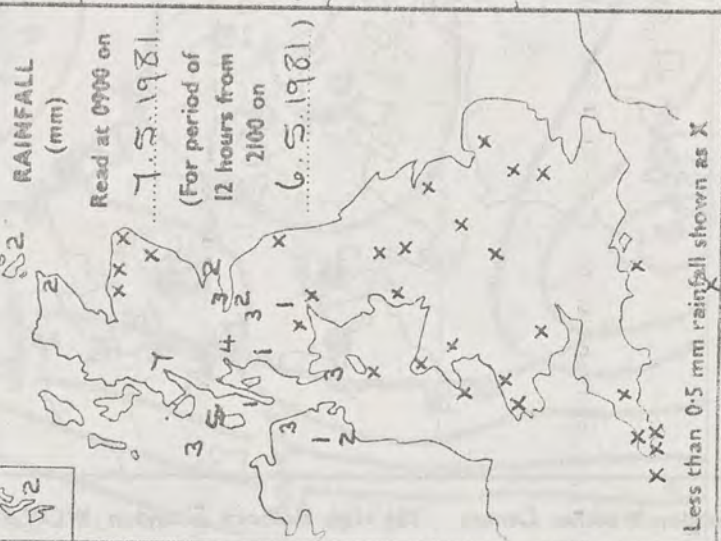
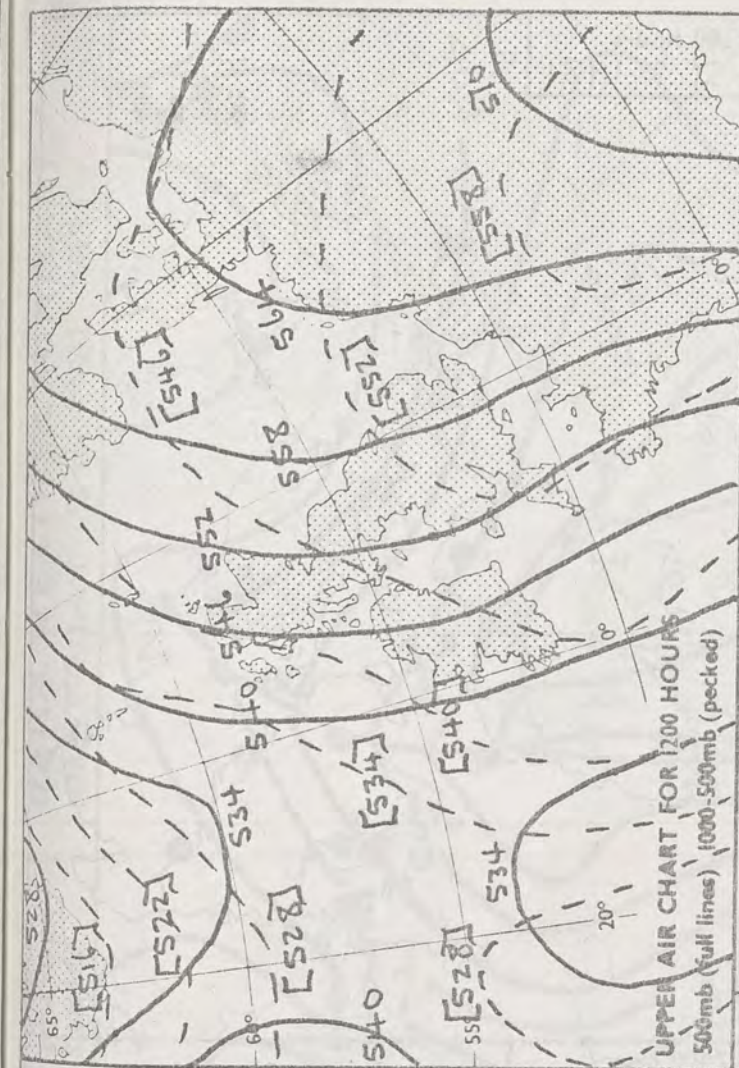
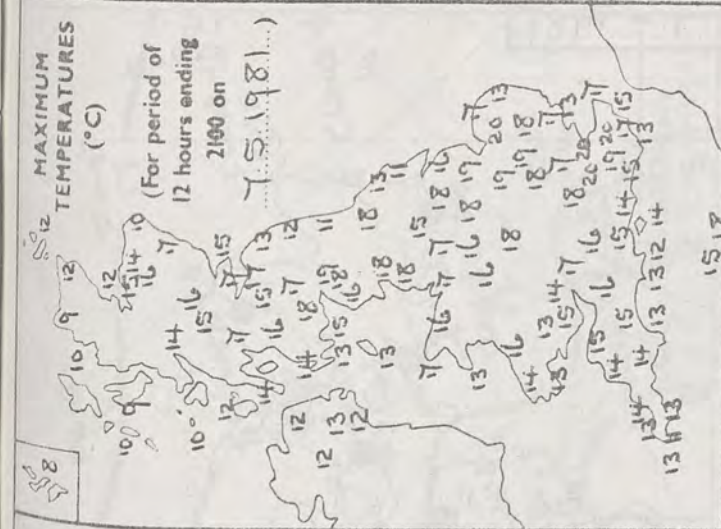
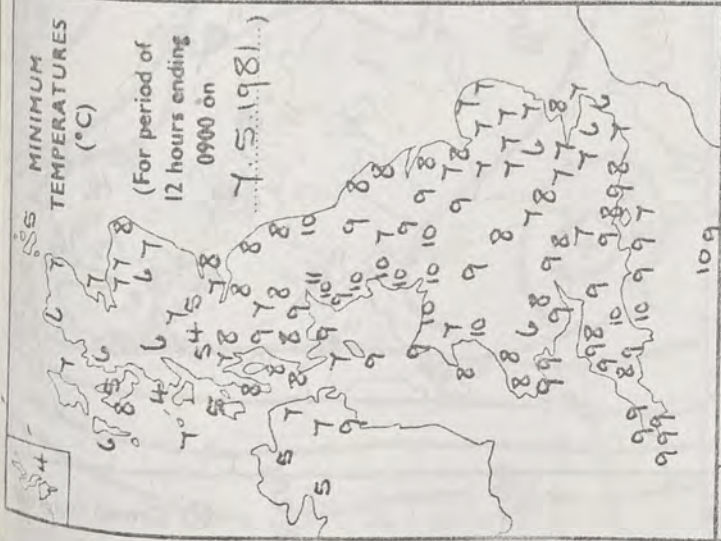
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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

Much of the country except the far north of Scotland had a warm humid day. England and Wales except for the southwest started off for the day dry and bright with some sunshine but cloud increased from the west and south and rain reached parts of southern England by the afternoon. The rain, some of it thundery, spread northwards during the afternoon and evening. Northern Ireland and western Scotland remained cloudy for much of the day with rain at times whereas eastern Scotland became drier and brighter during the afternoon.

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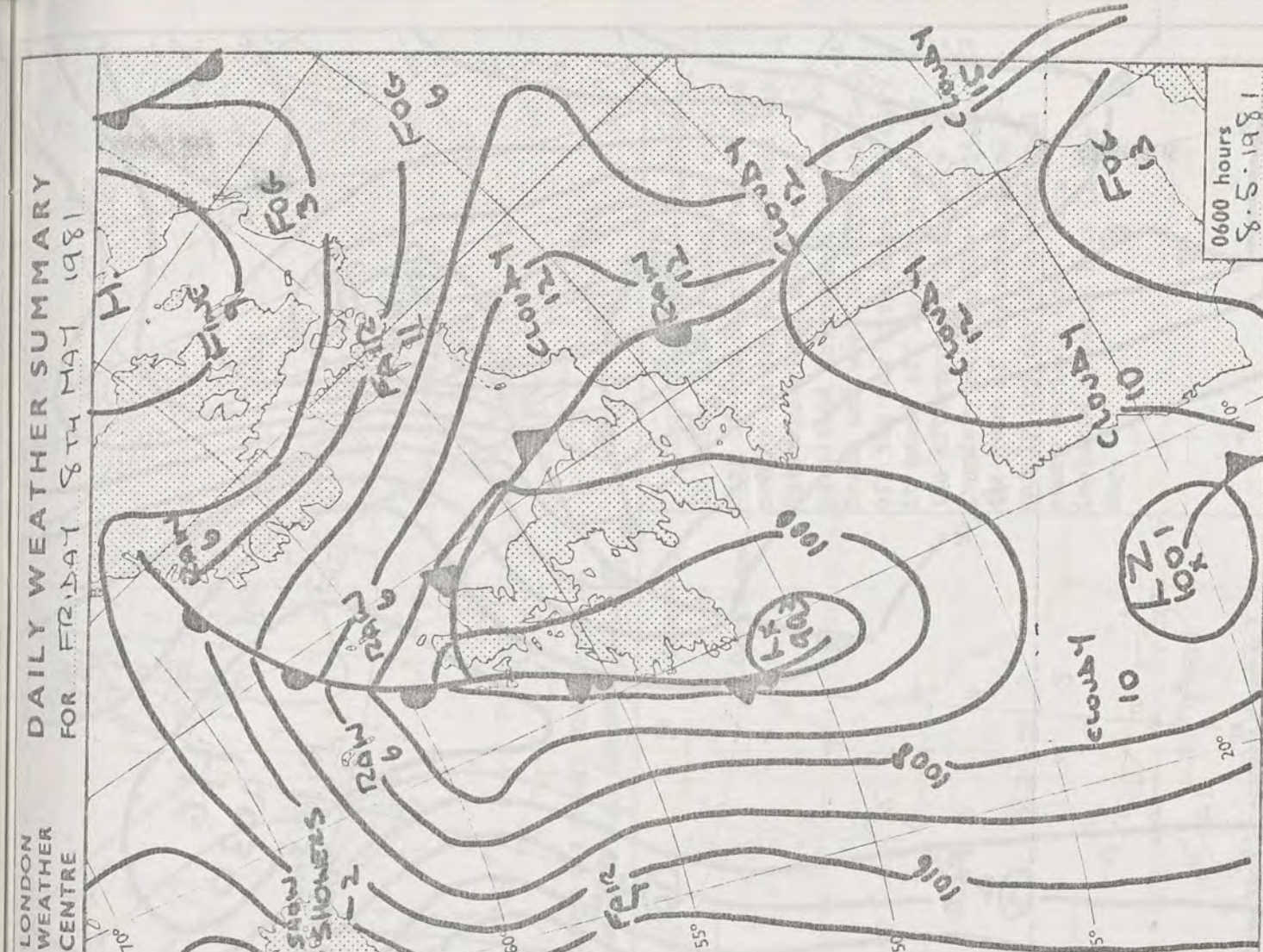
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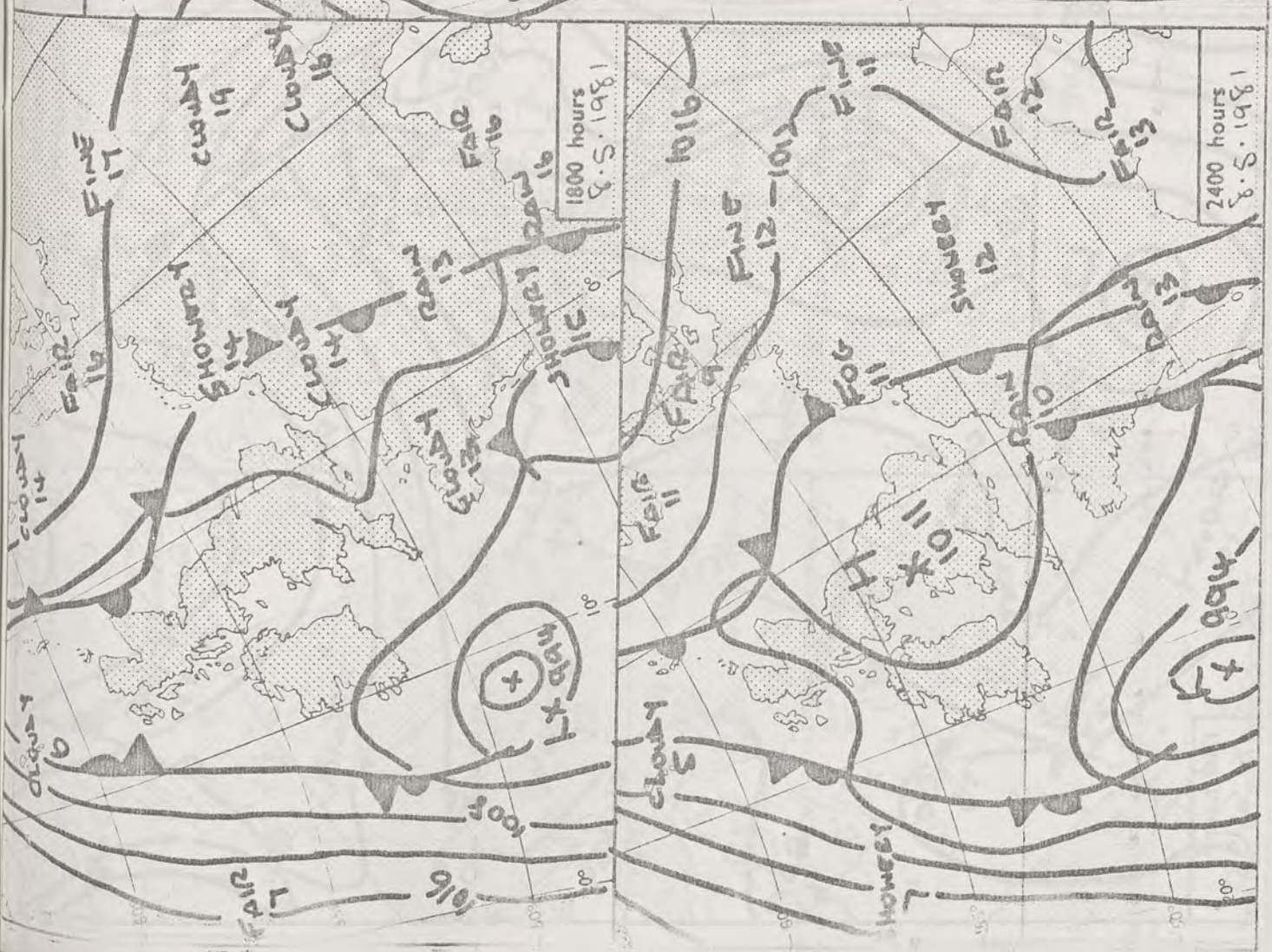
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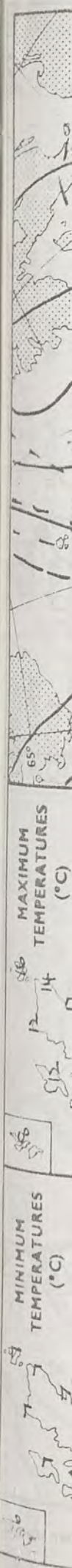
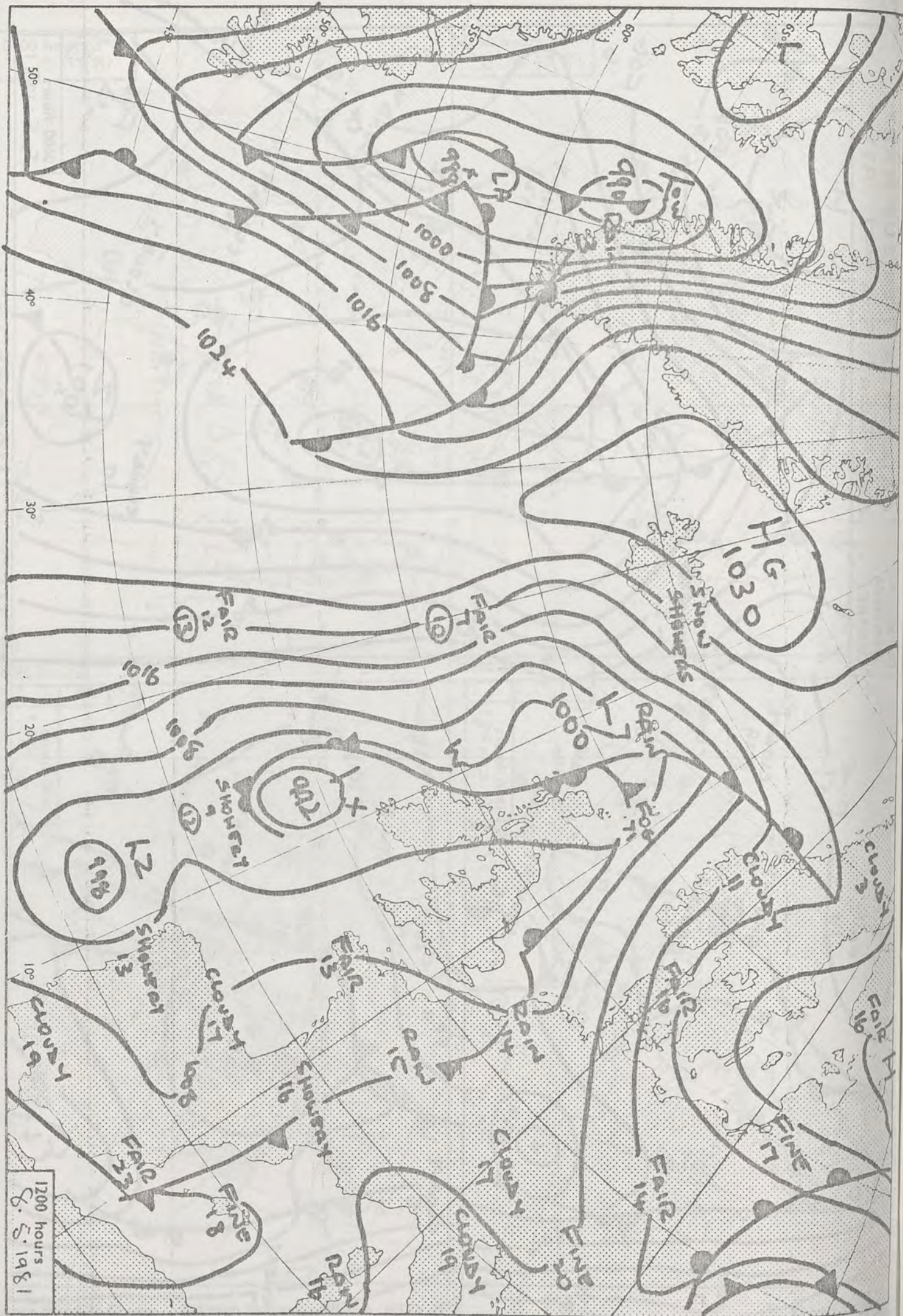
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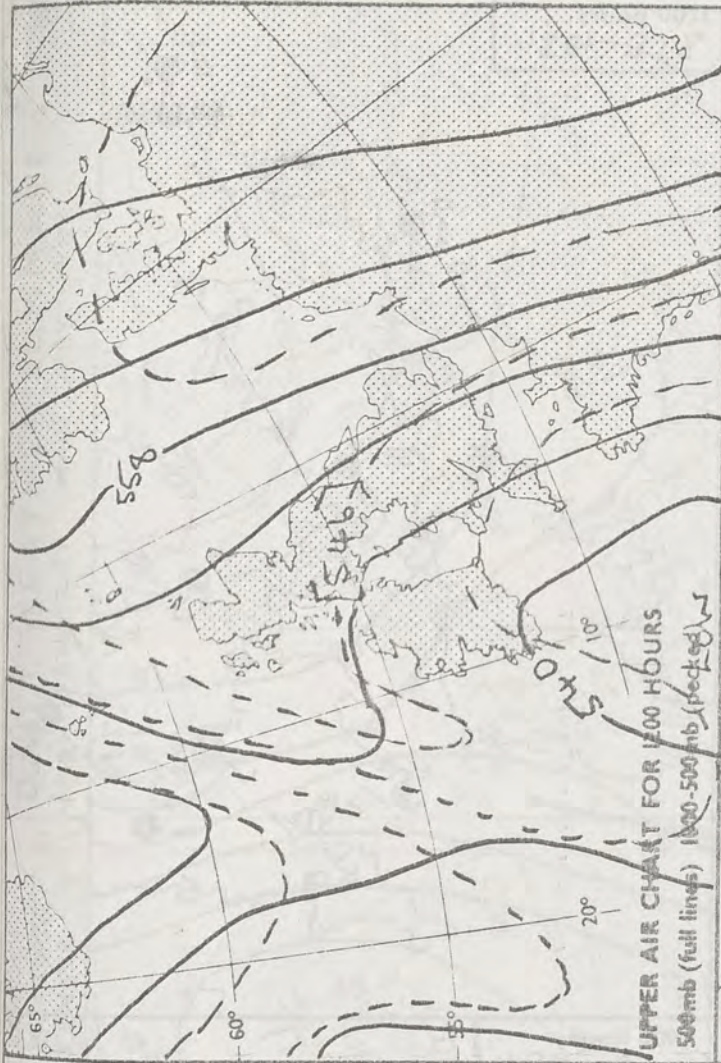
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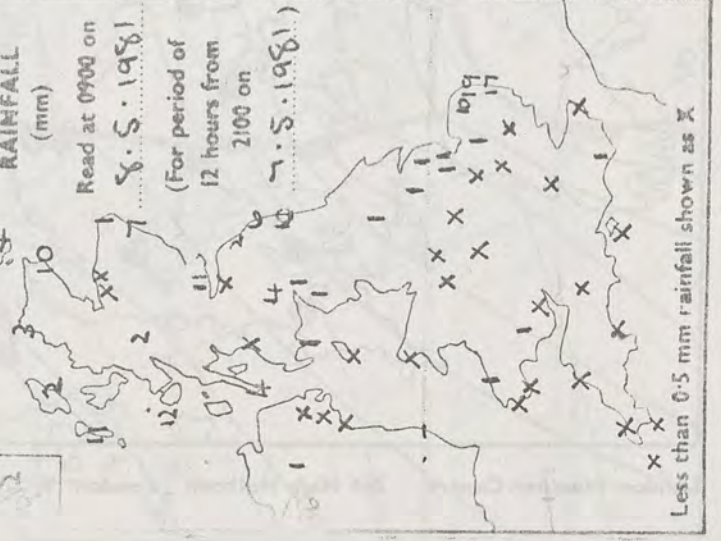
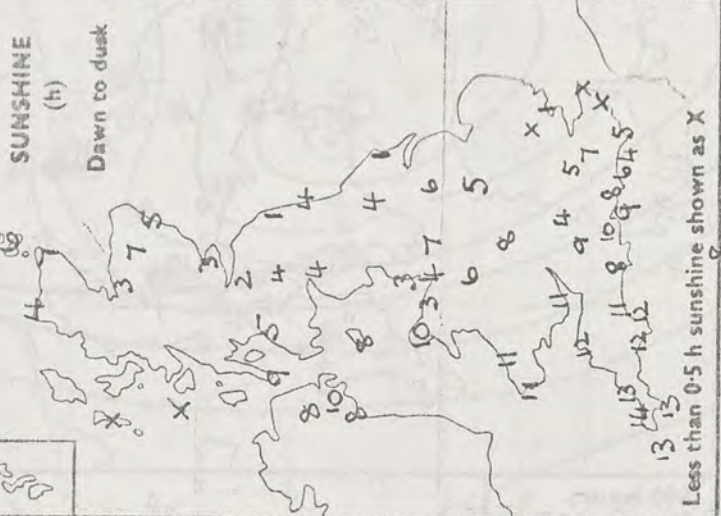
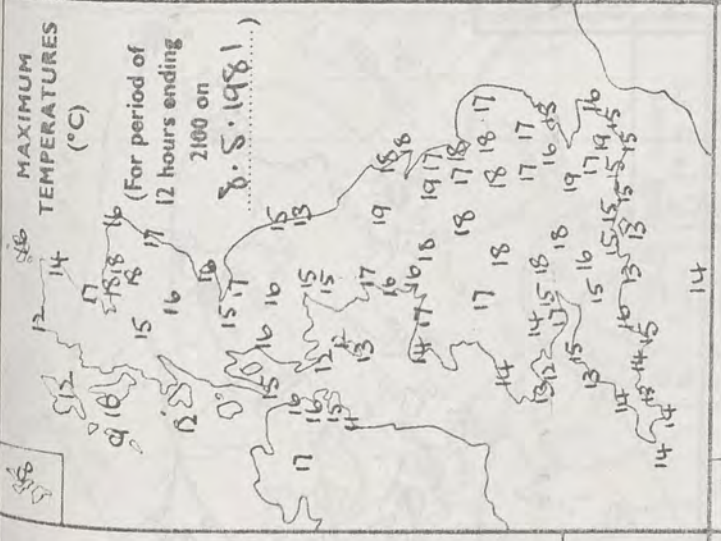
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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
It was a rather warm day over much of the country, but it was cooler in the Shetlands and the Outer Hebrides where cloud persisted throughout the day. North and west Scotland started off the day with some rain but it eased off in most places by the afternoon. After early thundery rain in East Anglia, the rest of the country had a mainly dry day with some good sunny periods apart from the isolated showers late in the day.



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A hand-drawn map of the British Isles, including Great Britain and Ireland. The map is annotated with a network of lines and numbered points. The points are labeled 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12. Each point is marked with a circle, a triangle, or a cross. Lines connect these points across the map, often passing through or near the numbered points. There are also various symbols like crosses and triangles scattered across the map. In the top right corner, there is a small sketch of a person, possibly a soldier or a person in a specific pose. The map is drawn on a piece of paper with a grid pattern.

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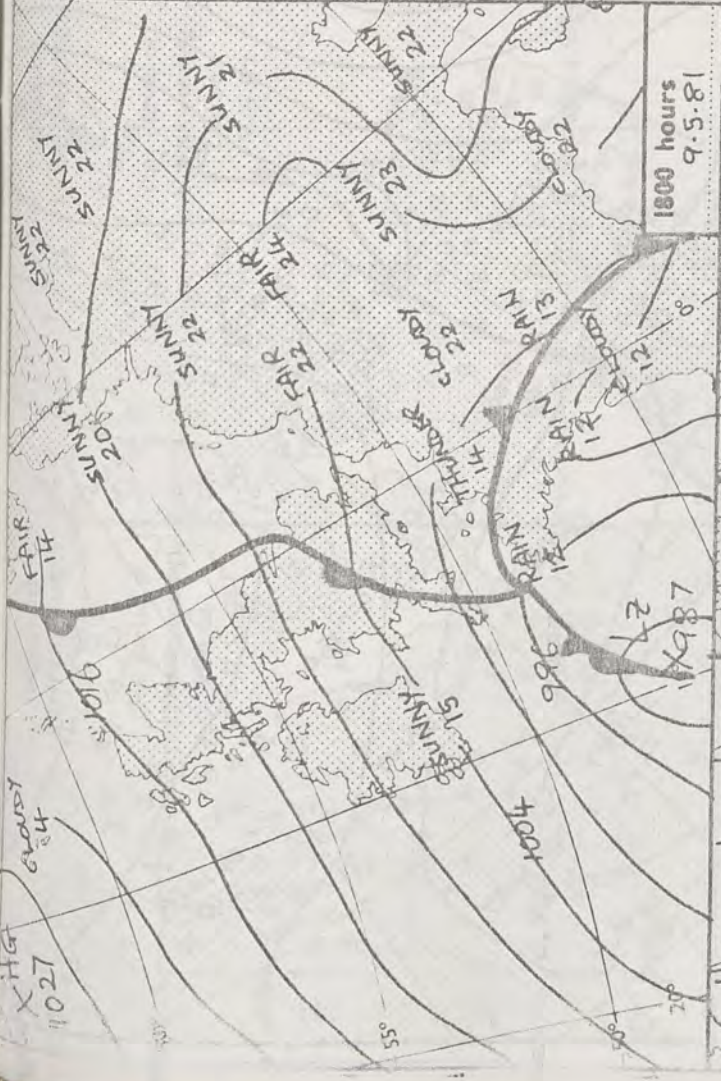
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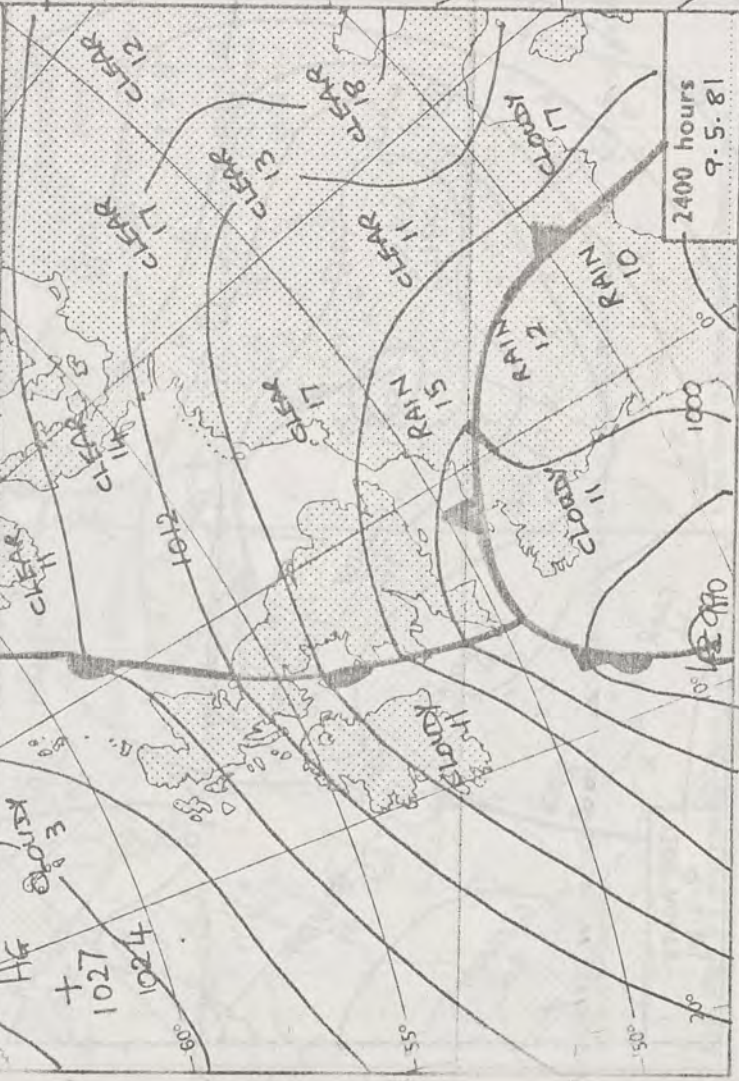
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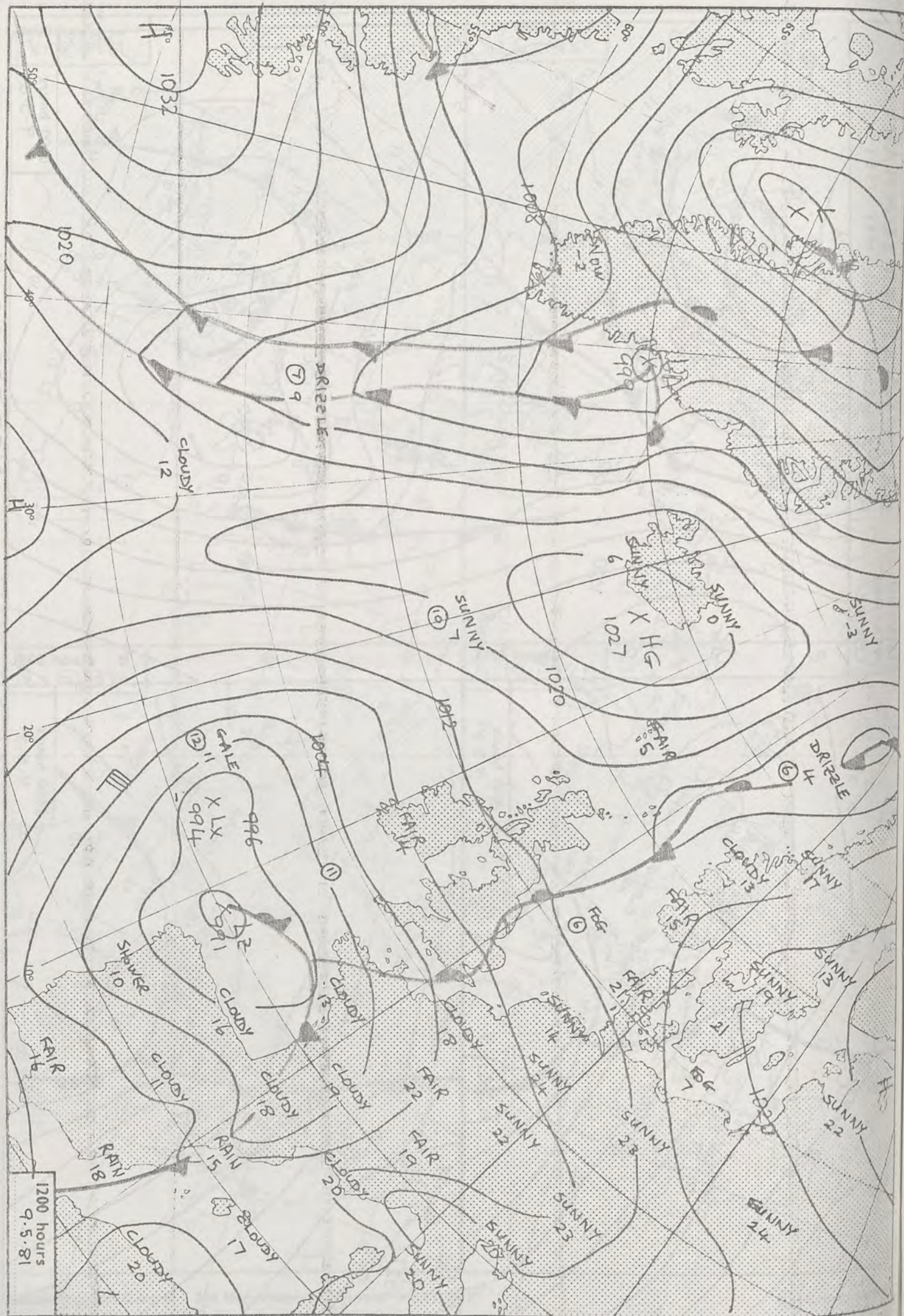


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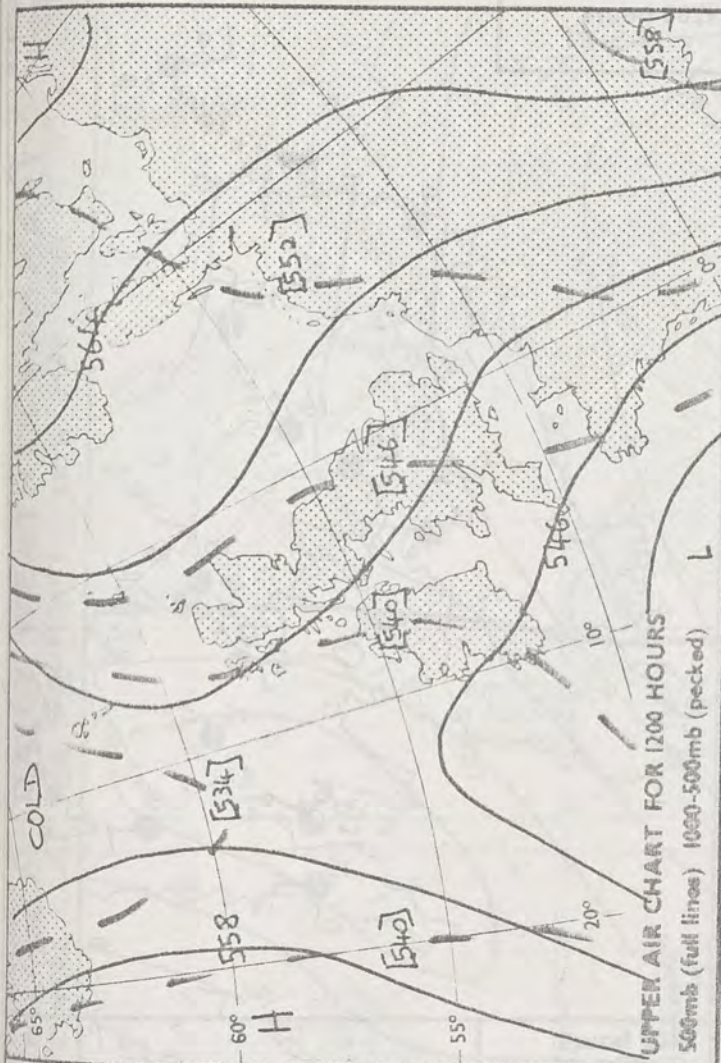
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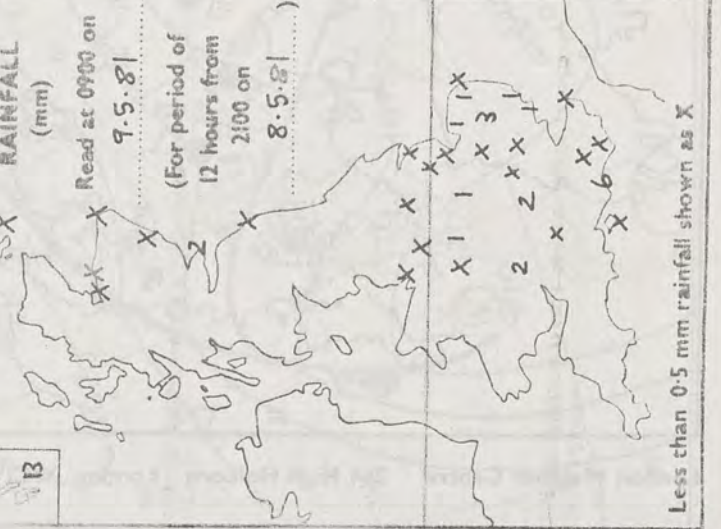
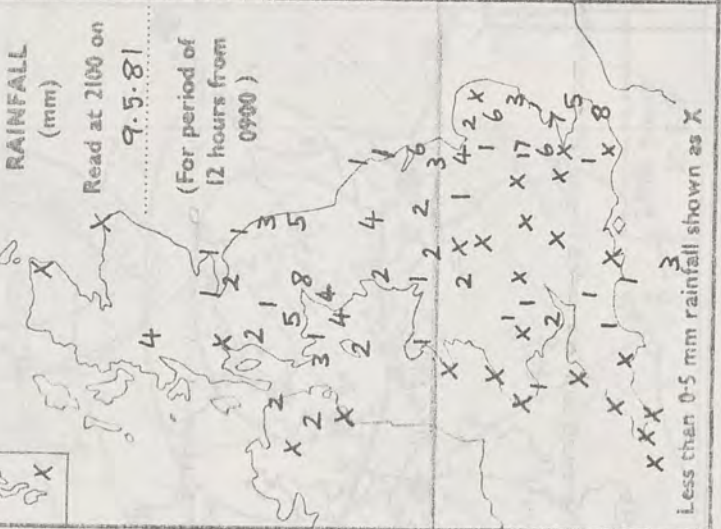
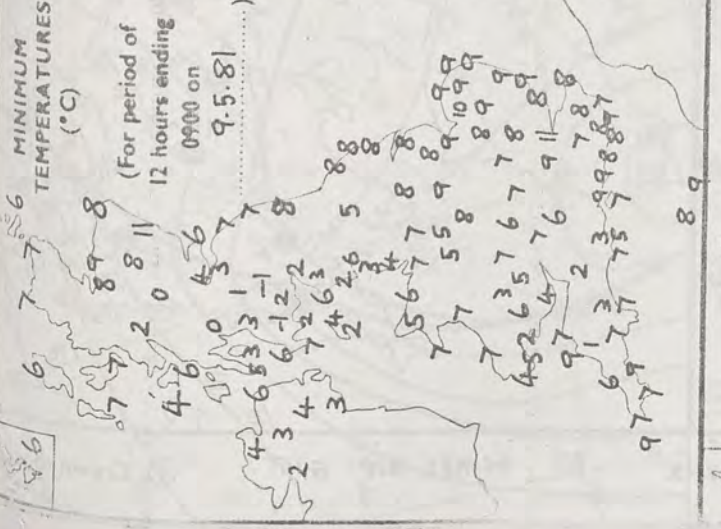
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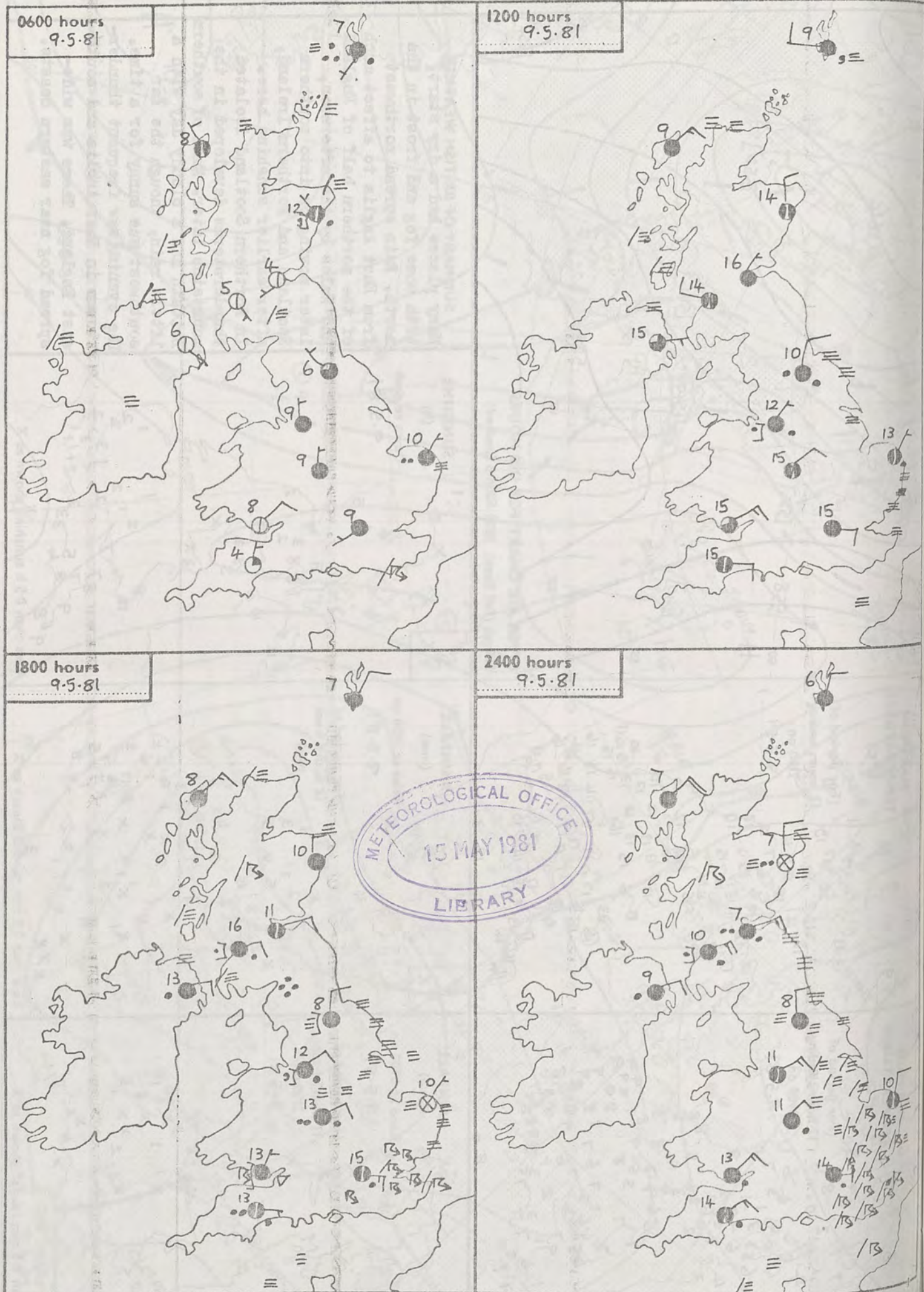


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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
Many places had a dry start, with some fog and frost in the north. Rain spread northwest from East Anglia to affect much of the northern half of England and Wales by the afternoon, later moving on into southern Scotland and Northern Ireland, after earlier sunshine here. In Northern Scotland isolated thunderstorms developed in the mountains later. Much of southern Britain had a cloudy day with a little rain, though the far southwest was sunny for a time. The evening saw frequent thunderstorms in East Anglia and south-east England. There was widespread fog near eastern coasts.

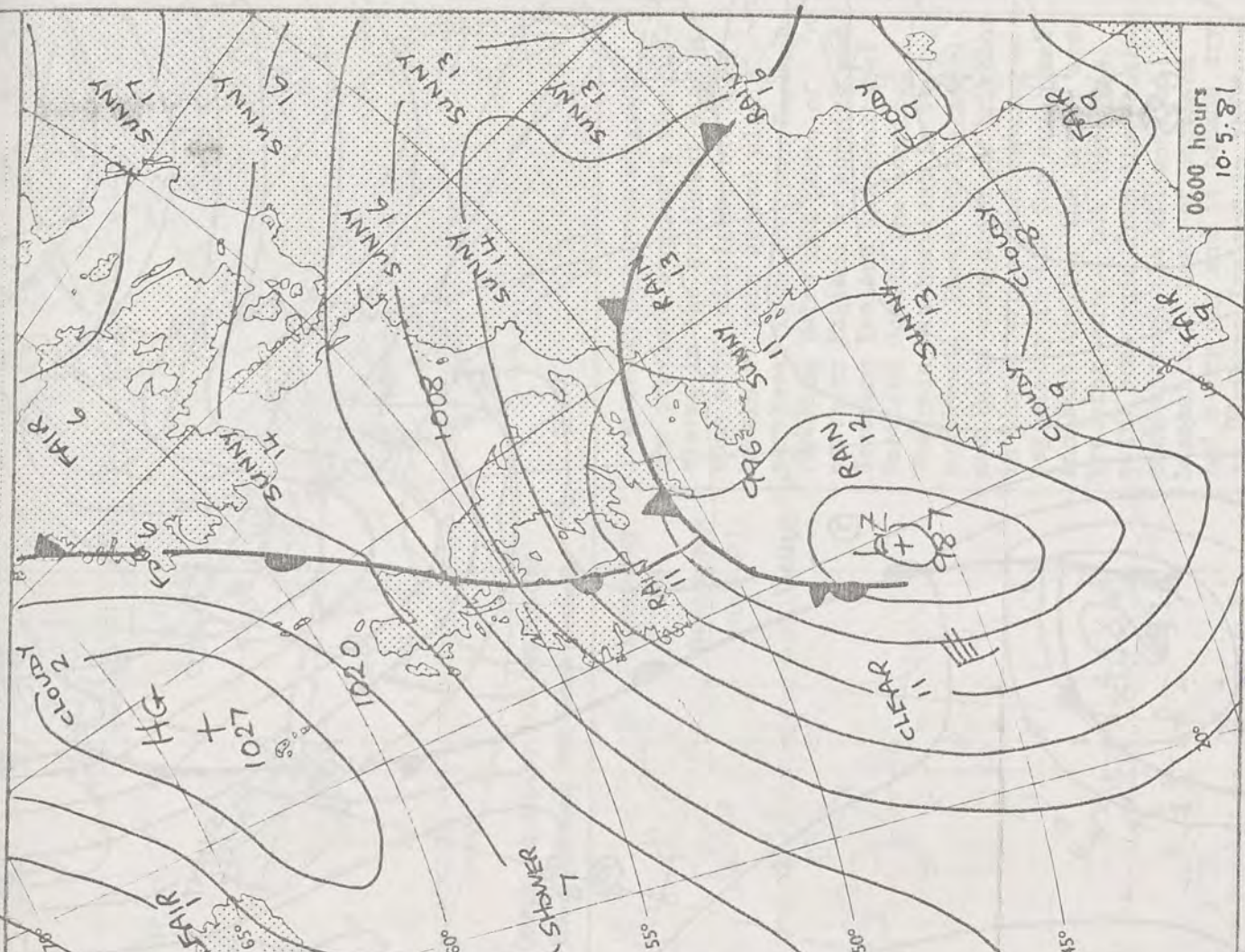
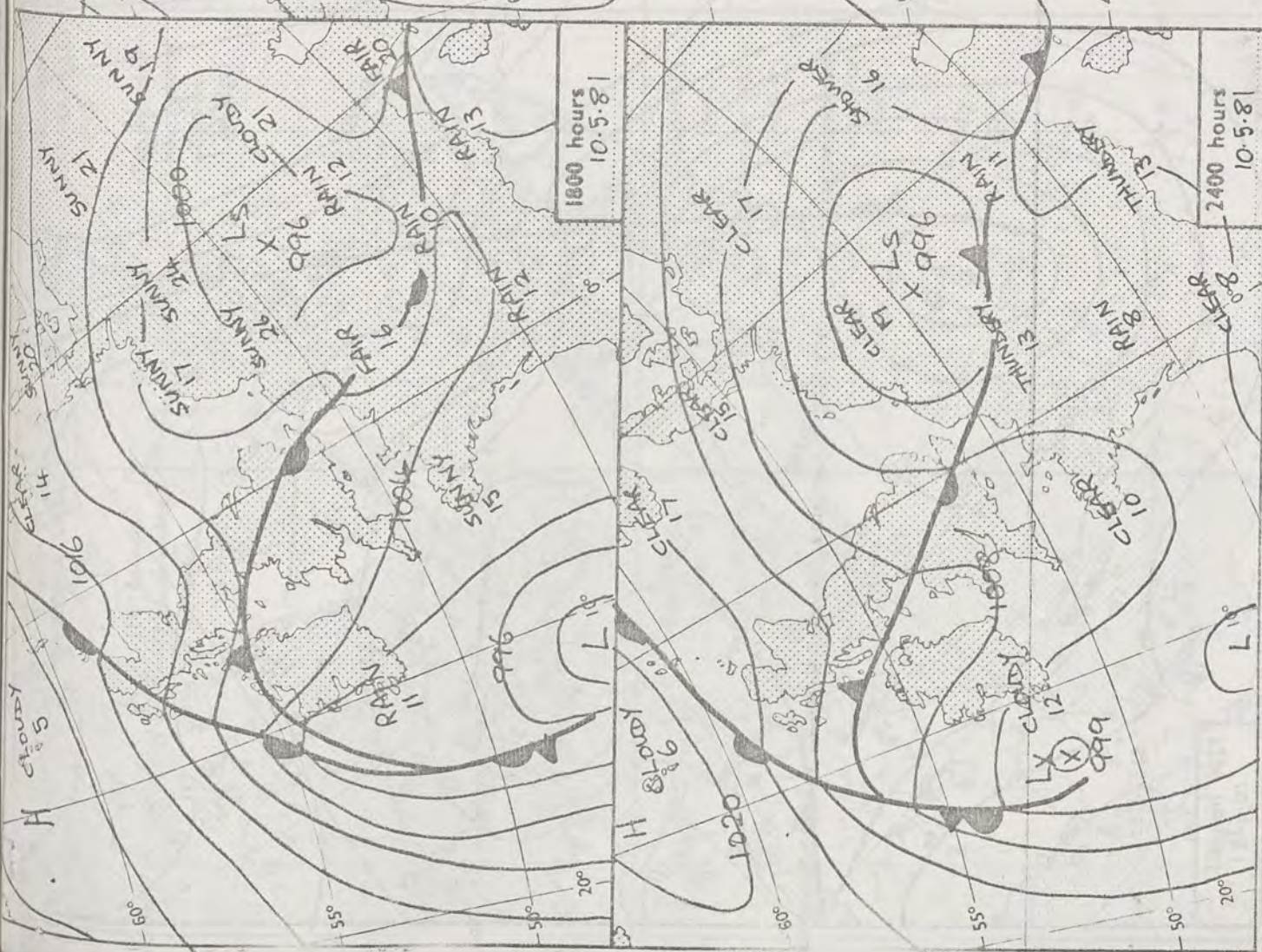




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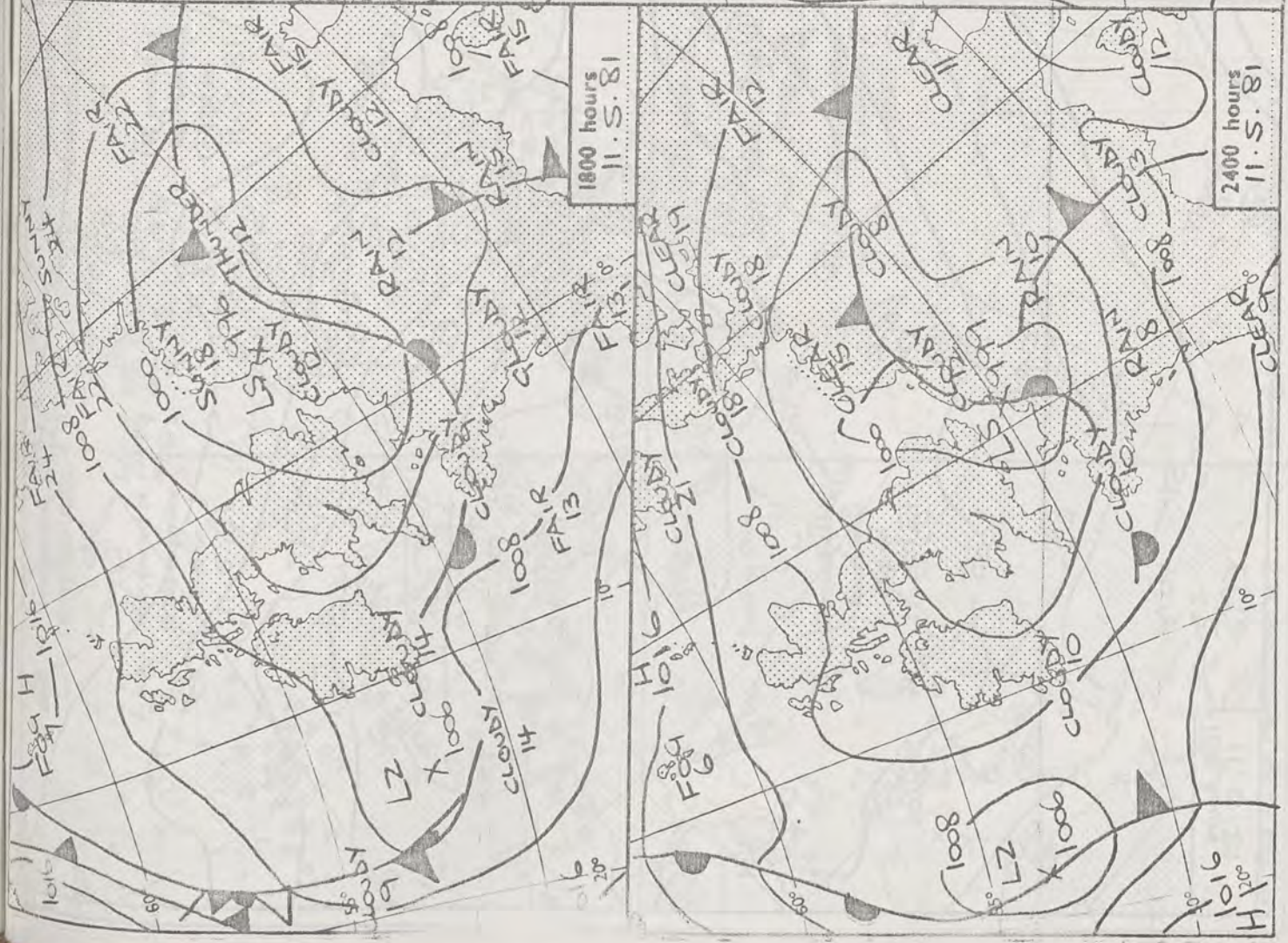
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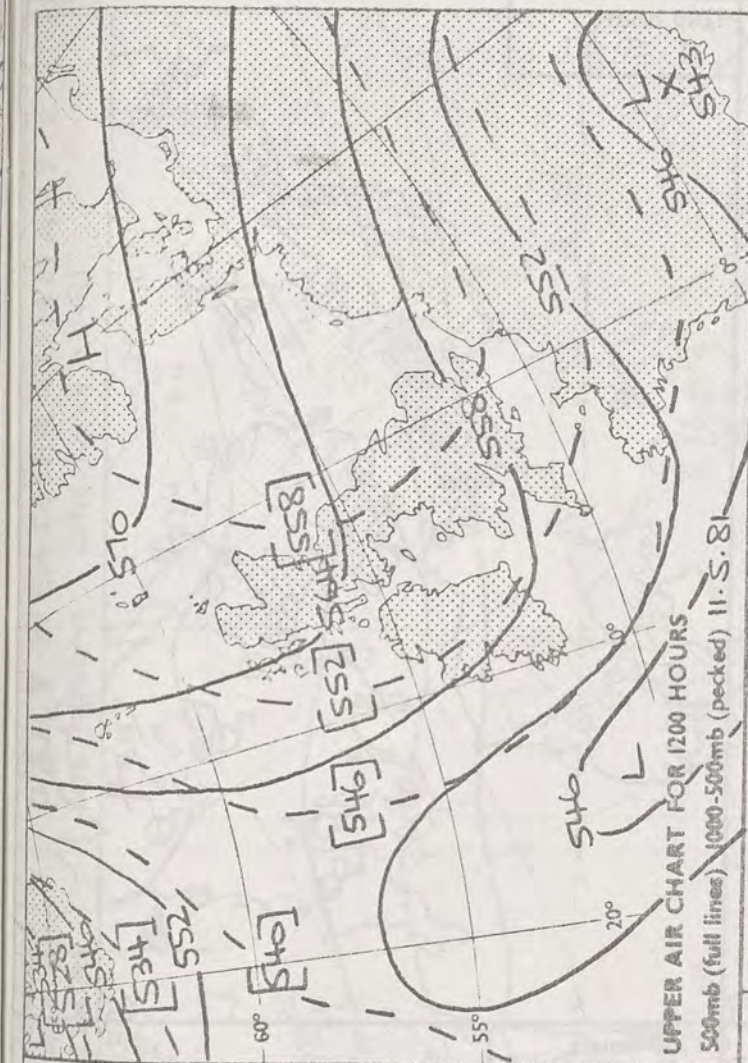
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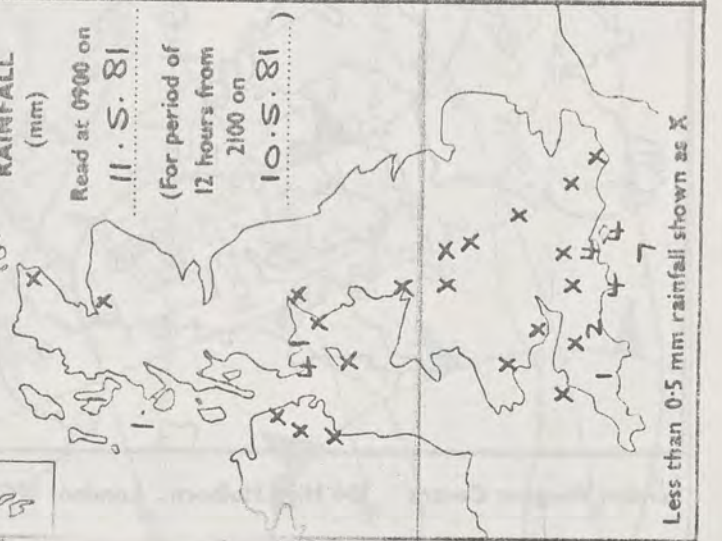
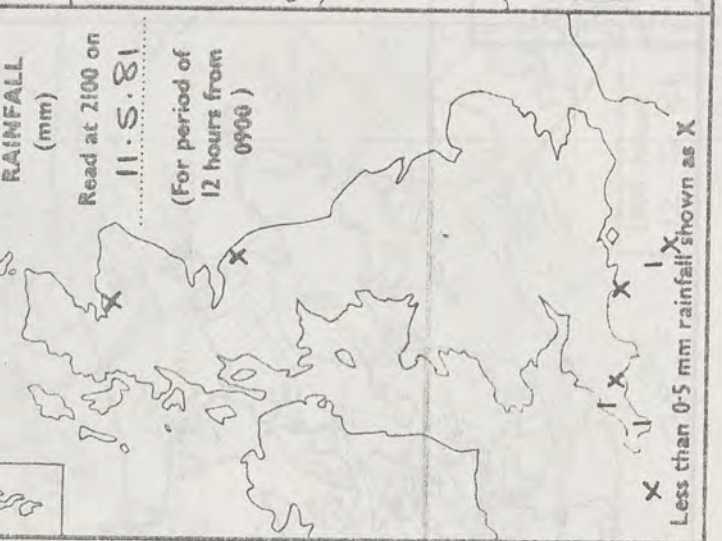
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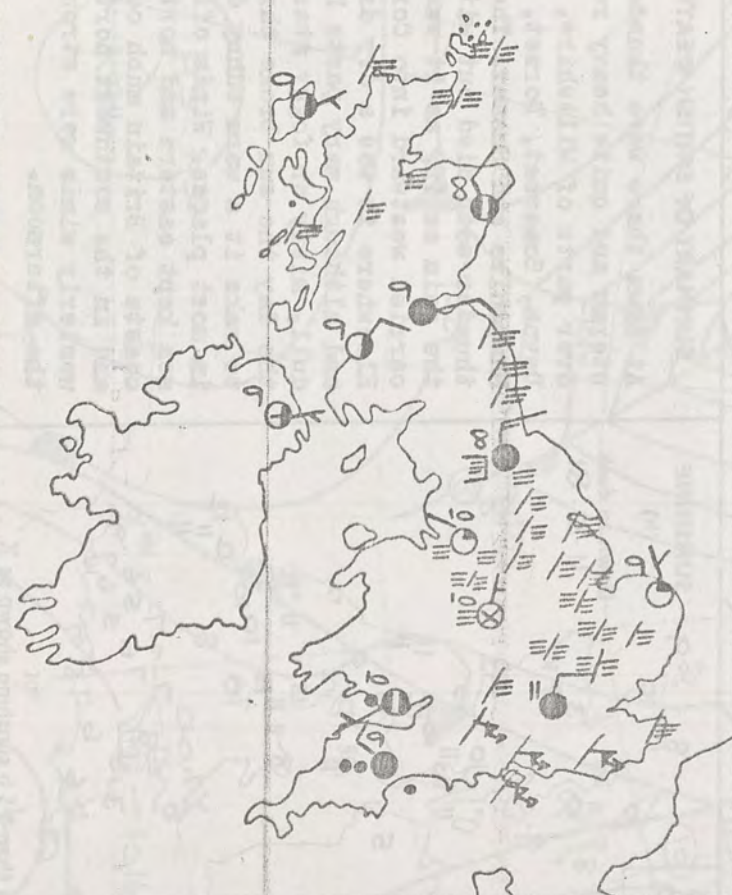


SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

At dawn there were thunderstorms and quite heavy rain over parts of Wiltshire, South Devon, Somerset, Dorset, Hampshire and Sussex. The thunder soon died out with the rain easing as it was carried westward into Cornwall. Elsewhere it was a dry day and although many parts had a dull, misty or foggy start to the day the sun broke through to make it a warm sunny day in most places. Winds off the sea kept eastern and northern coasts of Britain much cooler and in the southwest north-westerly winds were strong in the afternoon.



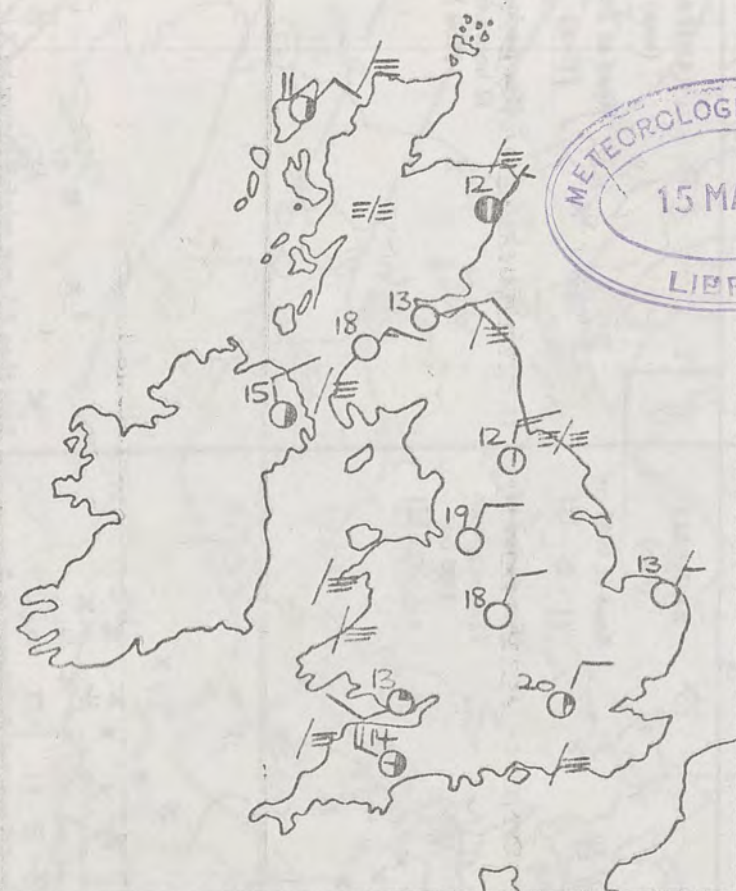
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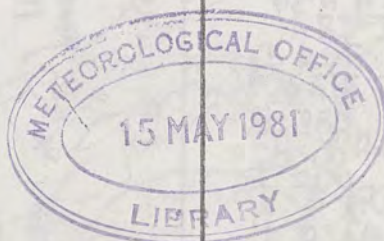
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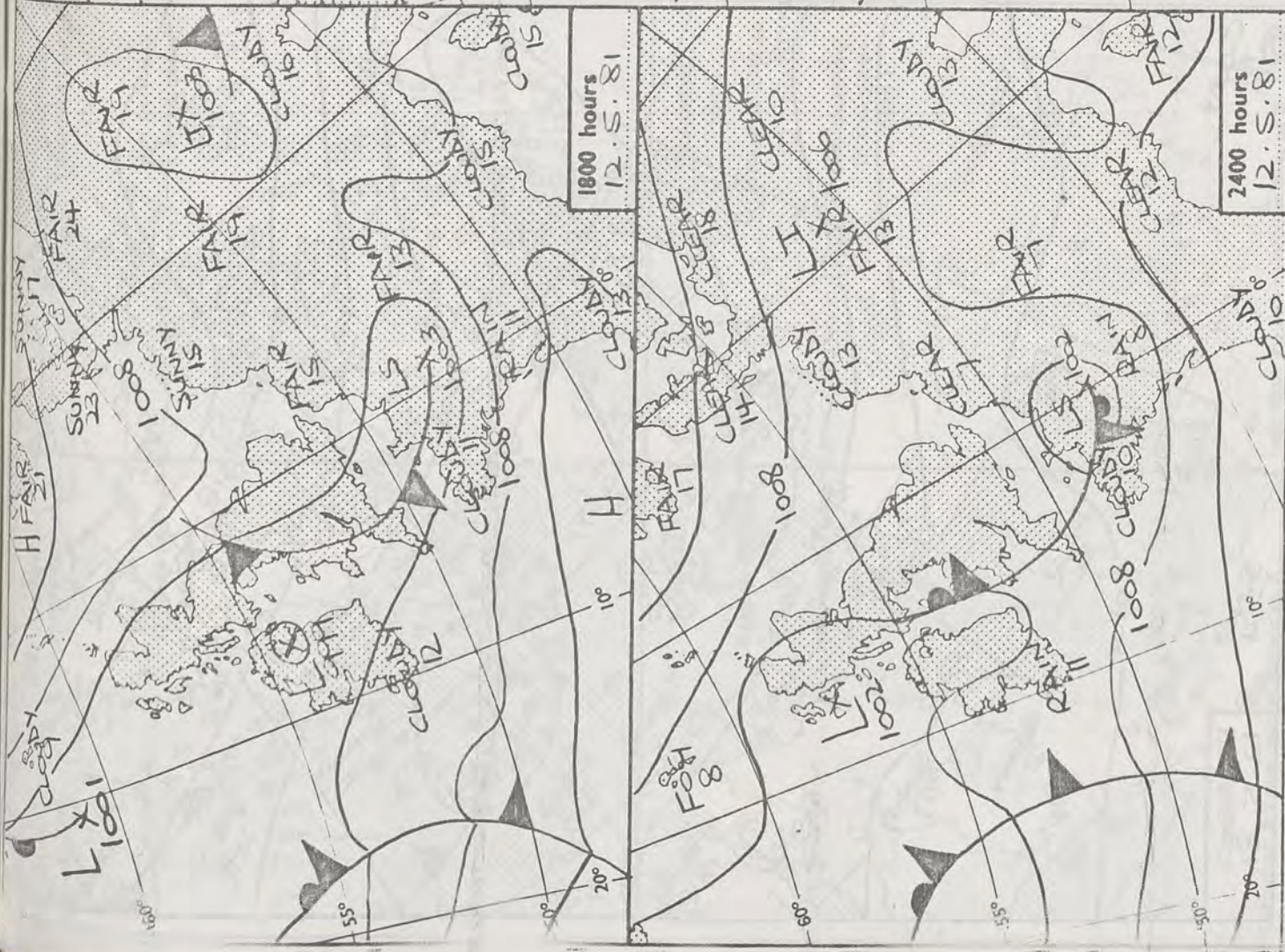


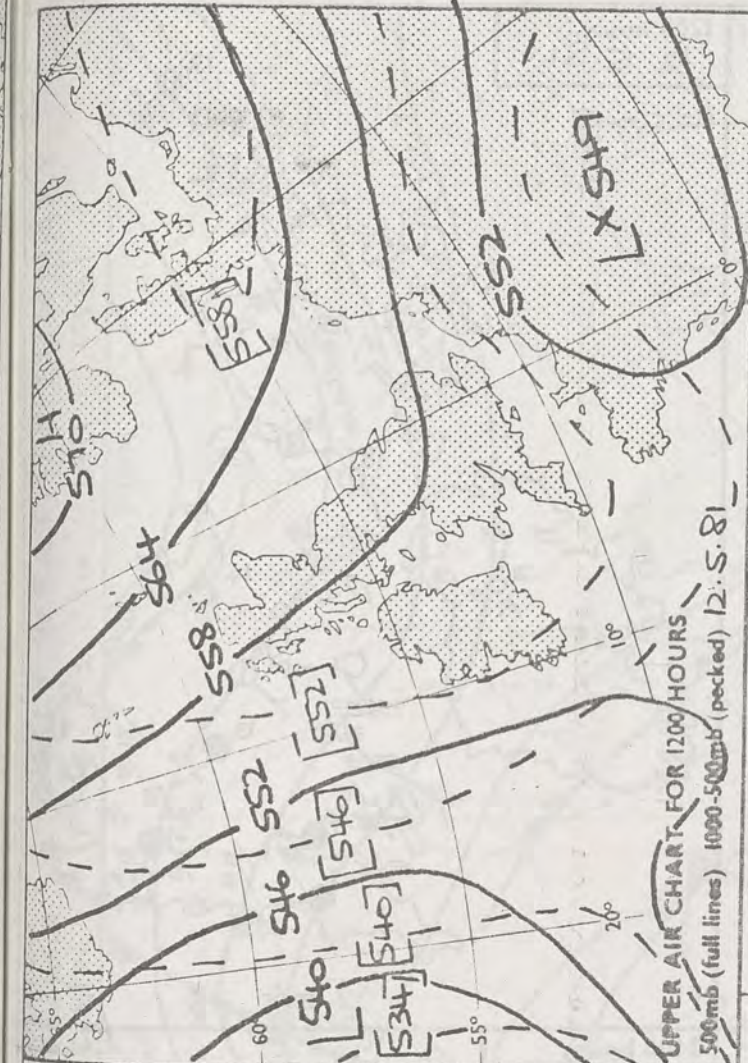
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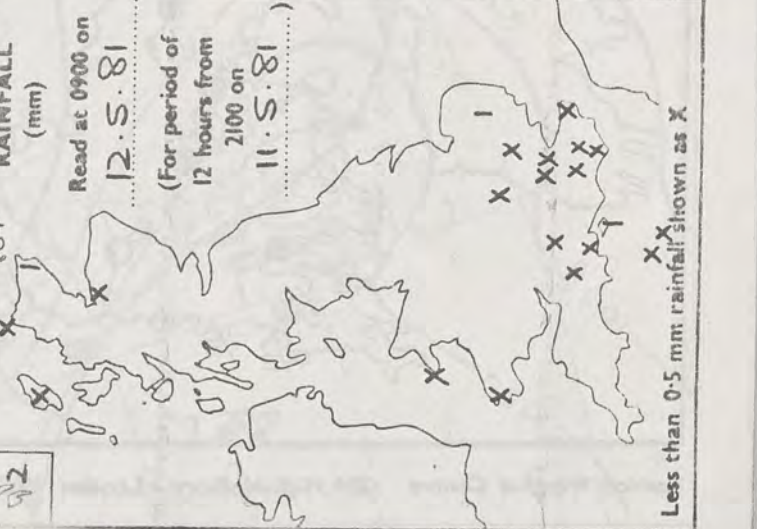
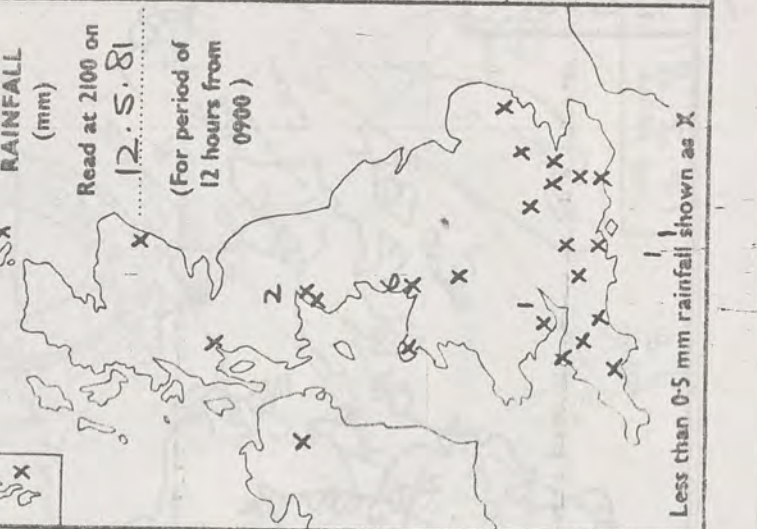
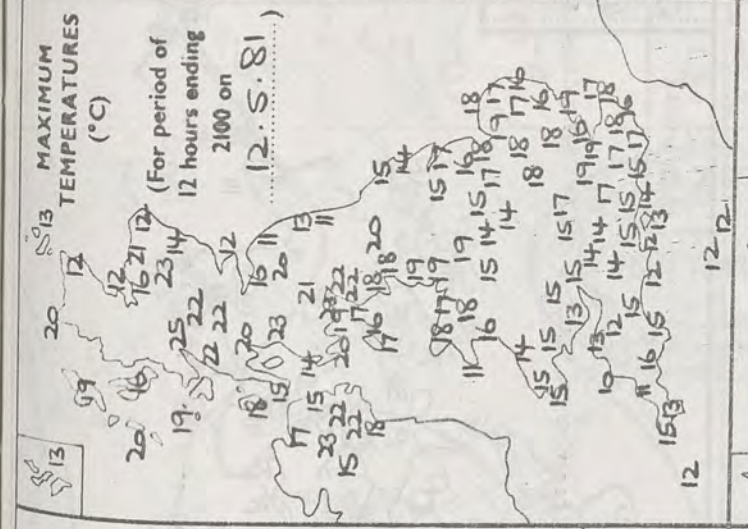
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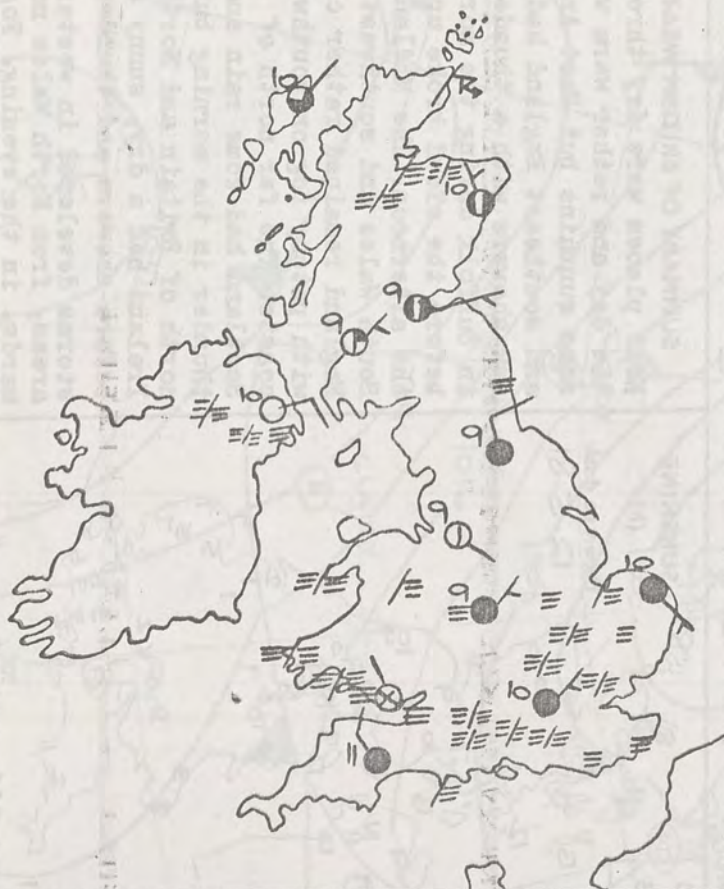


SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

Most places were dry through the day and rather warm with some sunshine but East Anglia and southeast England had a few showers with a thunderstorm in Suffolk during the morning before the cloud broke up in the afternoon. The Midlands, South Wales and southwest England remained rather cloudy with patchy fog on southwestern coasts. The far north of Scotland had some rain and thunder in the morning but the north of Britain and Northern Ireland had a dry, sunny day before showers and thunderstorms developed in western areas, from North Wales northwards, in the evening. Fog again affected parts of eastern Scotland and northeast England.



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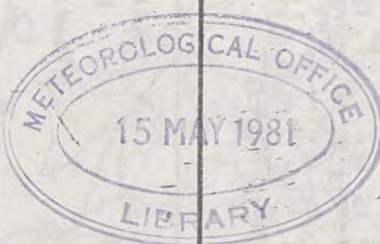
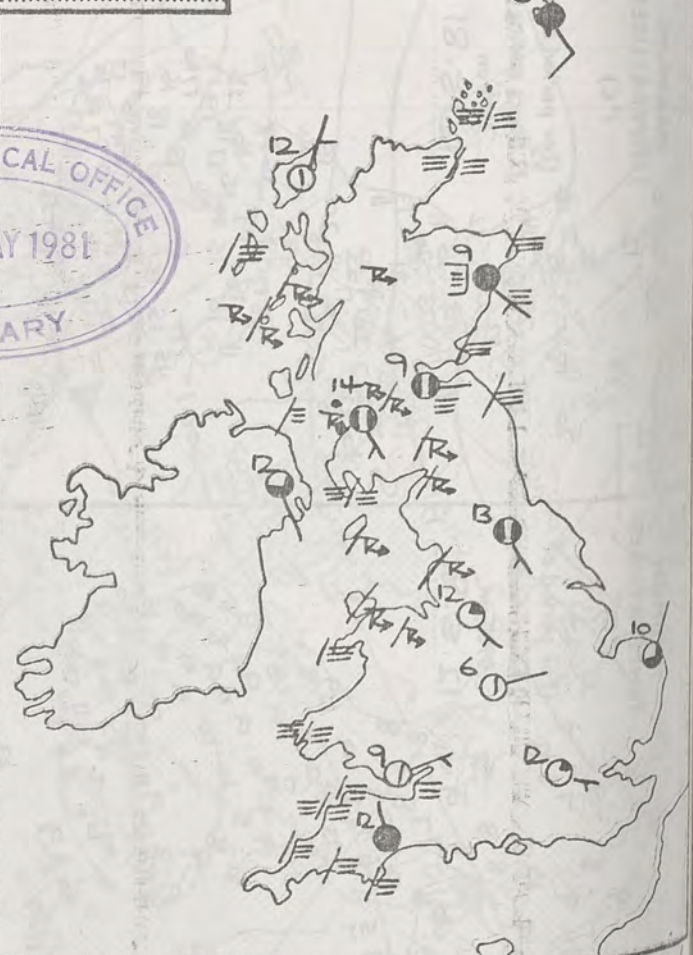
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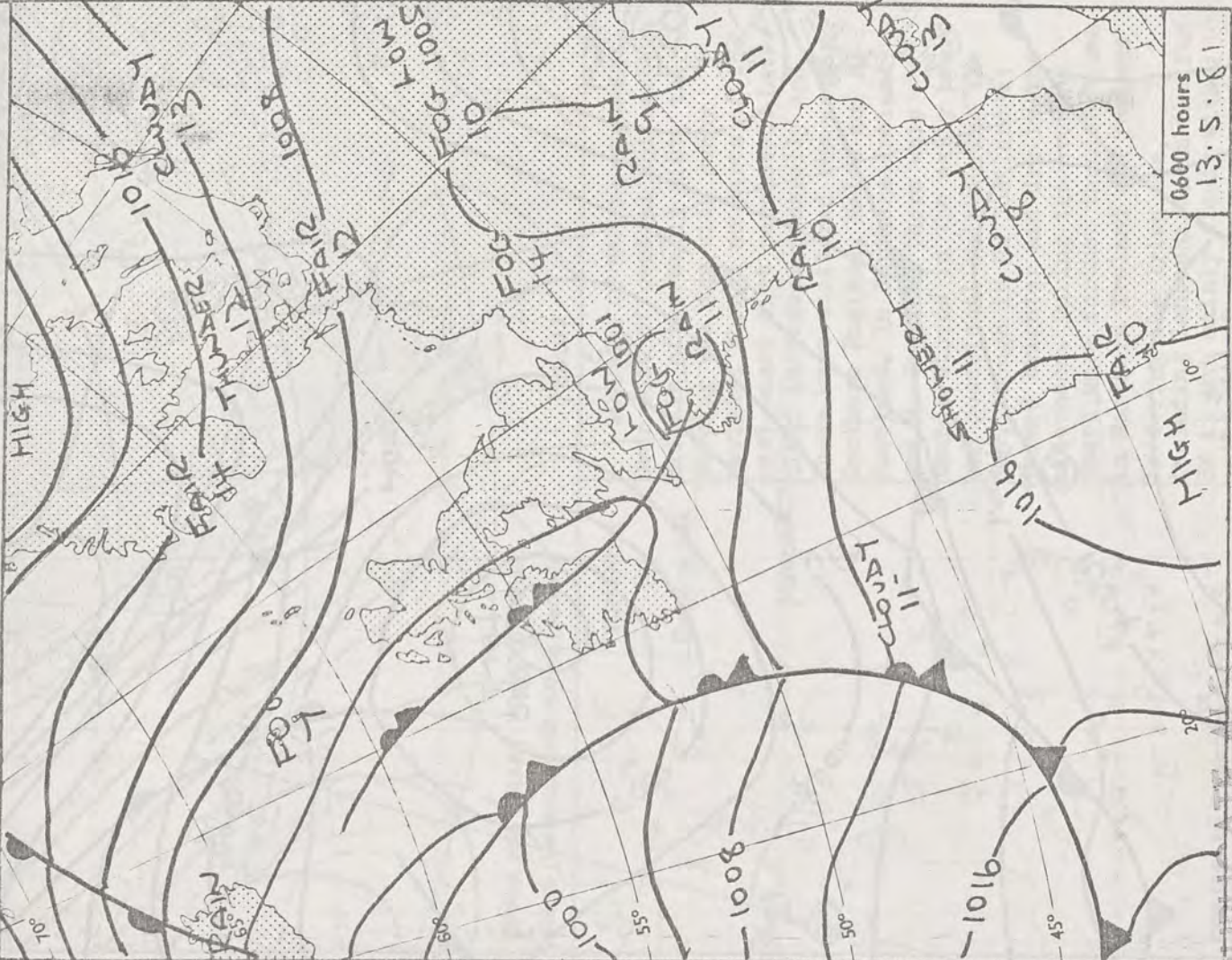
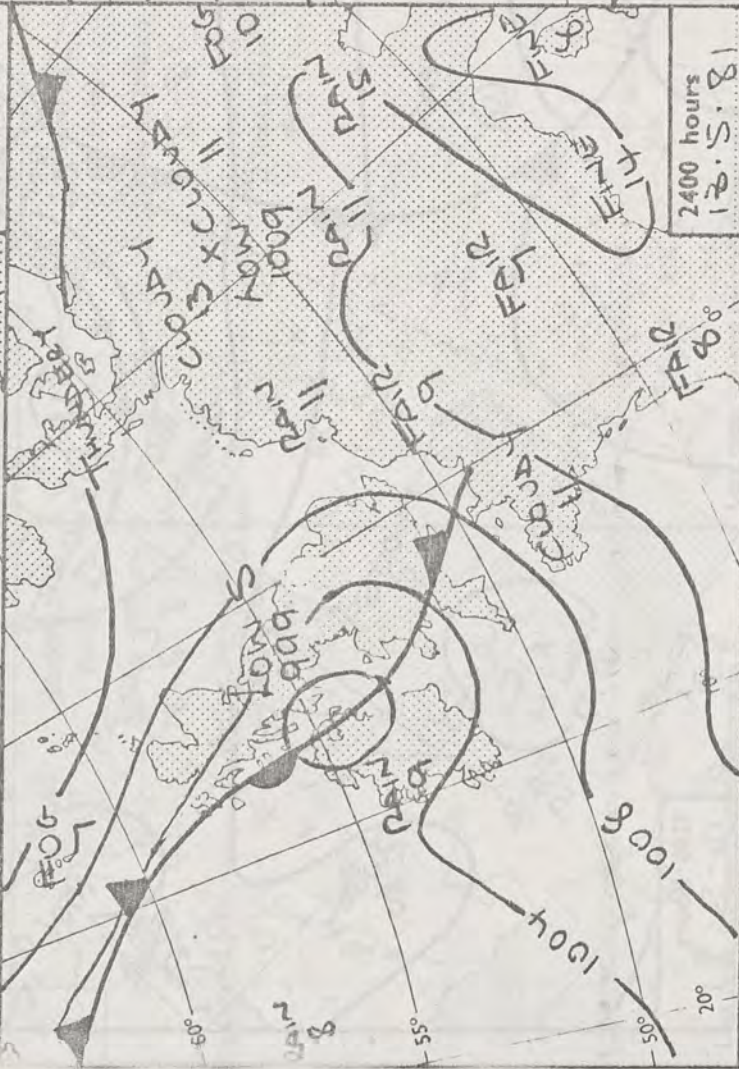
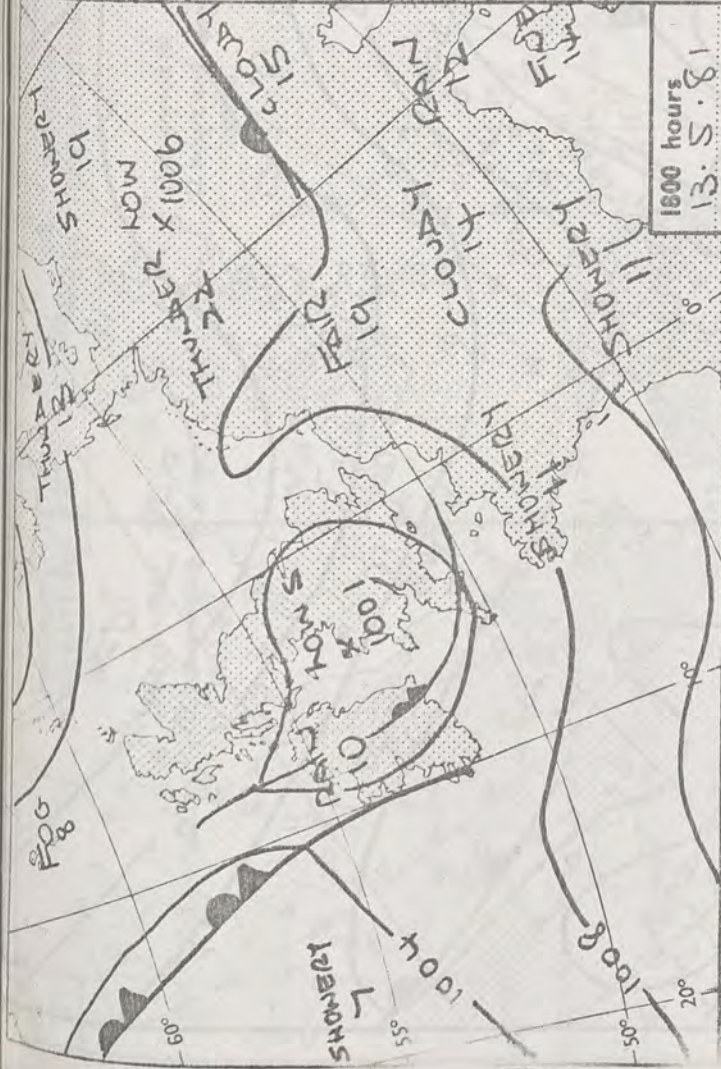


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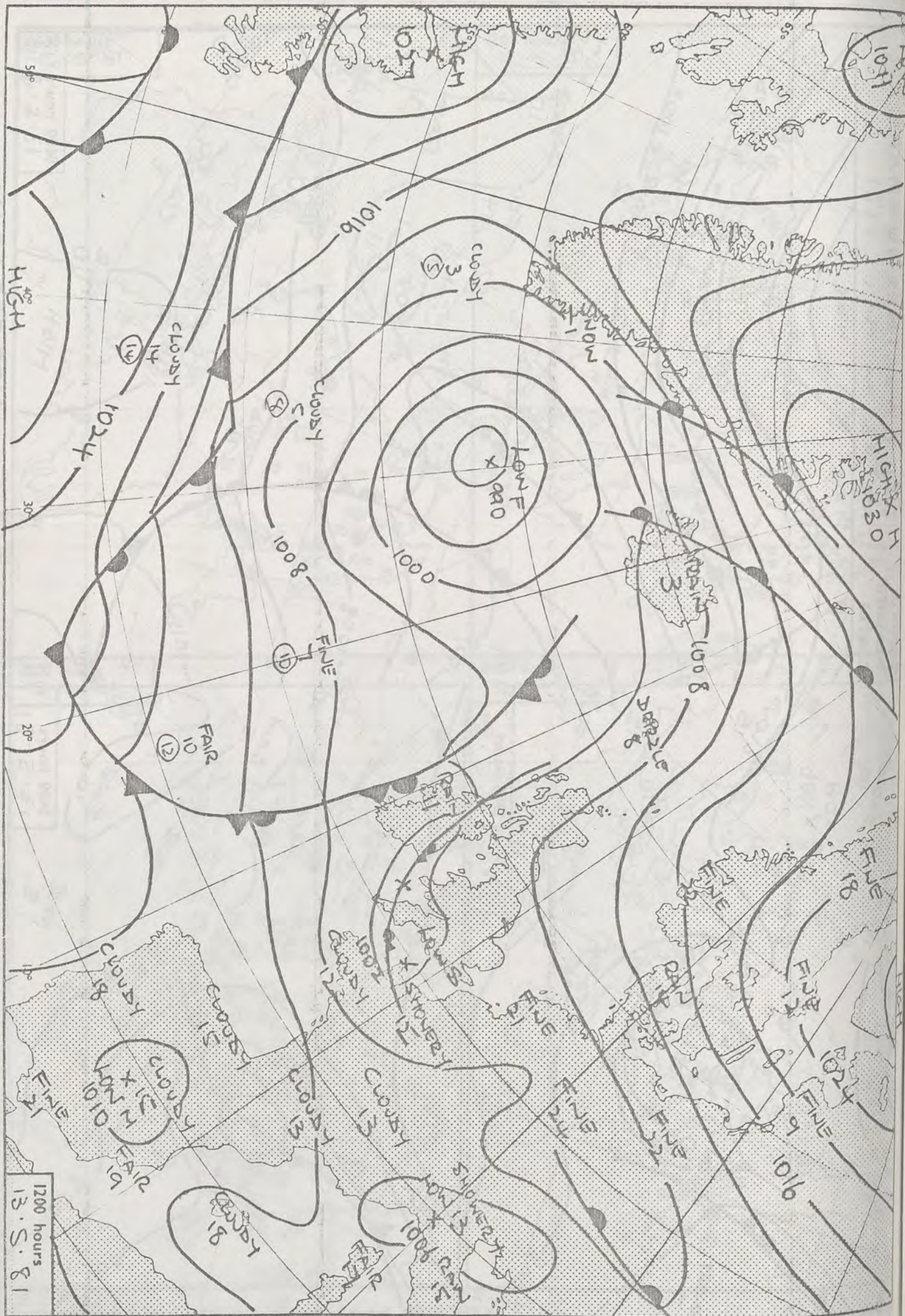
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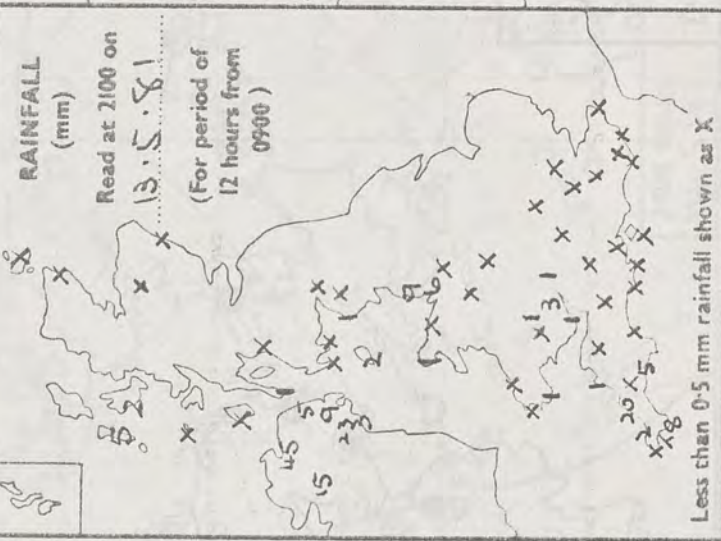
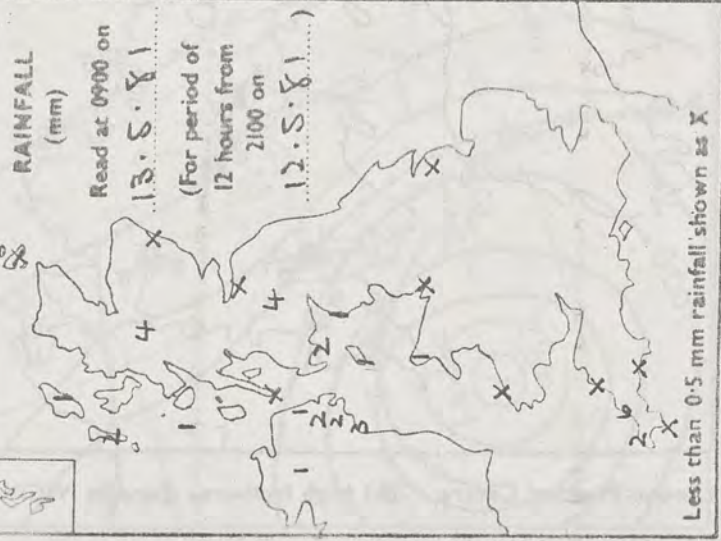
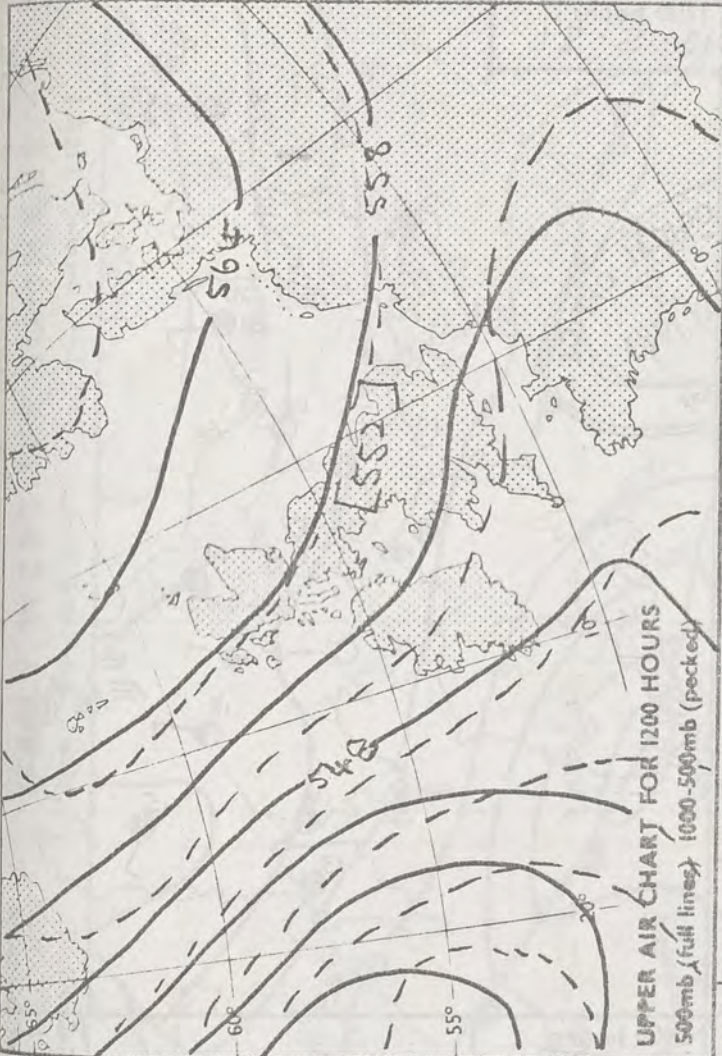
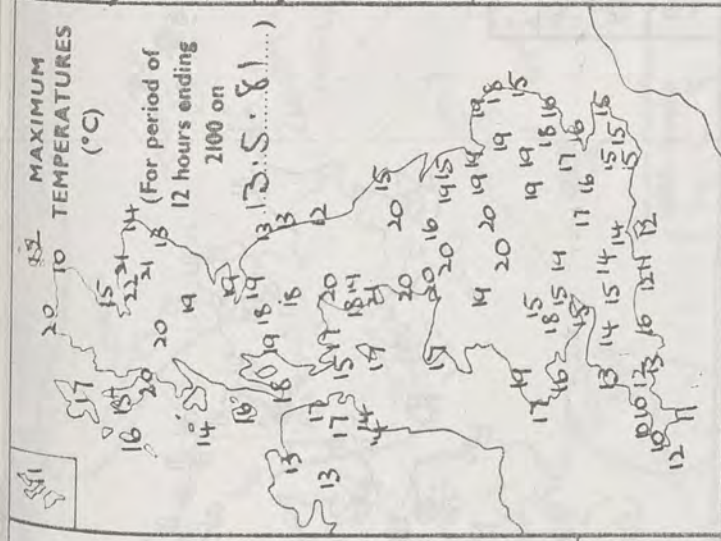
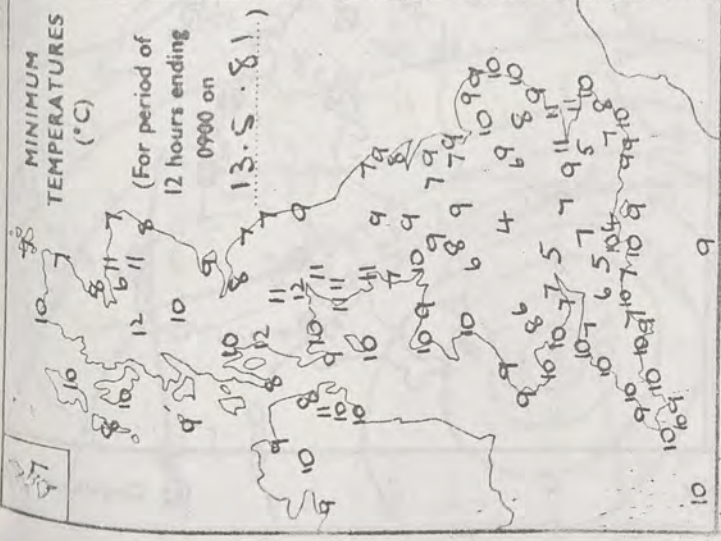


MAXIMUM
TEMPERATURES
(°C)

20 TO
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MINIMUM
TEMPERATURES
(°C)

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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
Over most of central and eastern Britain after early mist, the morning was dry with sunny periods, though on parts of the east coast mist persisted. Later cloud increased generally and there were scattered showers in Southern England, Wales and NE Scotland. In Northern Ireland and W. Scotland there were thunderstorms in the early hours and occasional rain during the day, though in NW Scotland it turned brighter and dry in the afternoon. During the evening there were further thunderstorms in Northern Ireland and regions bordering the Irish Sea, including Lancashire. In the far SW it was mainly cloudy with outbreaks of rain.

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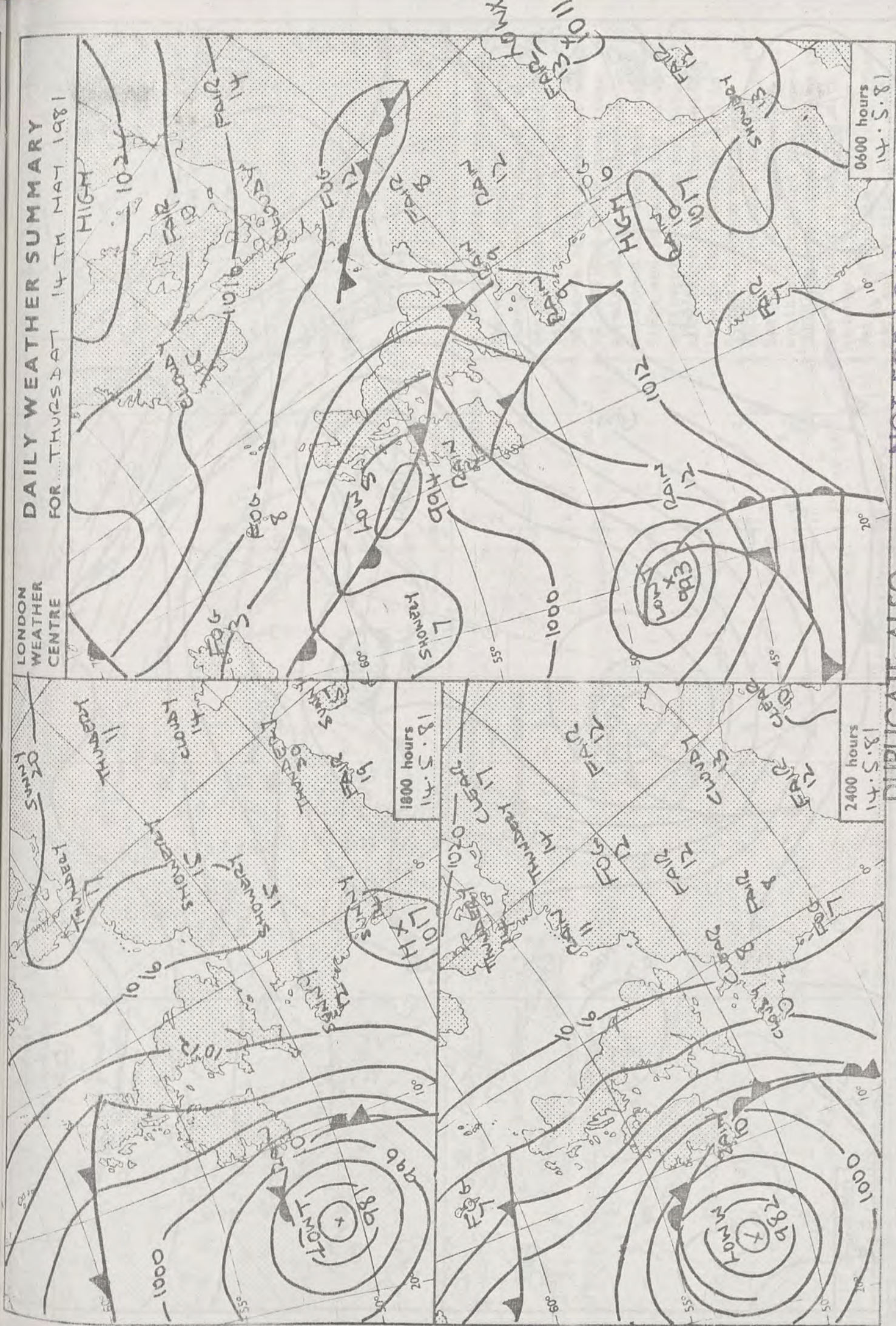


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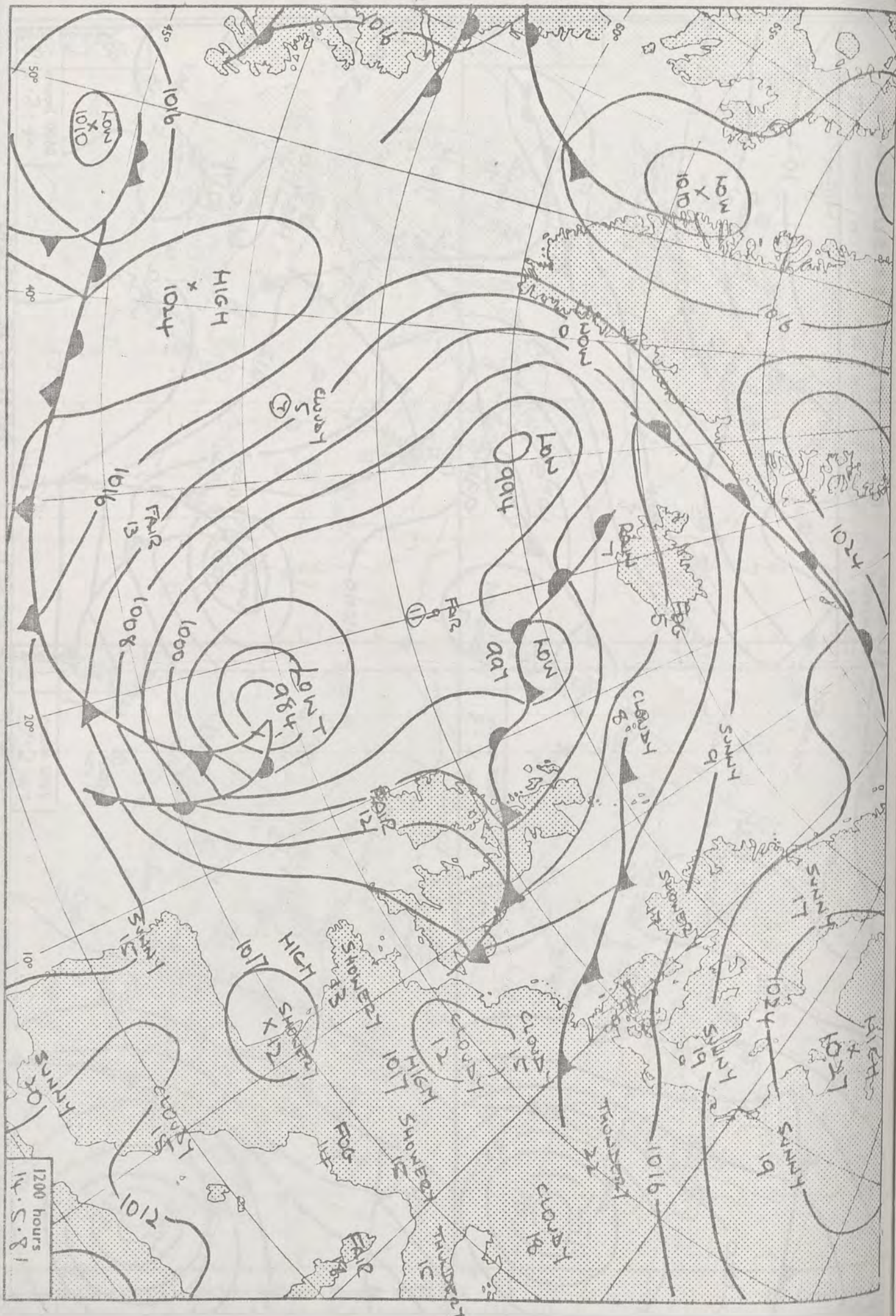


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DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
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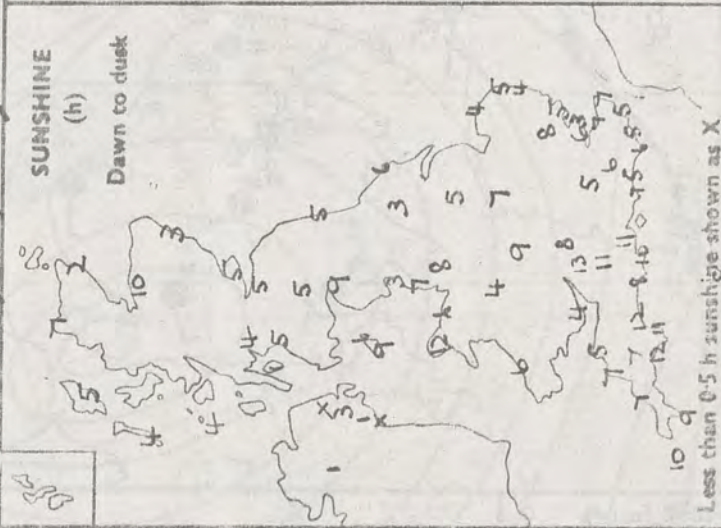
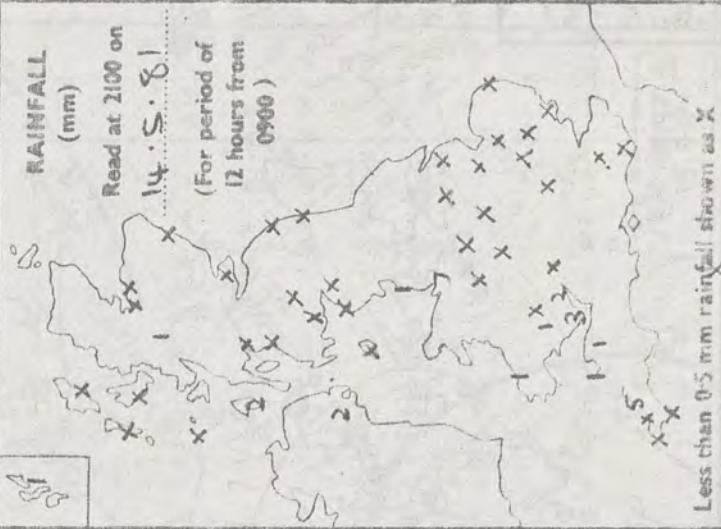
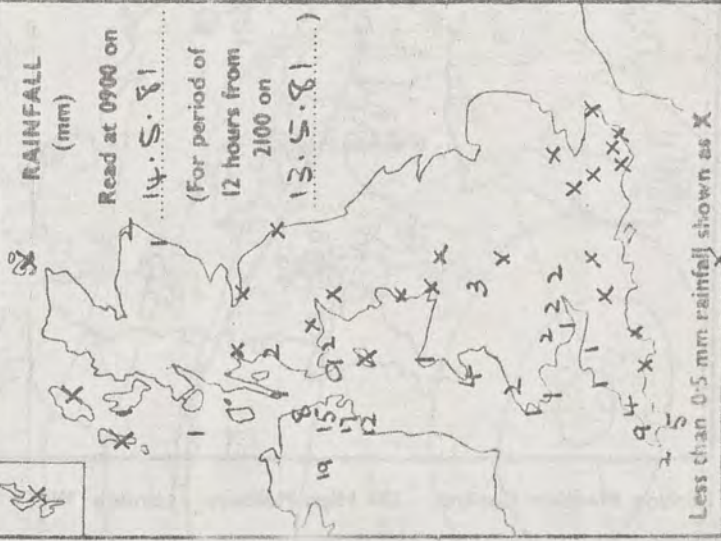
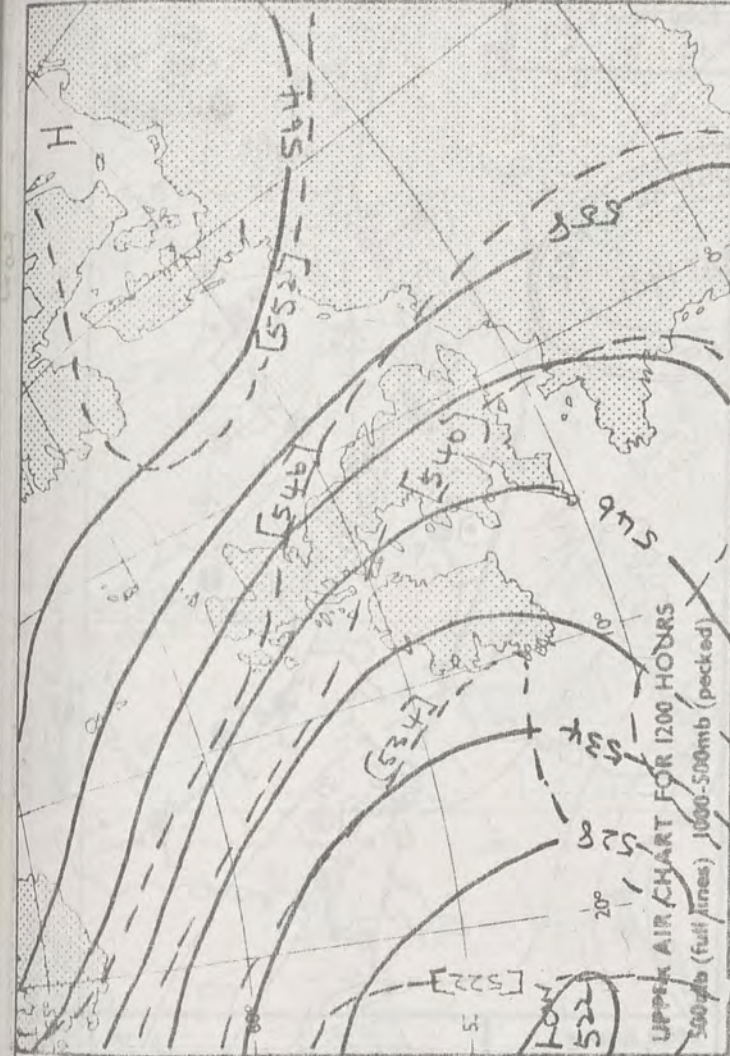
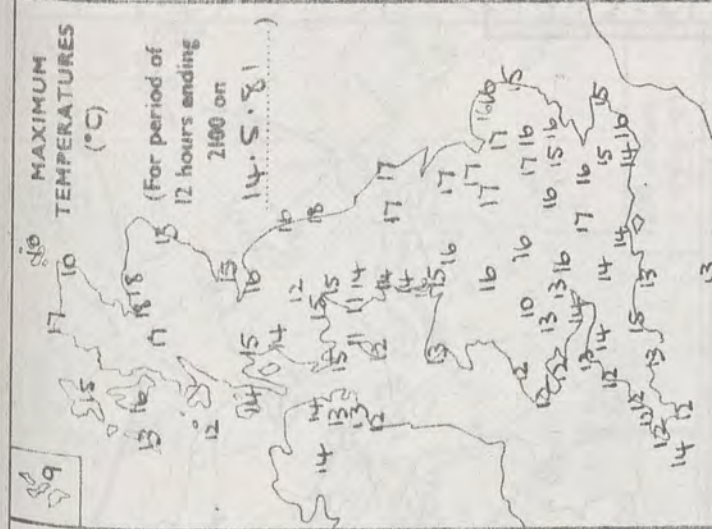
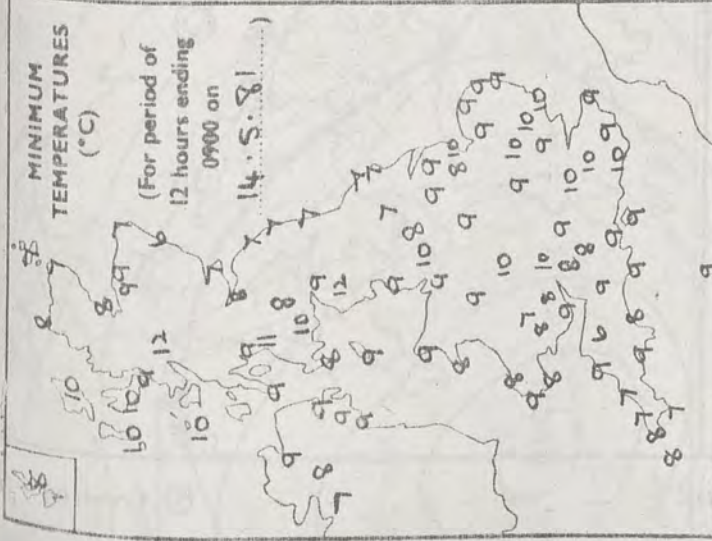


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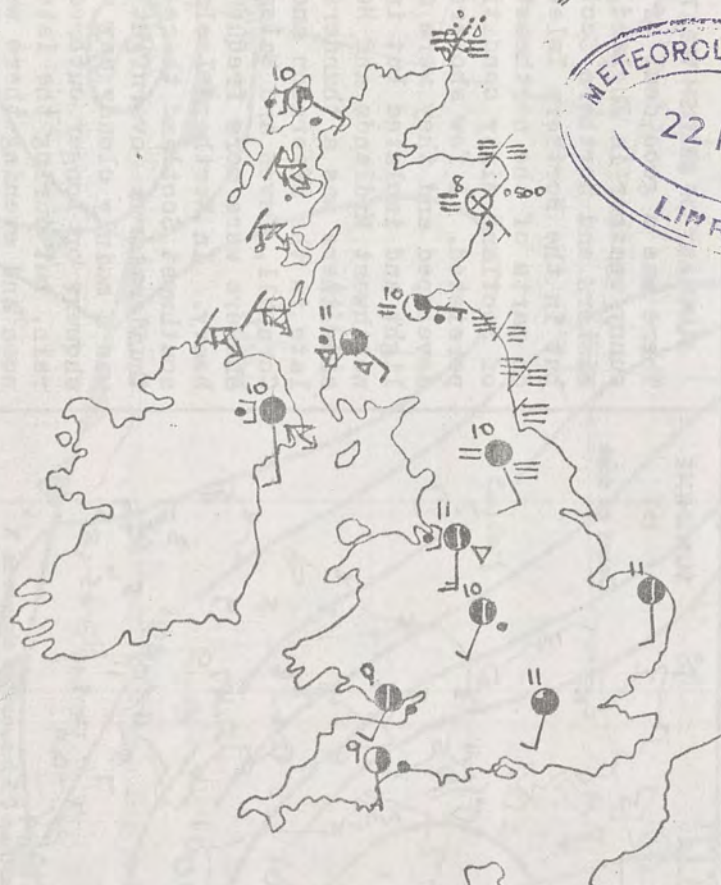


SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

There was a good deal of dry sunny weather in England, Wales, eastern and northern Scotland but in the Northern Isles and on parts of the northeast coast of Scotland misty conditions persisted. A few showers developed and they were mainly light and isolated but in the northwest Midlands and Merseyside there was a thunderstorm late in the afternoon and in Cornwall, Devon and Wales showers were more frequent and heavy. In Northern Ireland and southwest Scotland there were thunderstorms overnight and it was a mainly cloudy day with showers or longer outbreaks of rain, but during the late afternoon and evening there were -

- SUNNY INTERVALS

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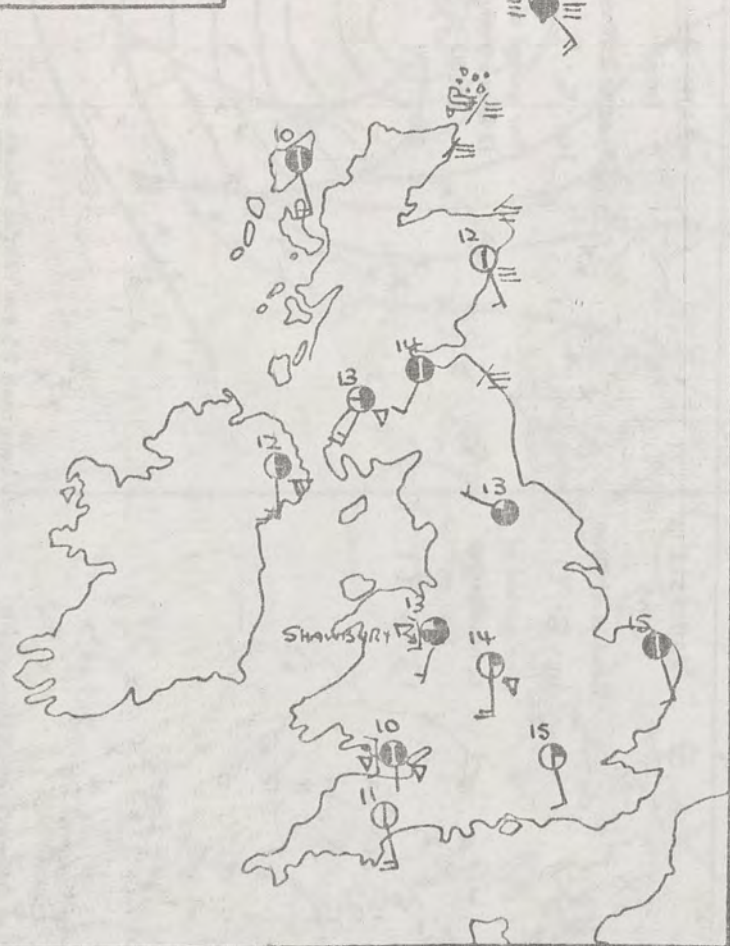


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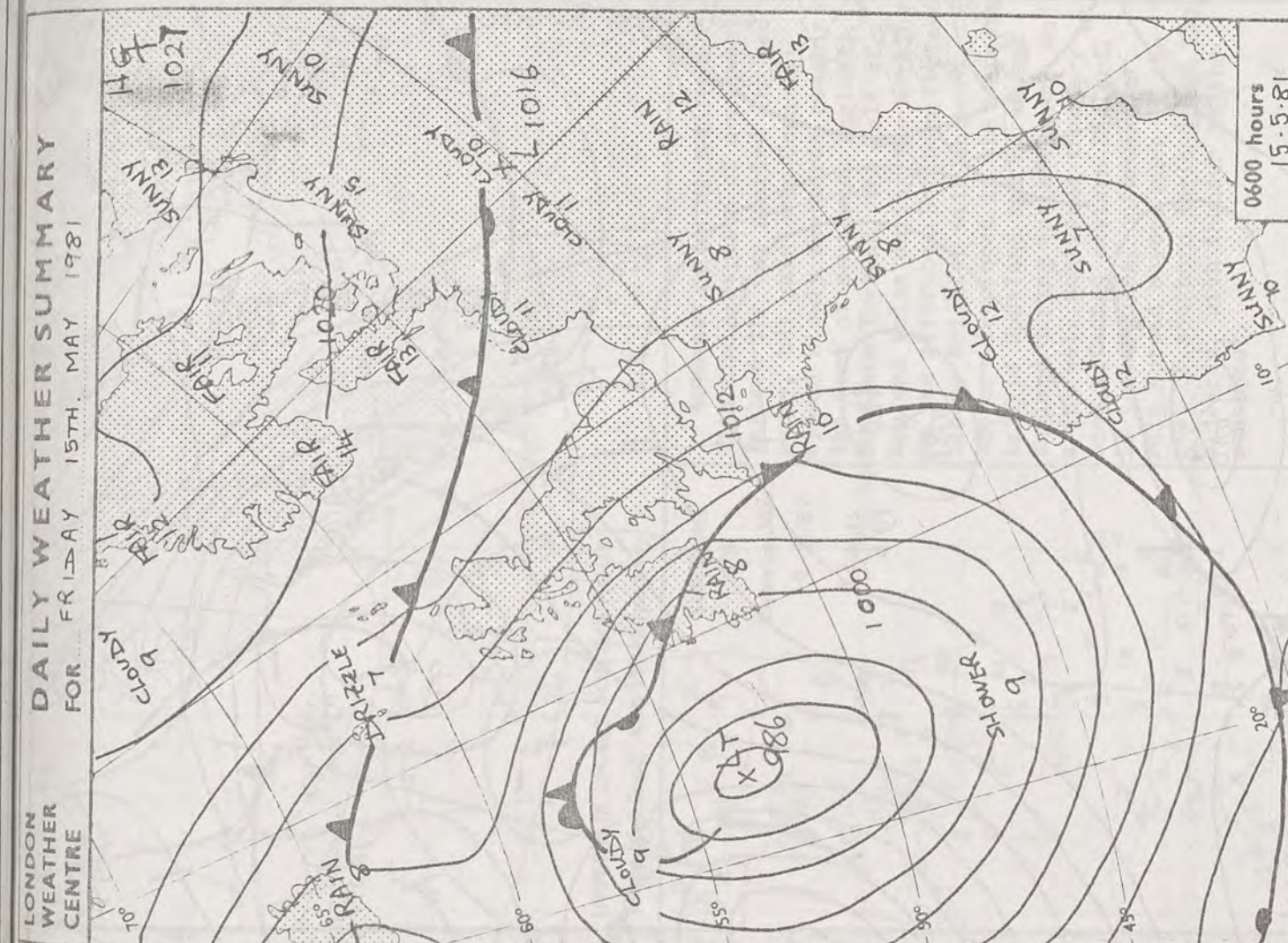
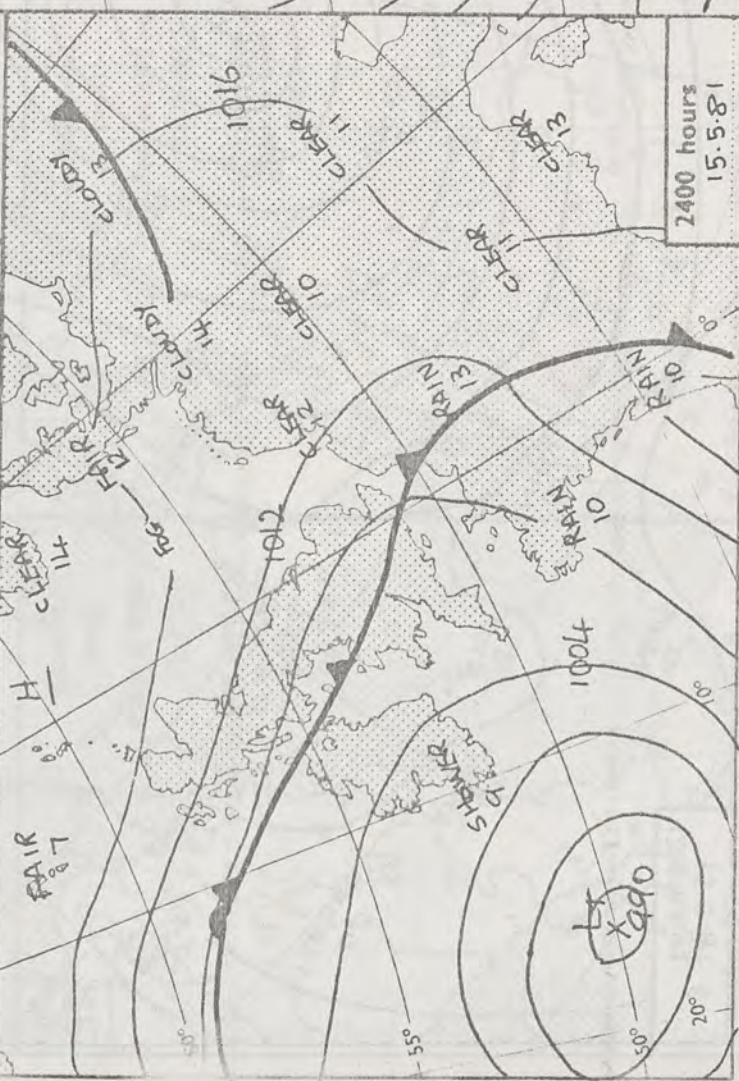
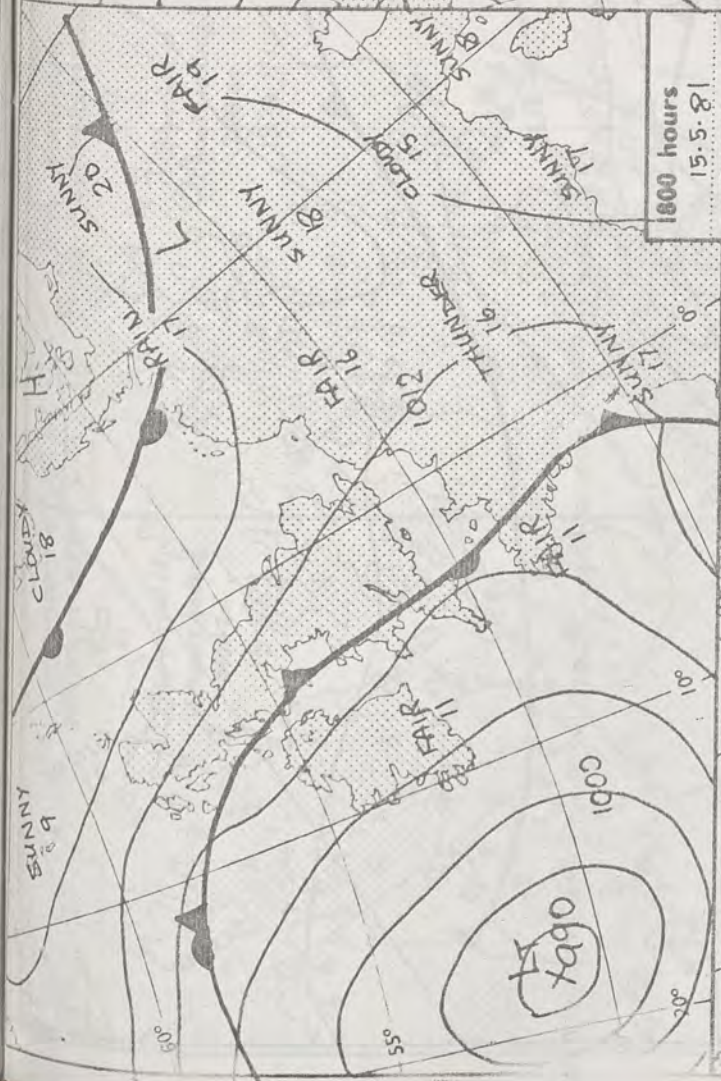


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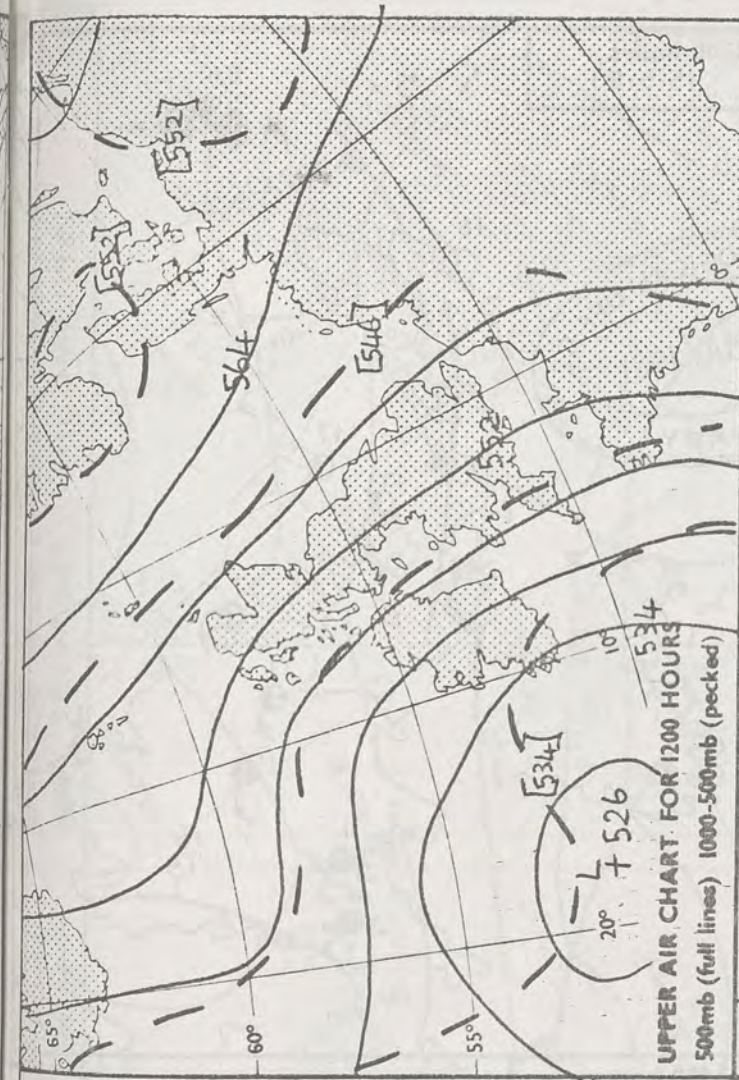


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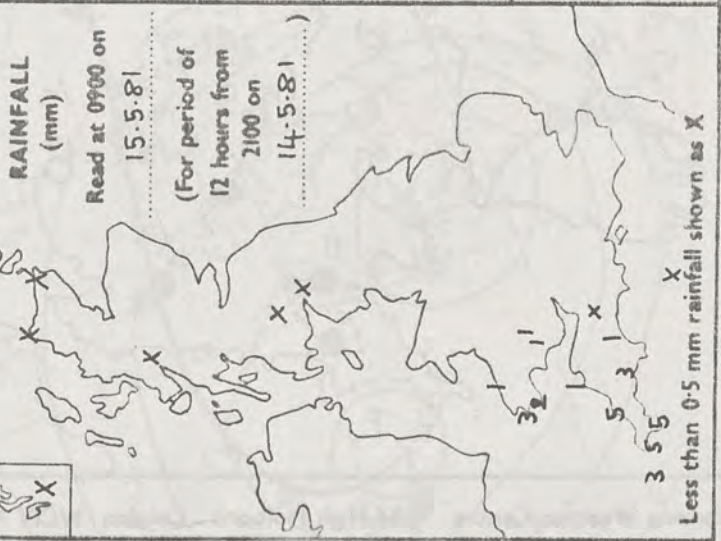
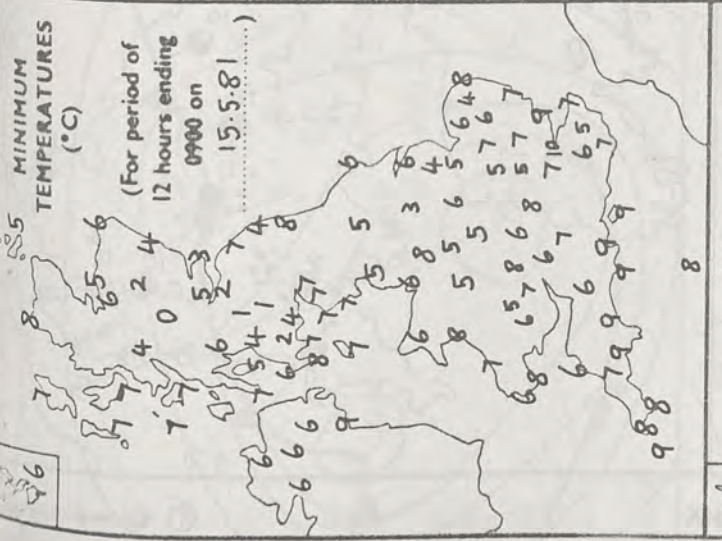
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UPPER AIR CHART FOR 1200 HOURS
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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
With the exception of southwest England the day started dry and sunny, but rain over Cornwall spread slowly eastwards reaching the rest of southwest England, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man and Wales during the morning. By the afternoon Northern Ireland became brighter with showers. Showers developed in the southern half of Scotland and northwest England during the afternoon and a few well scattered thundery ones affected eastern England. In the evening, outbreaks of the rain spread across much of the rest of southern England and the Midlands, with thunder in the southeast.



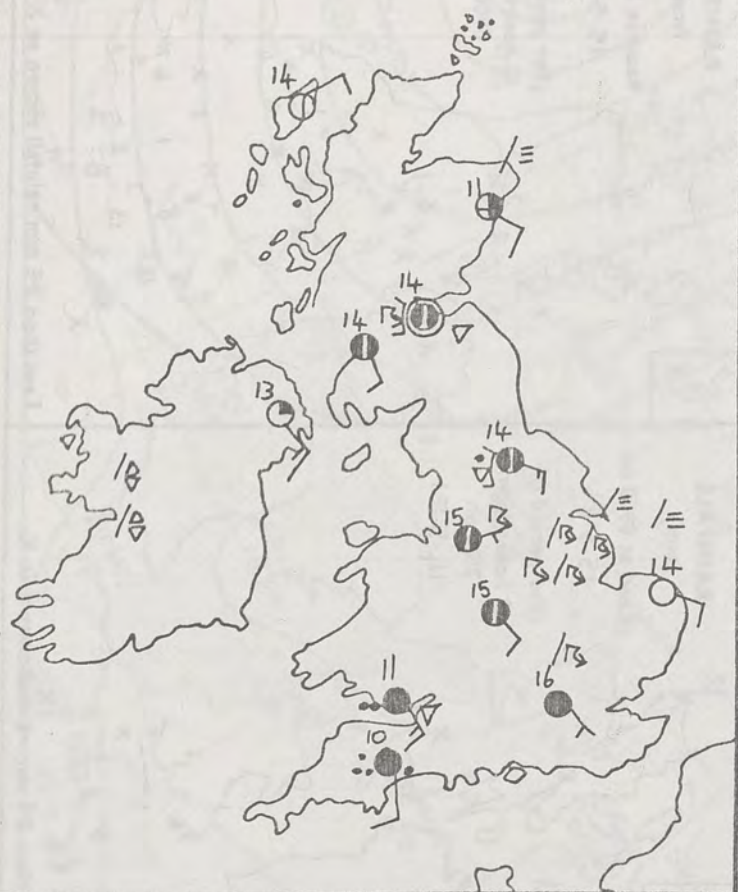
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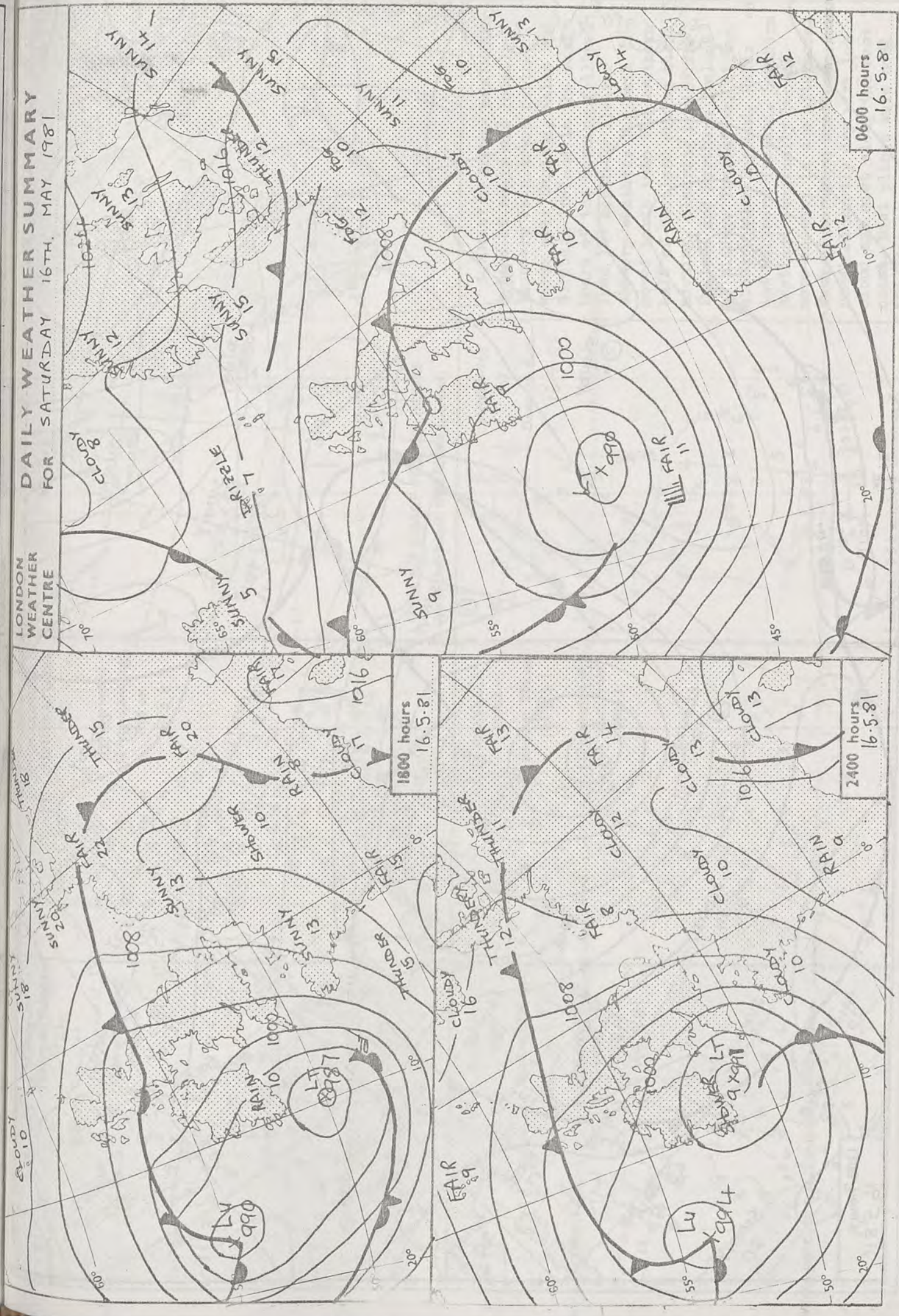


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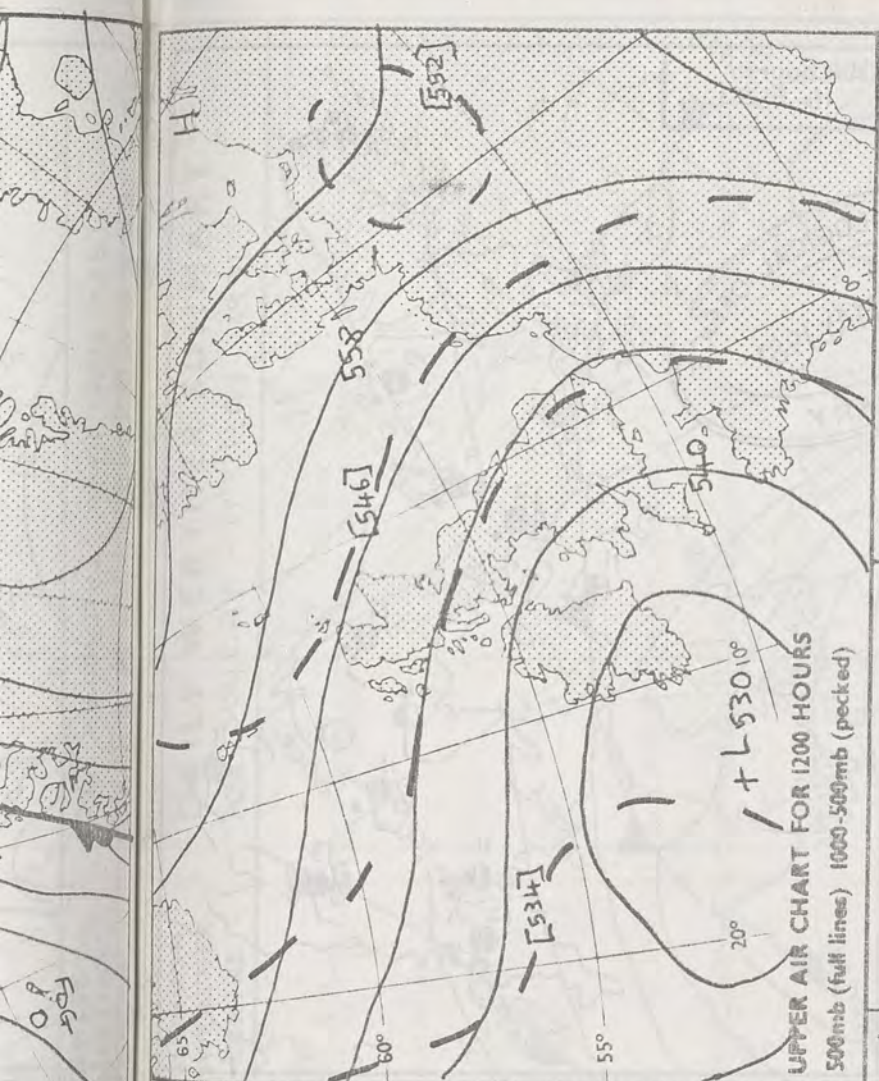


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DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
FOR SATURDAY 16TH. MAY 1981

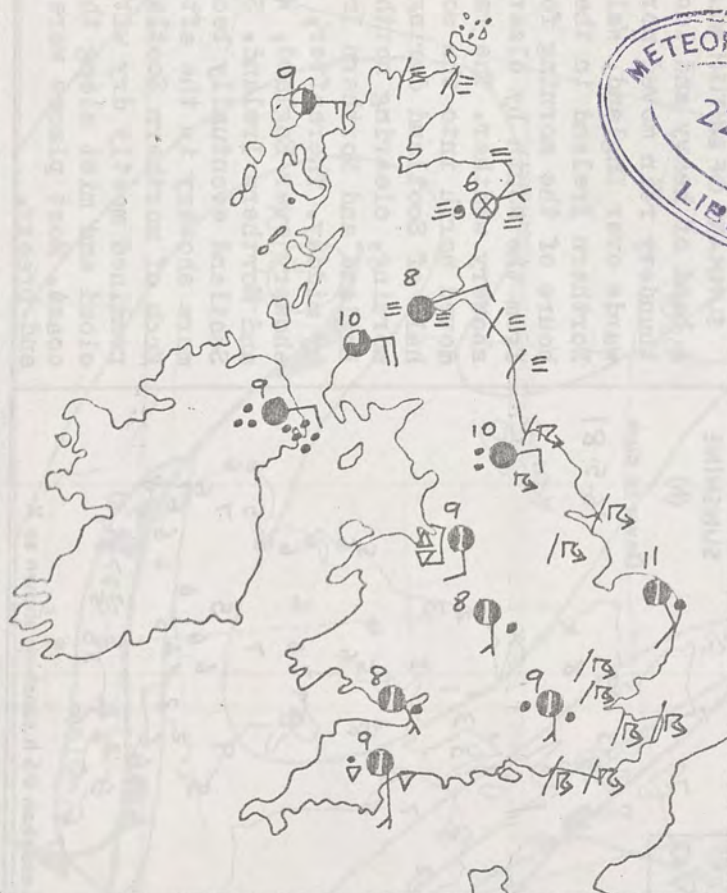
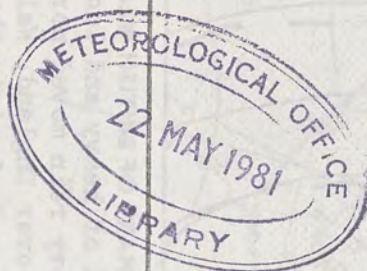


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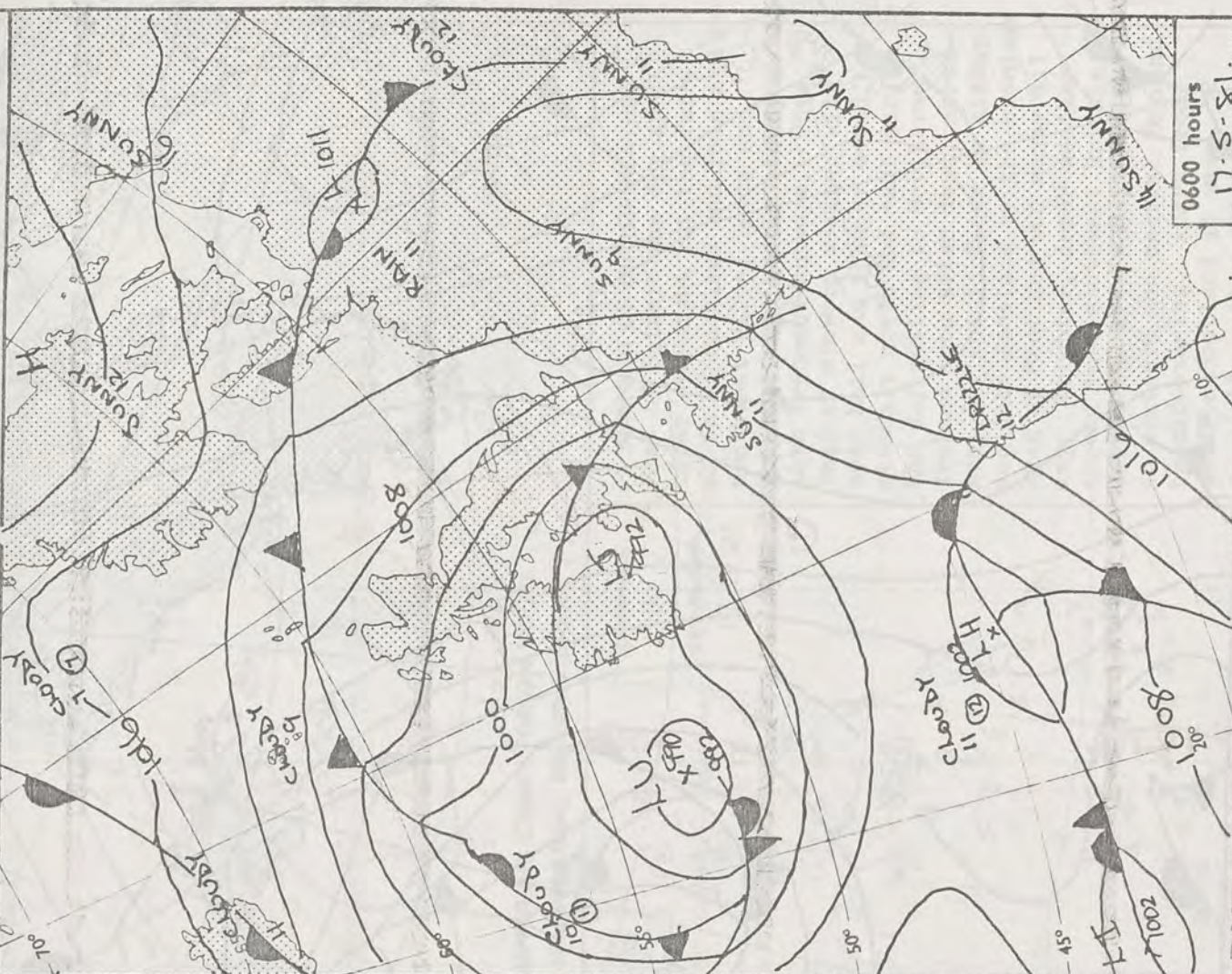
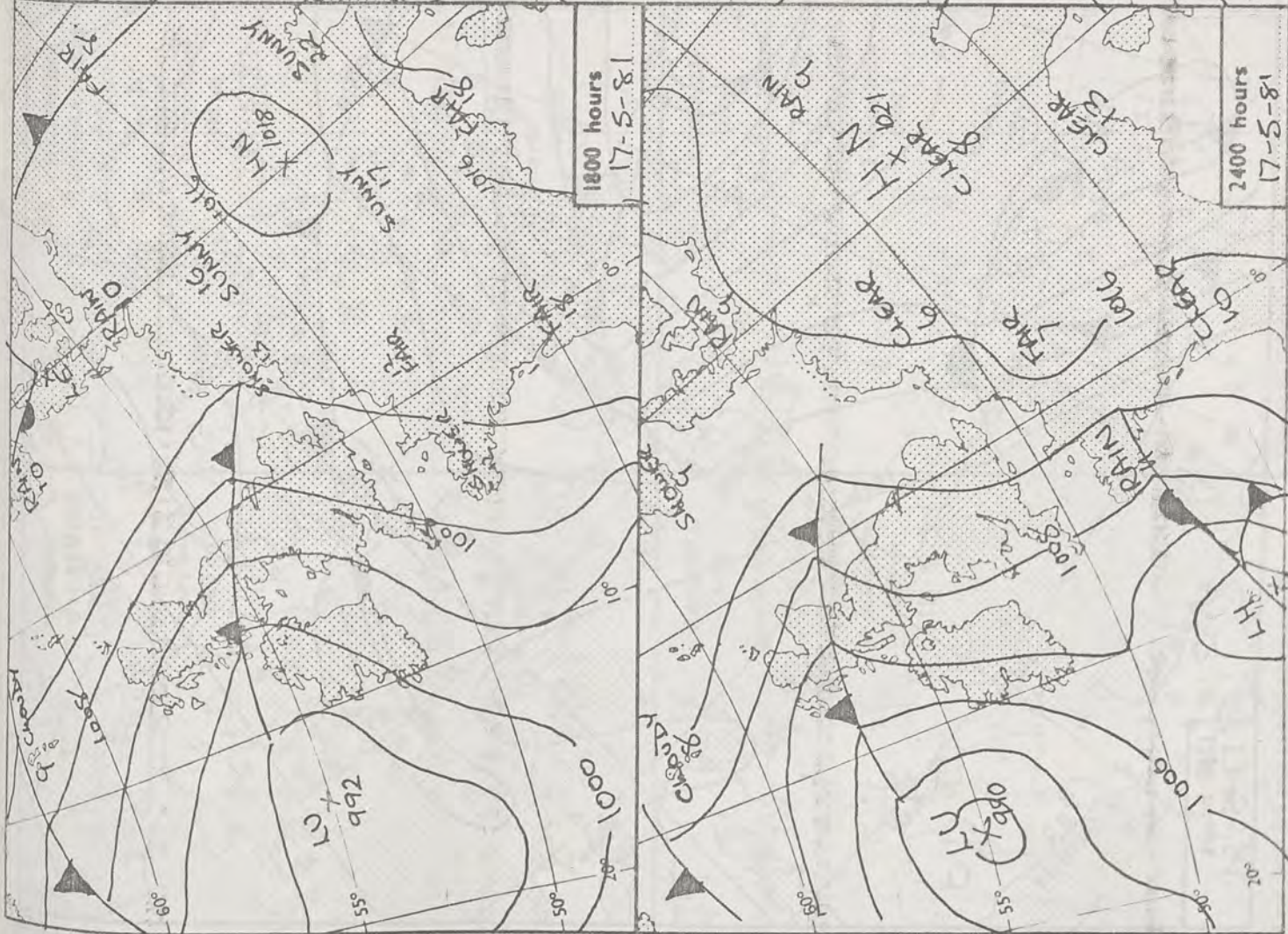
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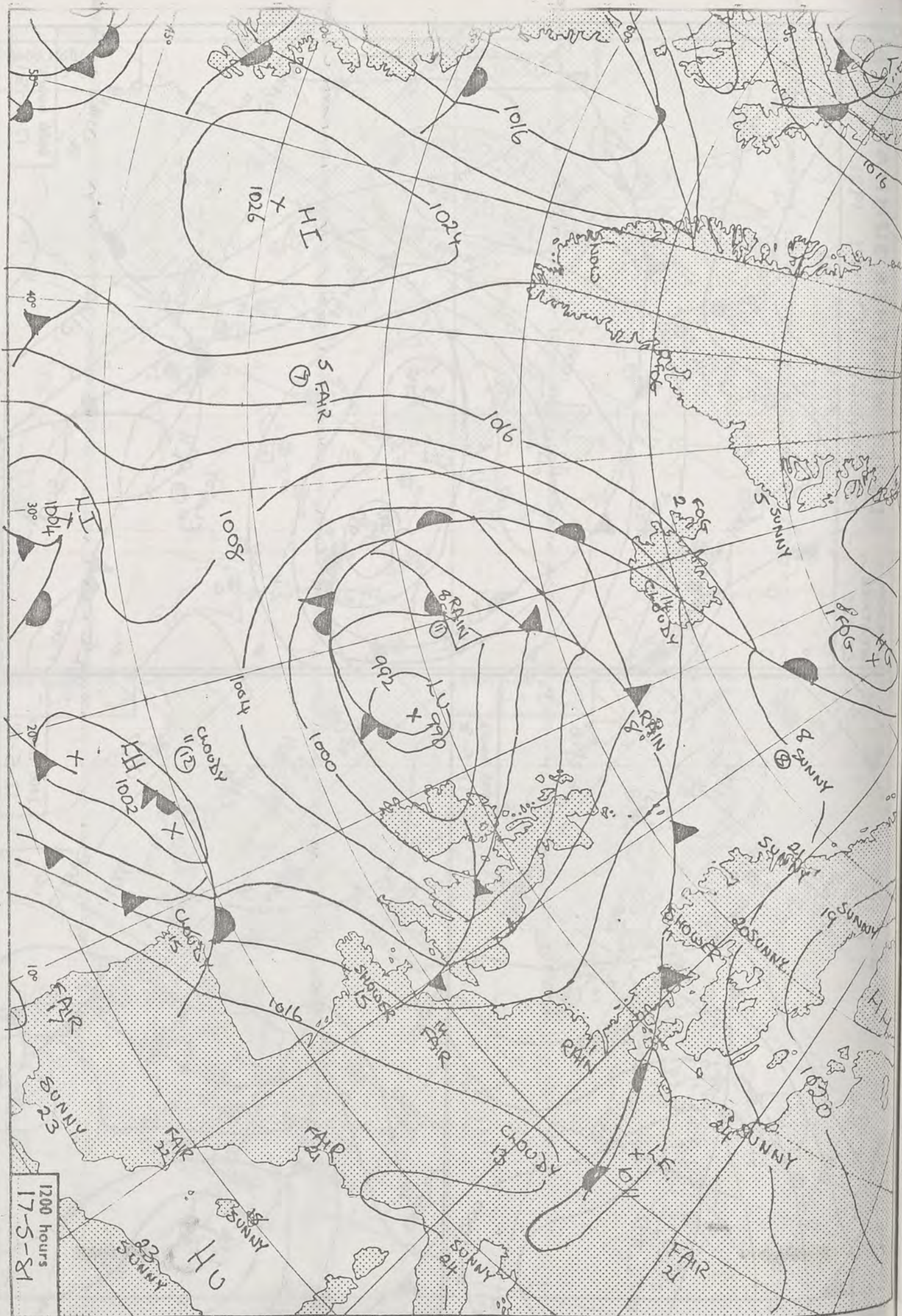


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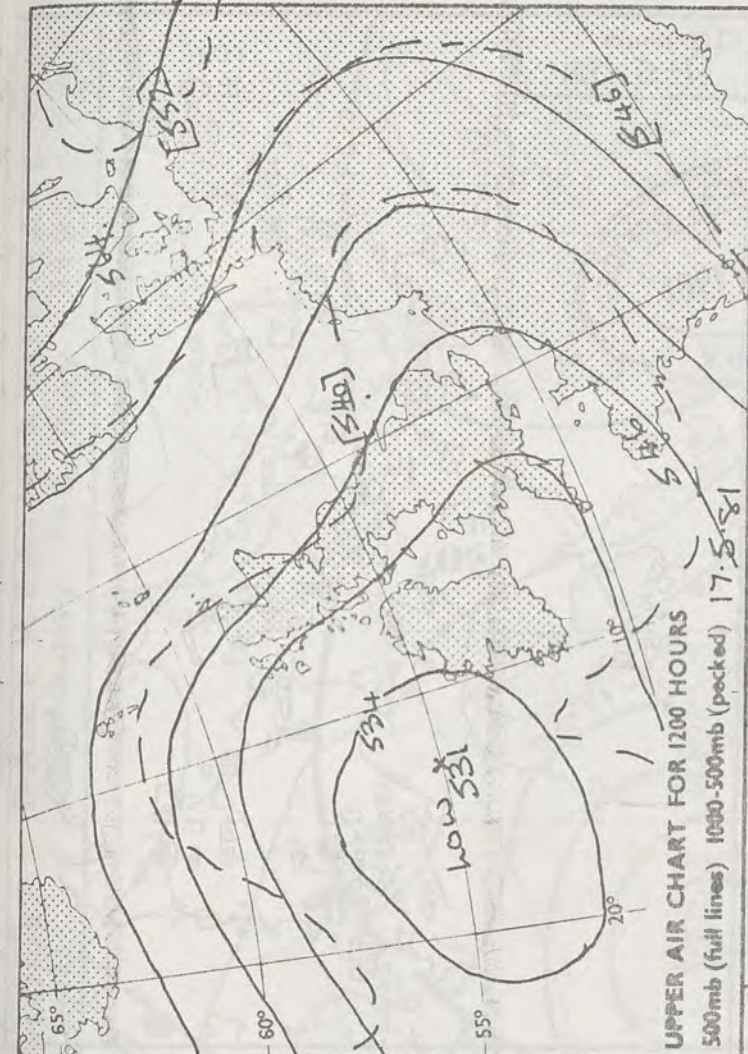


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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

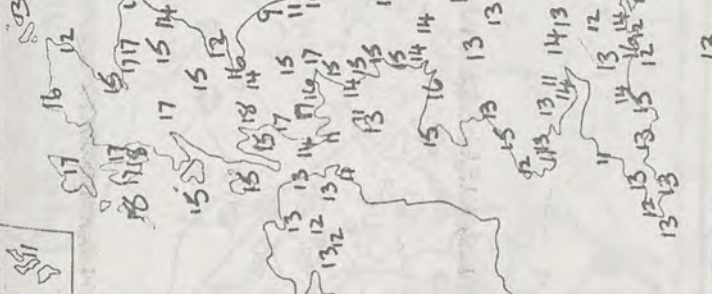
Most of Britain was dry and clear overnight but the far north of Scotland had rain and southwest Wales, Devon and Cornwall were mostly cloudy with frequent showers. This band of showery weather with some hail and thunder moved steadily north and east during the day getting to Northern Ireland soon after dawn, north-west England to Essex by midday and into Scotland by the evening. Much of Scotland was sunny all day; brighter, drier weather spread into southwest Britain during the afternoon, getting to southern and central England by mid-evening. Apart from western Scotland it was generally rather cold.

SUNSHINE



MINIMUM TEMPERATURES (°C)

(For period of 12 hours ending 0900 on 17.5.81...)

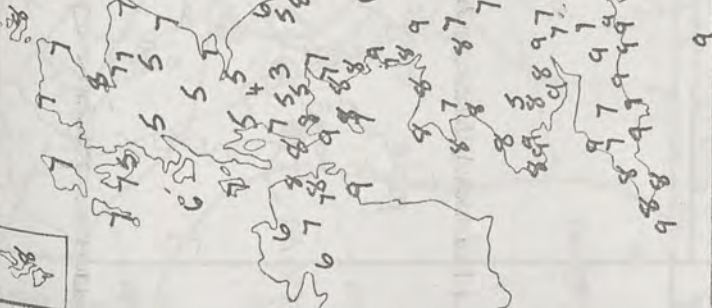


RAINFALL (mm)



MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES (°C)

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RAINFALL (mm)



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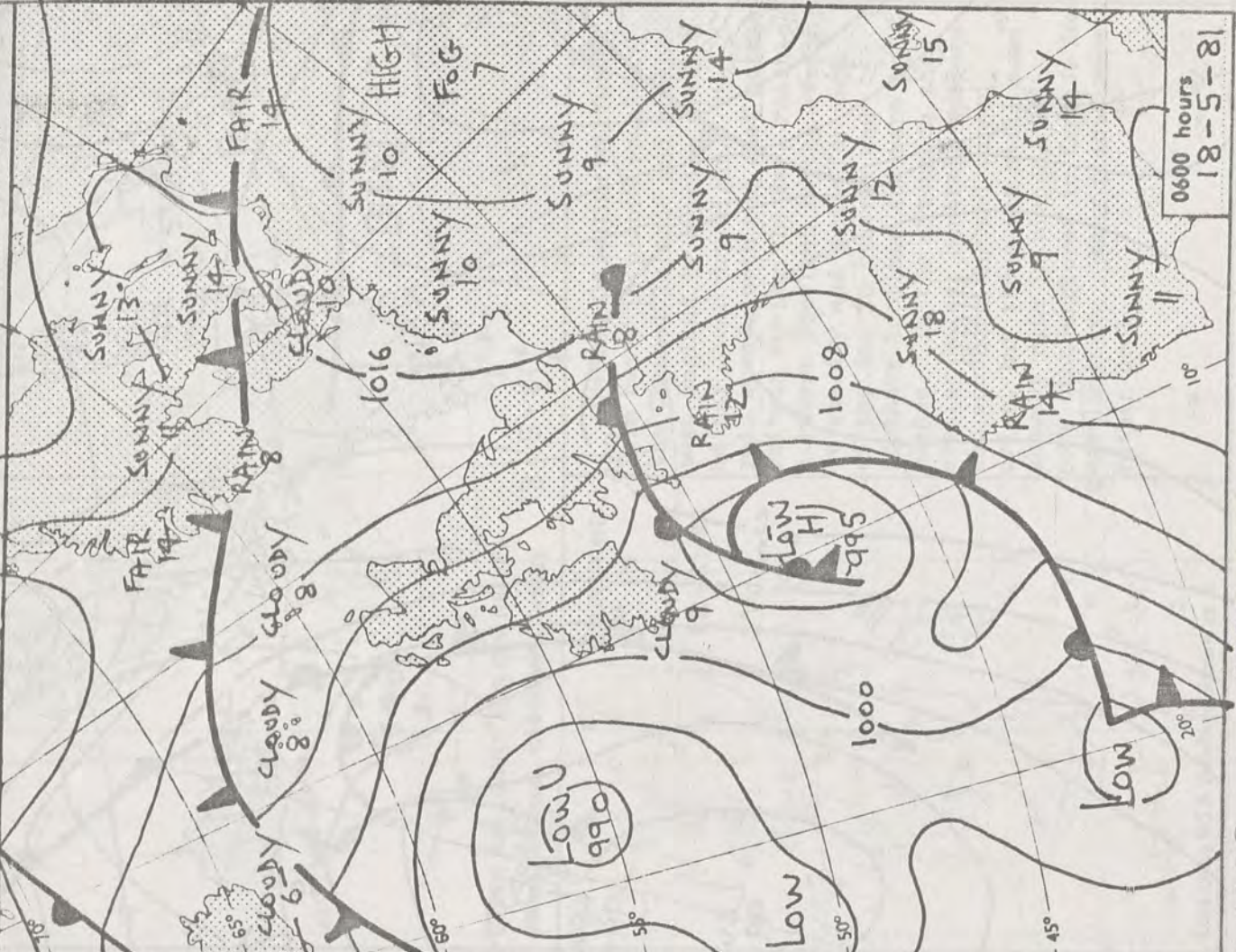
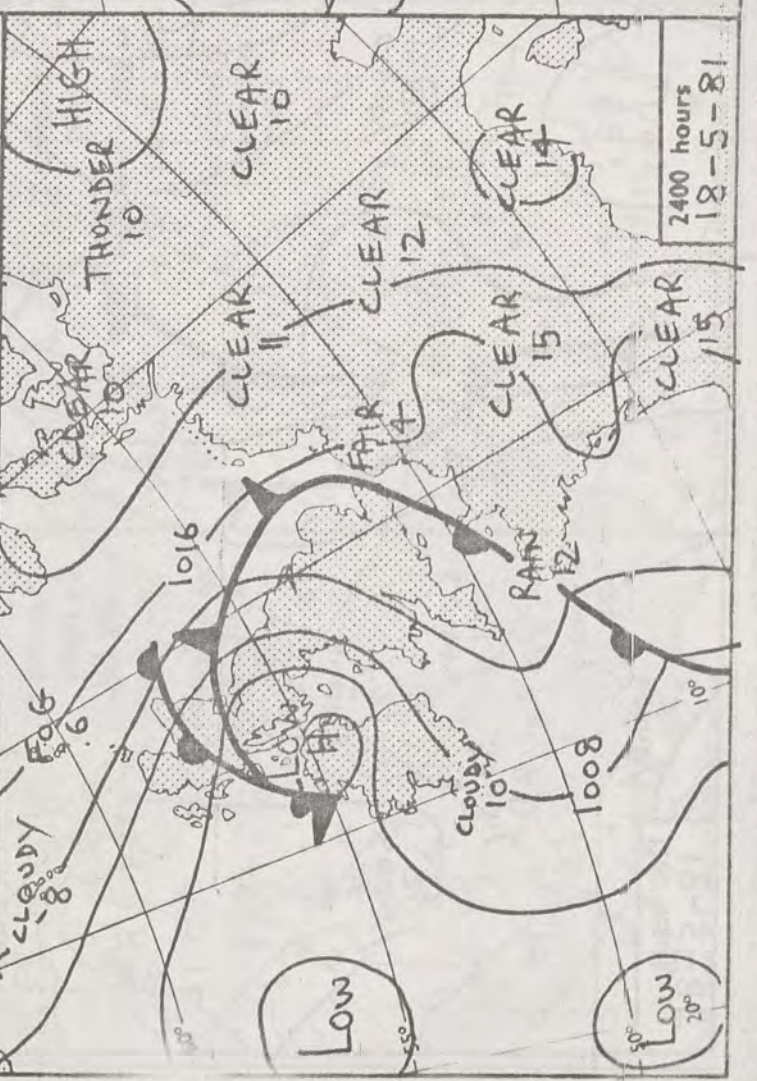
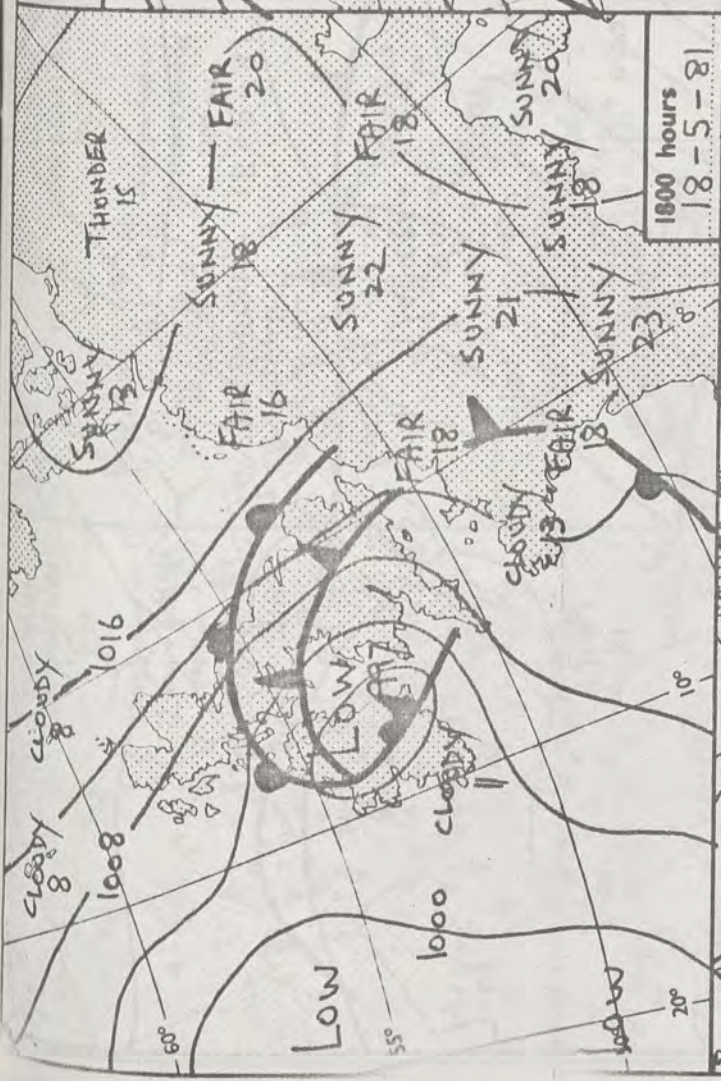
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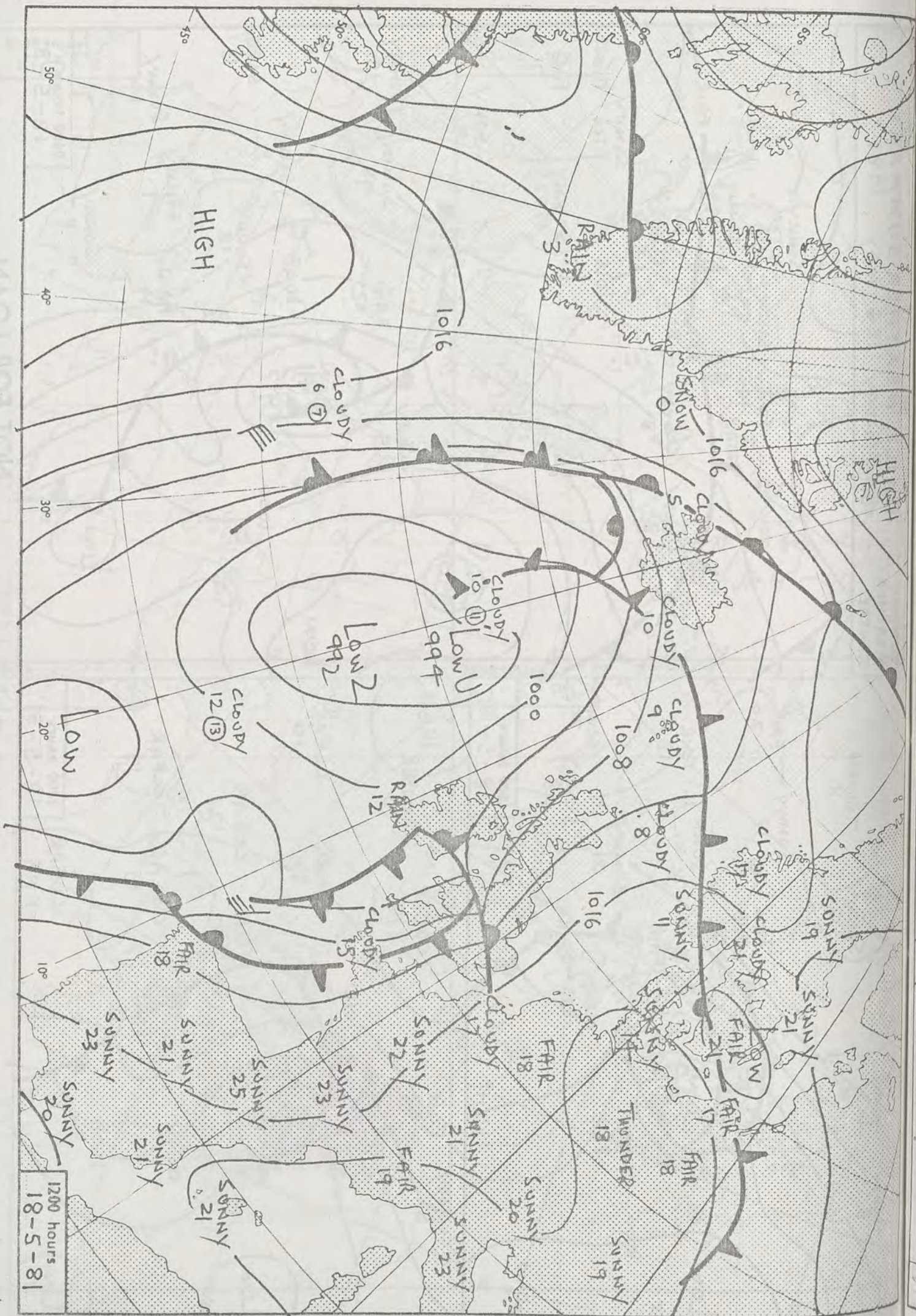
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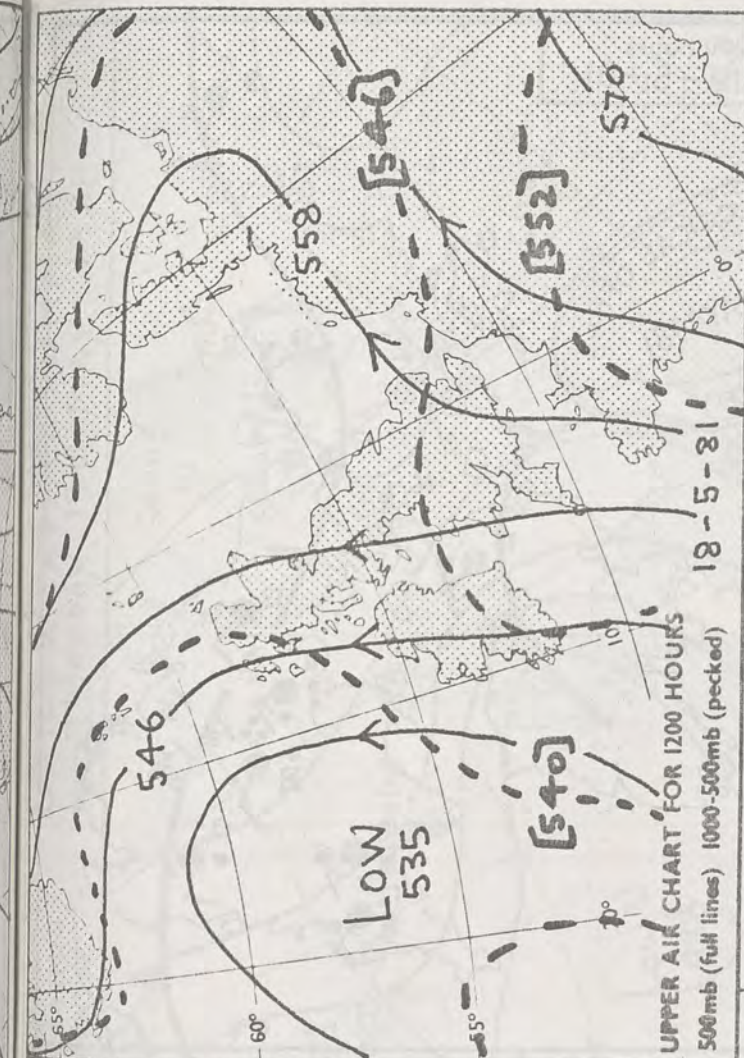
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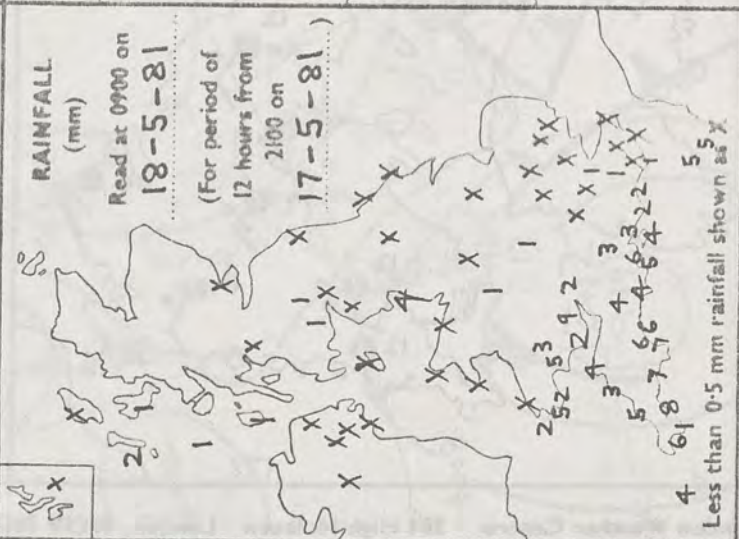
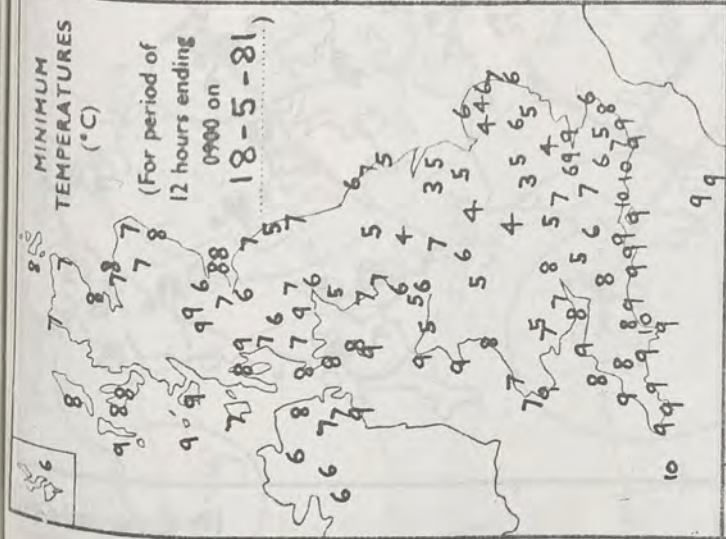
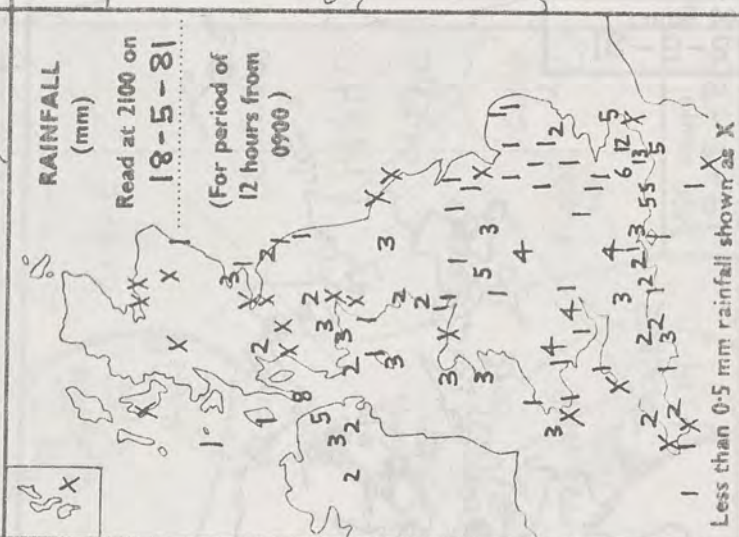
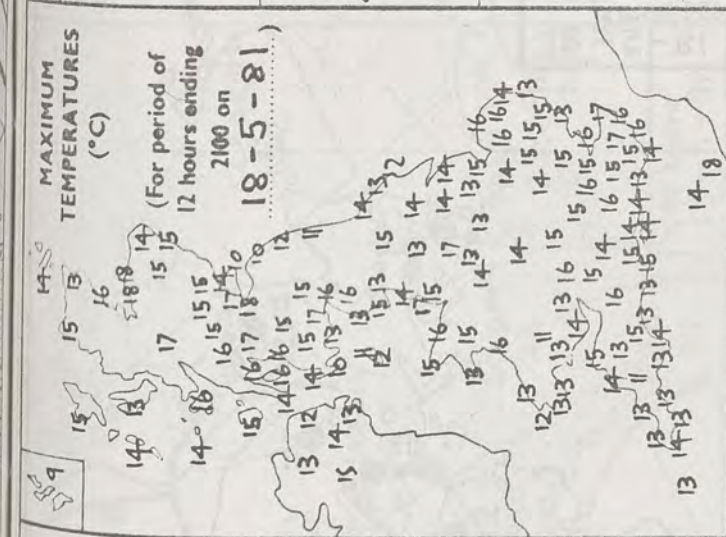
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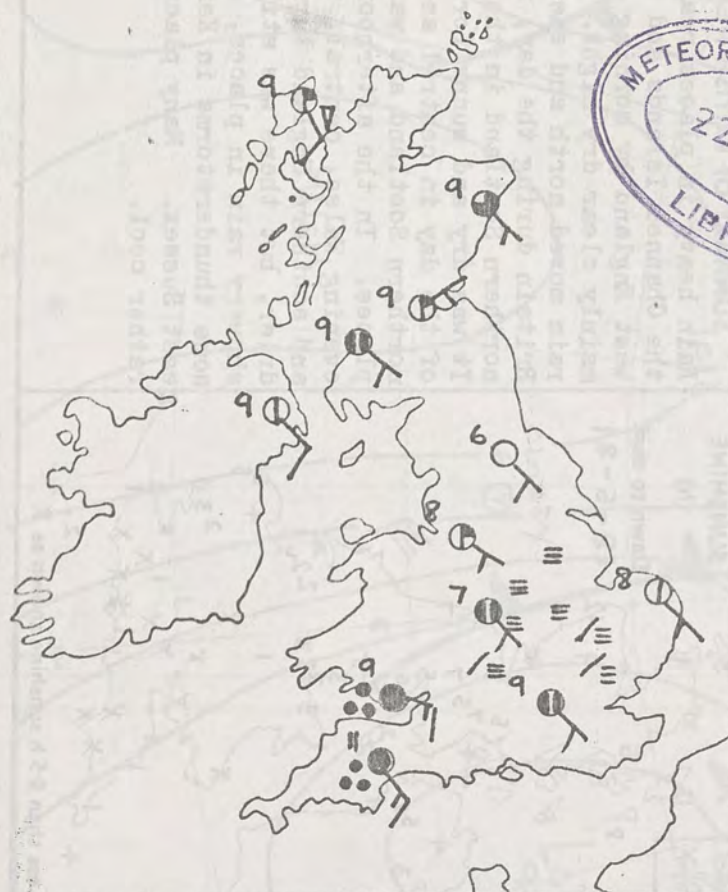




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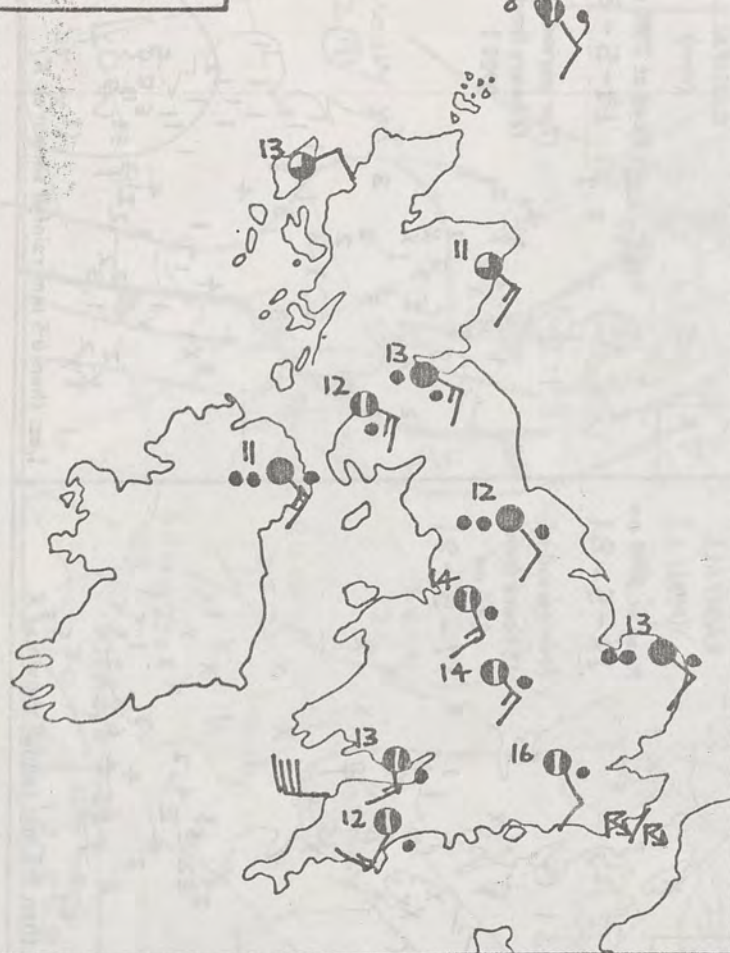
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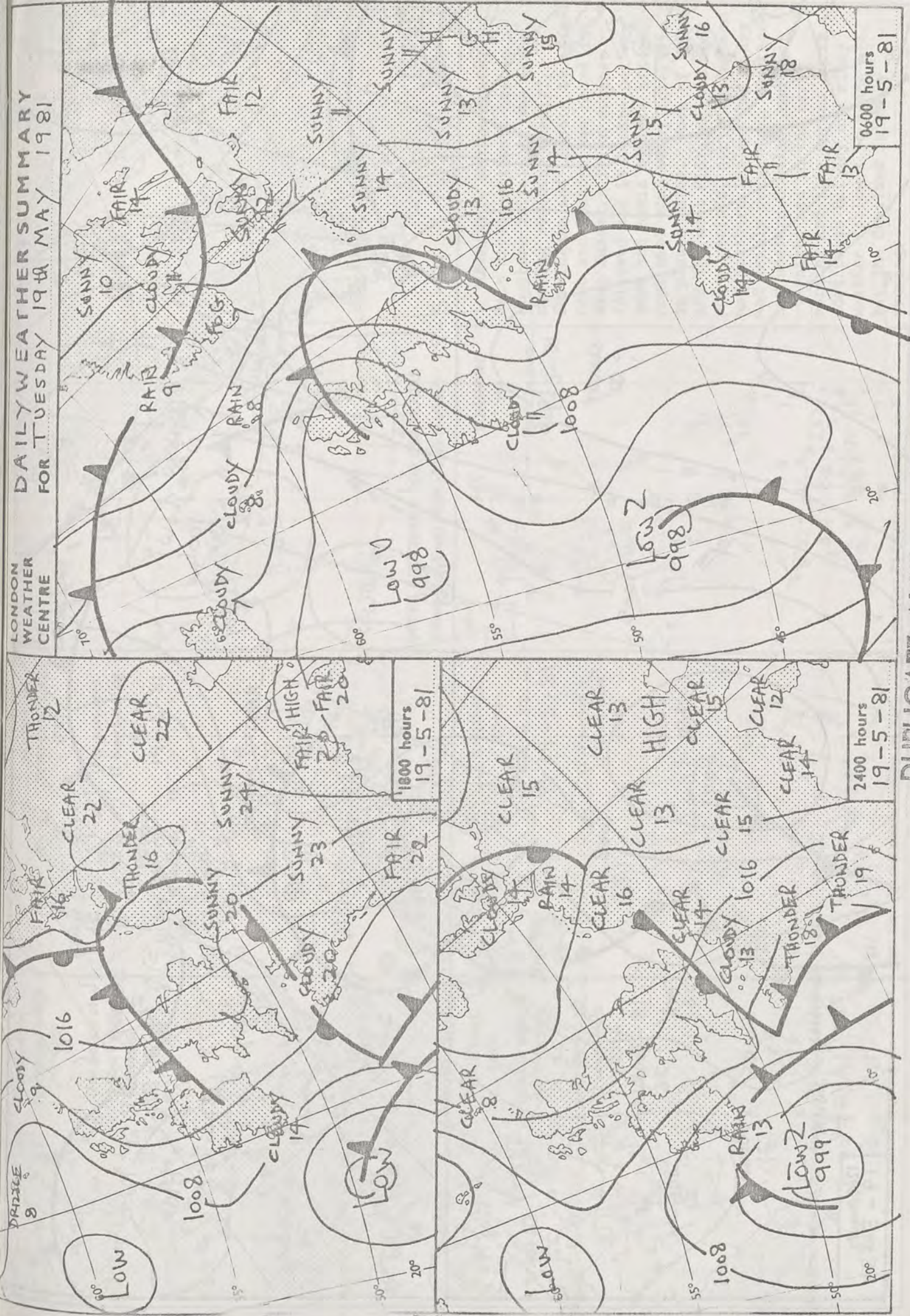
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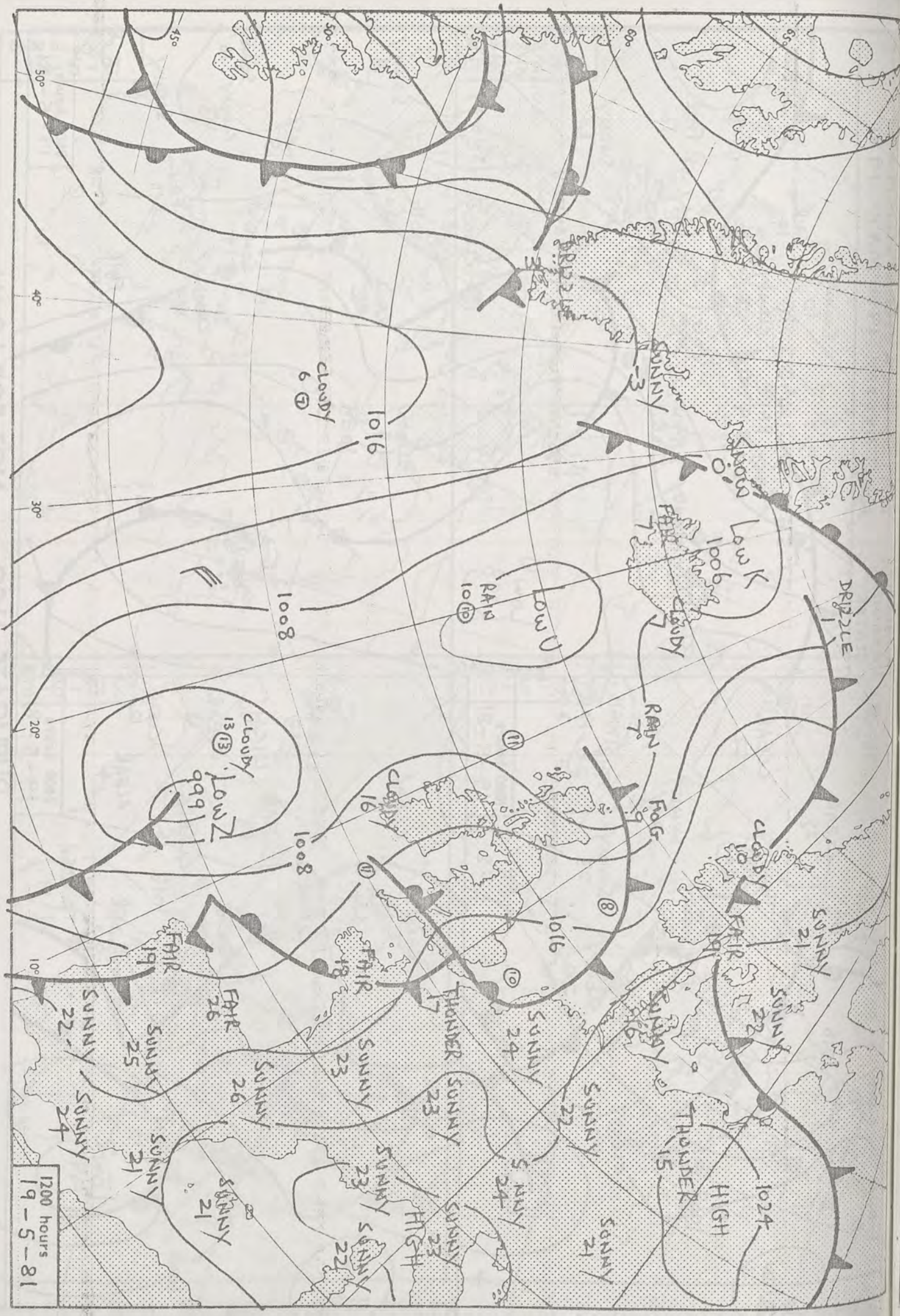
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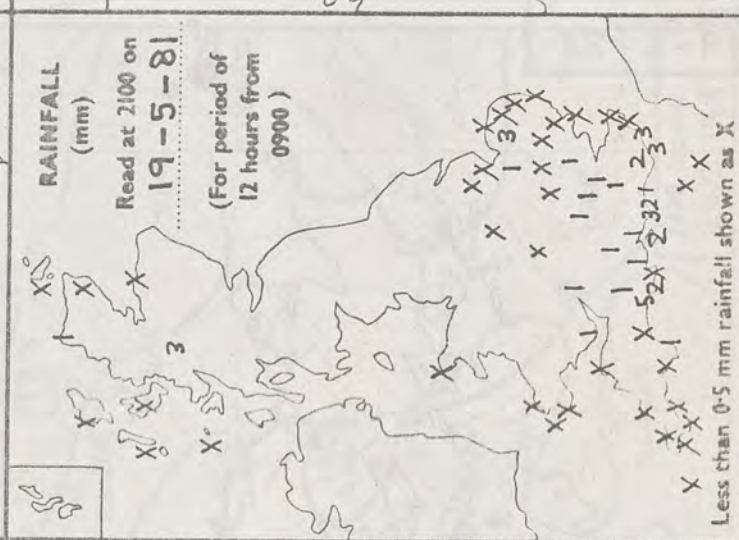
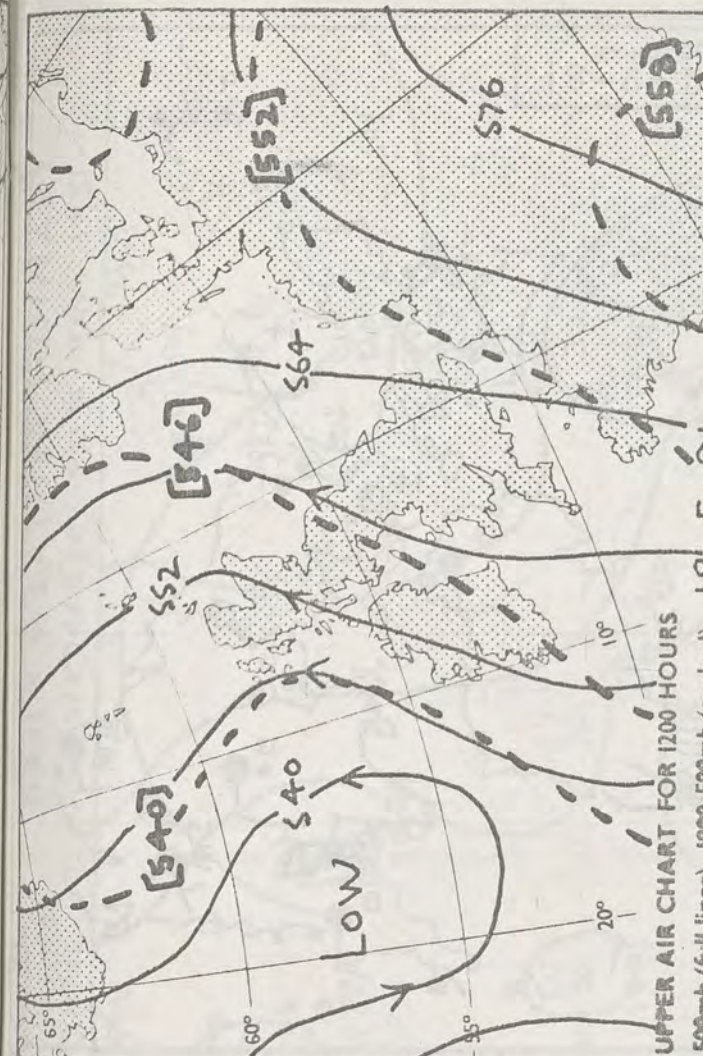
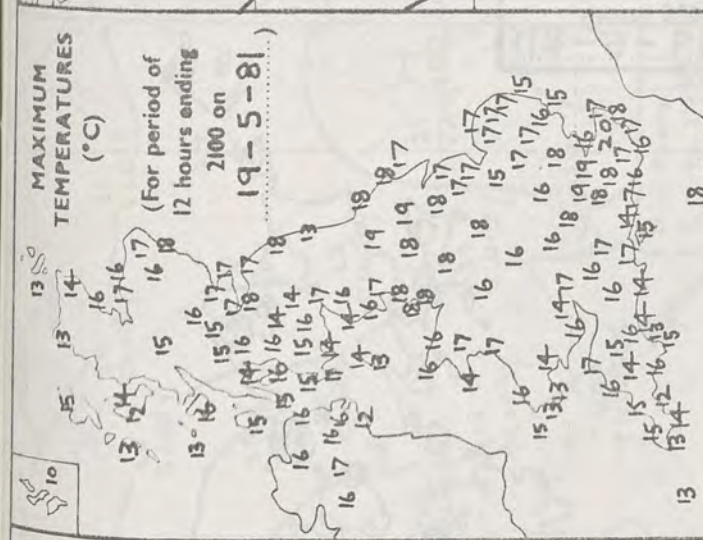
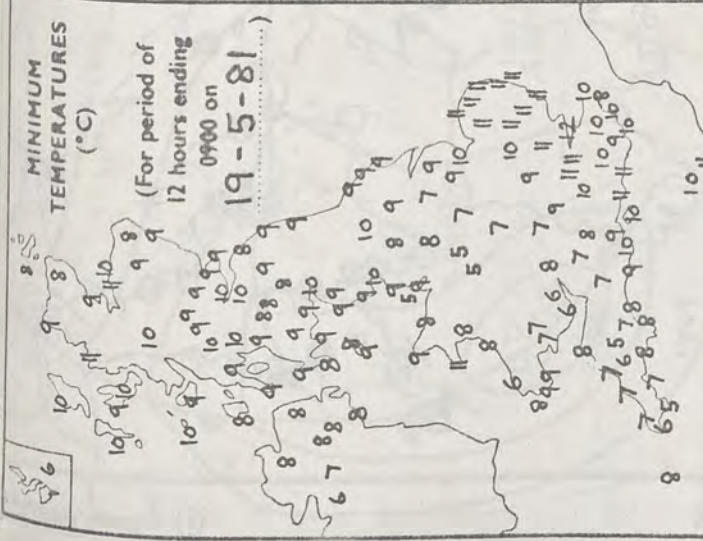
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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
Rain moved northeast across southern Britain in the early morning reaching Cardiff, Birmingham and Lincoln by afternoon and thunder was heard in east Sussex. Drier weather followed and it became quite warm and humid by late afternoon with some sunny intervals in places later. Most of Wales and the west Midlands had some sunny periods, northern England and Northern Ireland had a dry and mainly sunny day. Southern and western Scotland had rain overnight and in the early morning and this spread north to most parts but dry and sunny weather followed to reach all but the Shetland Isles by evening.

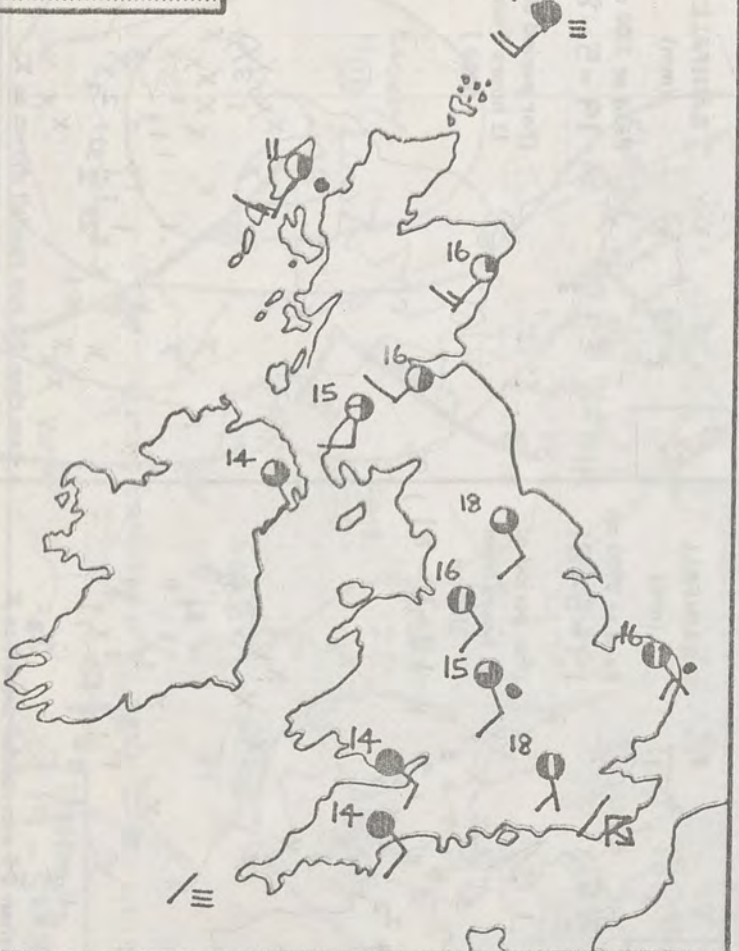
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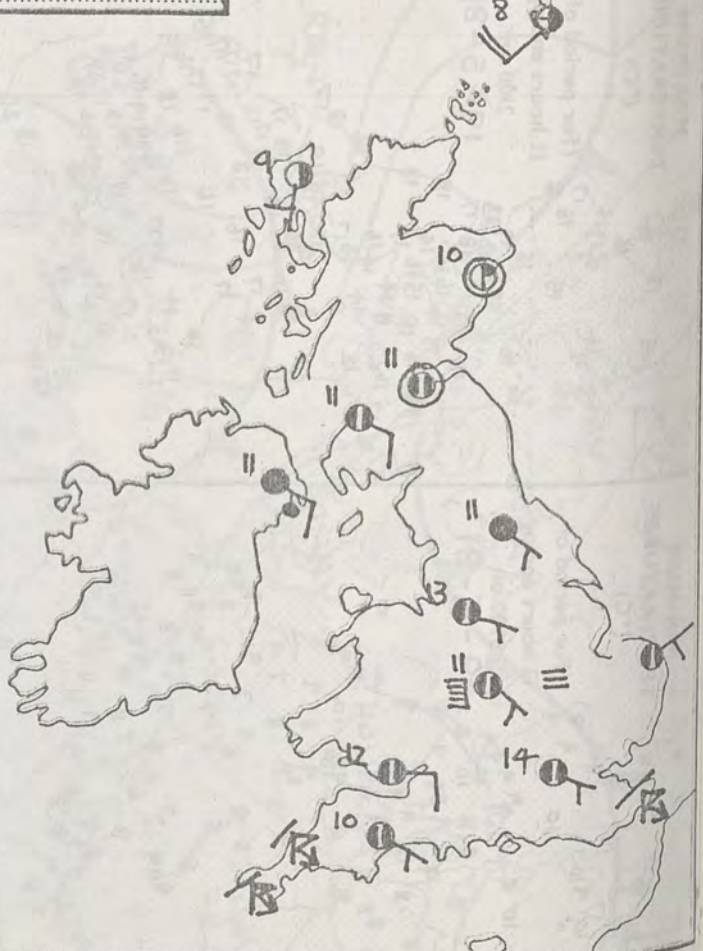
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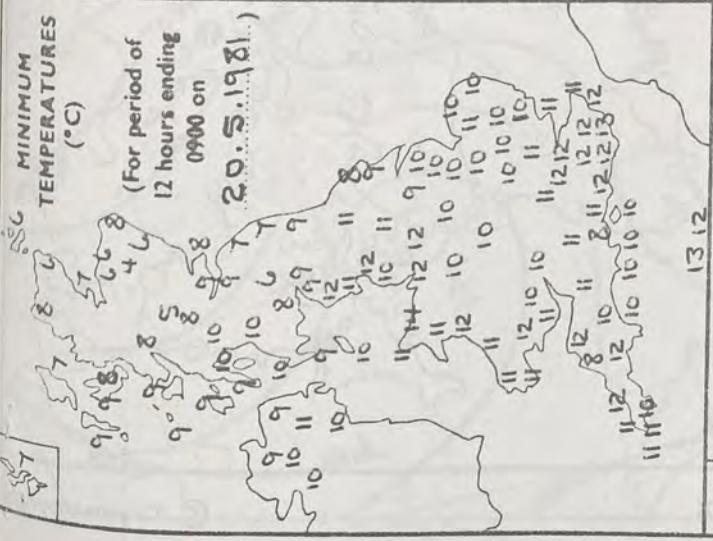
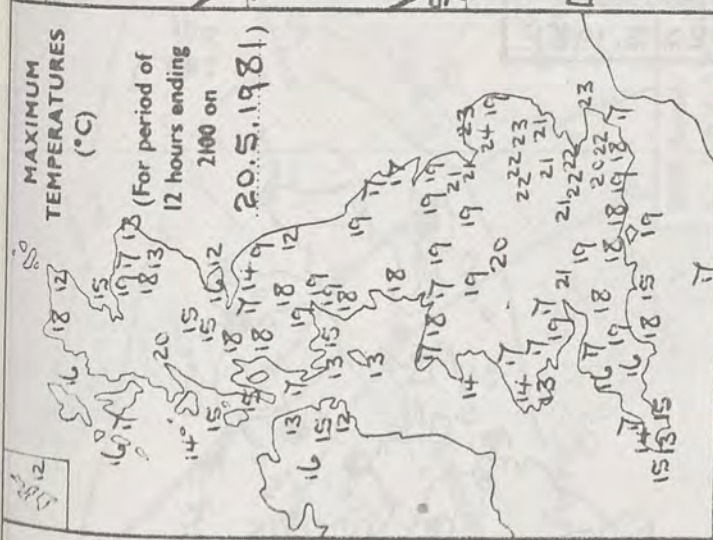
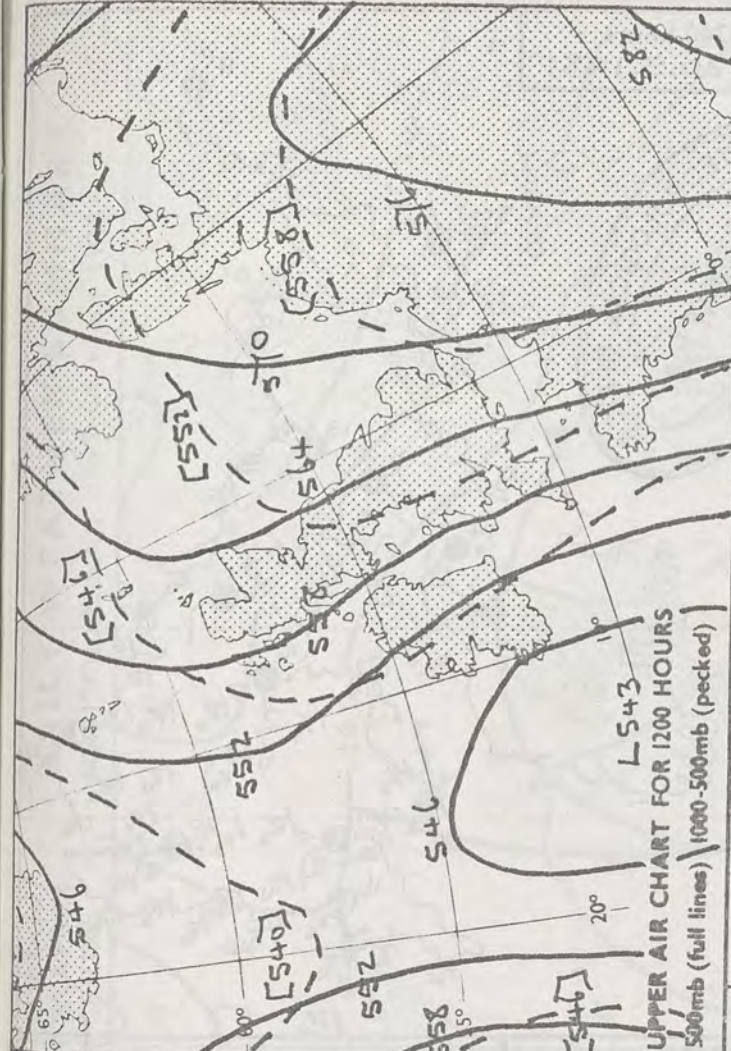
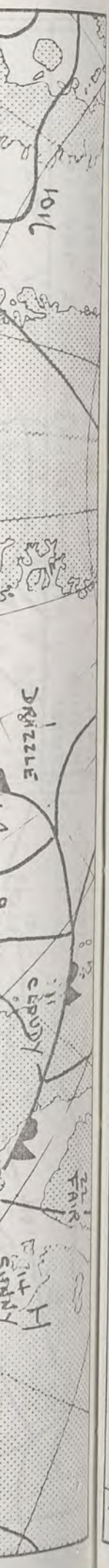
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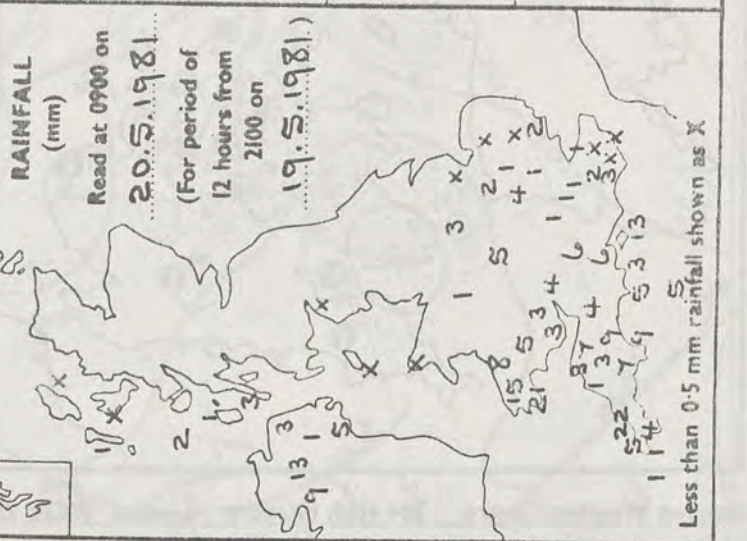
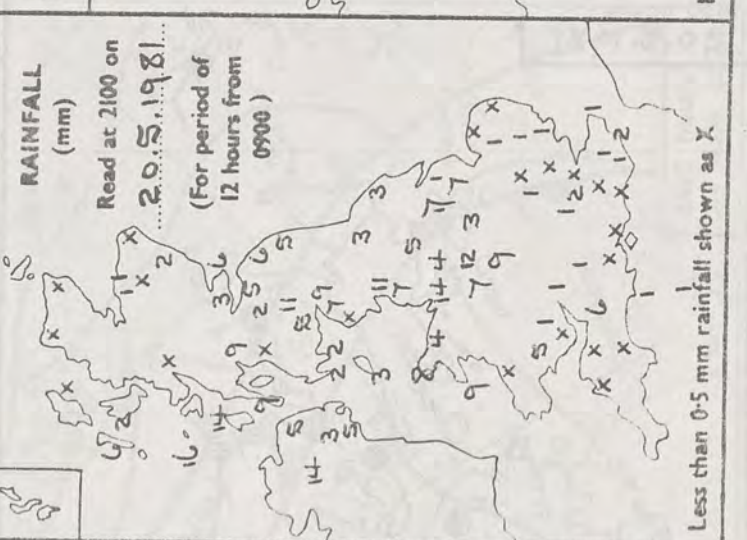
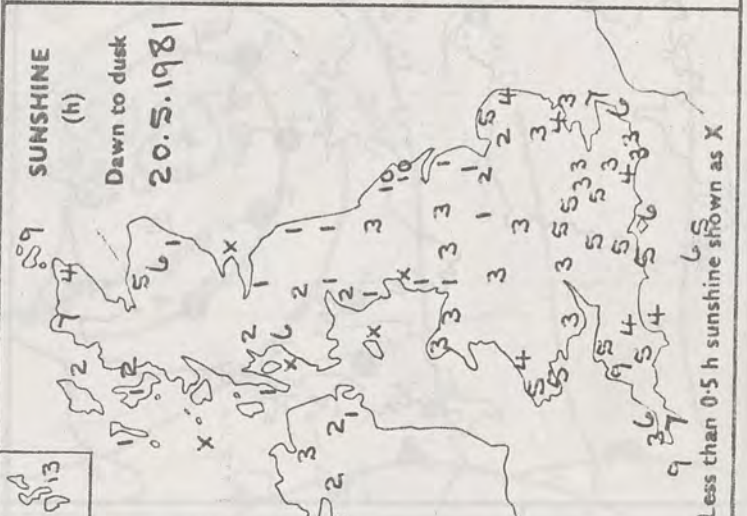
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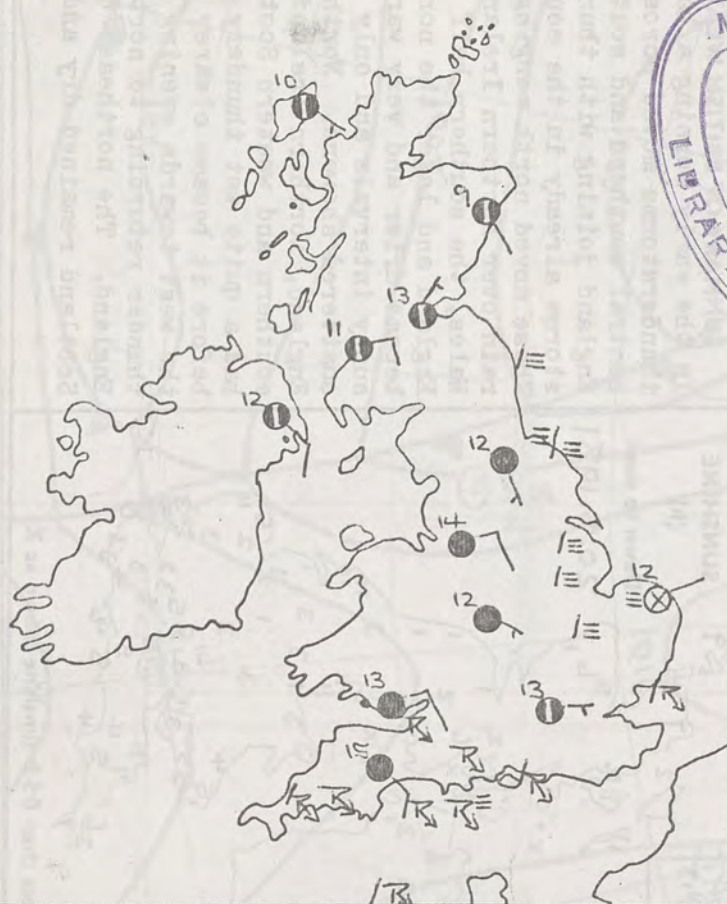




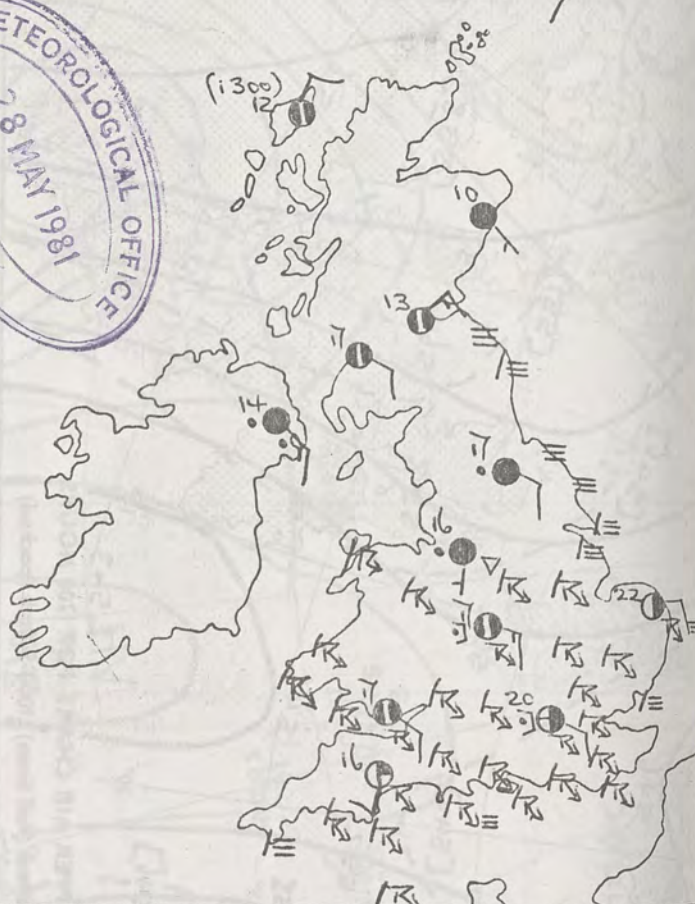
SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
In the early morning a band of thunderstorms moved across central southern and southeast England joining with thunderstorms already in the southwest. These moved north merging with rain over Northern Ireland. Wales, the southern half of England and later the northeast became drier and very warm with sunny intervals and only scattered showers. Northwest England, Northern Ireland and southern and western Scotland had a quite wet thundery period before it became clearer from the west towards evening with thunder returning to northeast England. The northeast of Scotland remained dry and sunny.



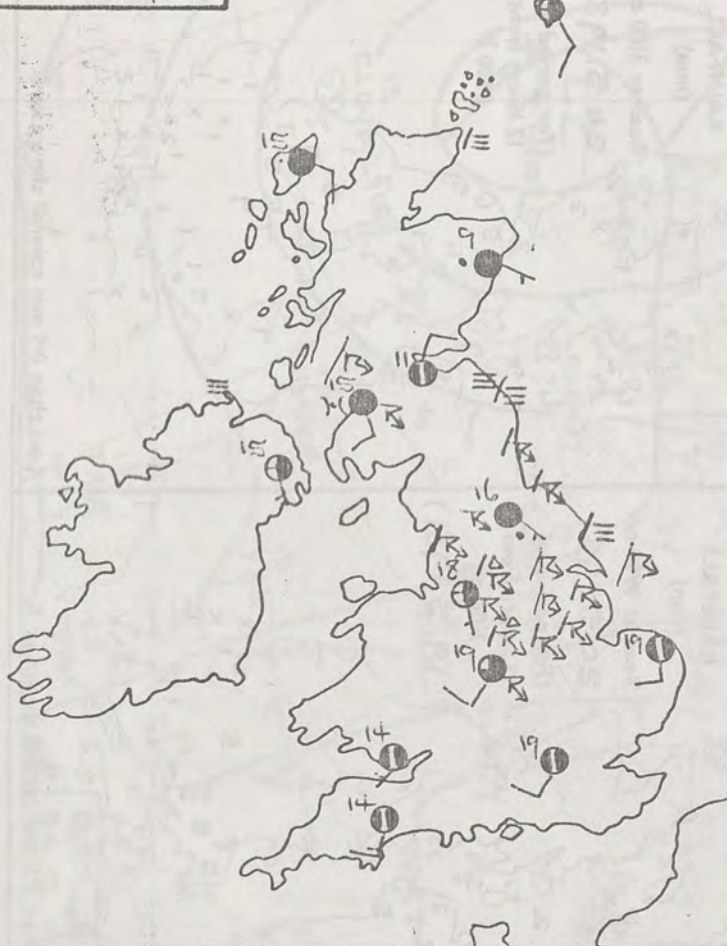
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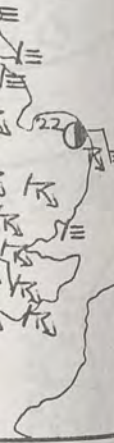
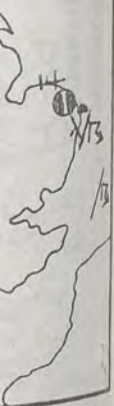


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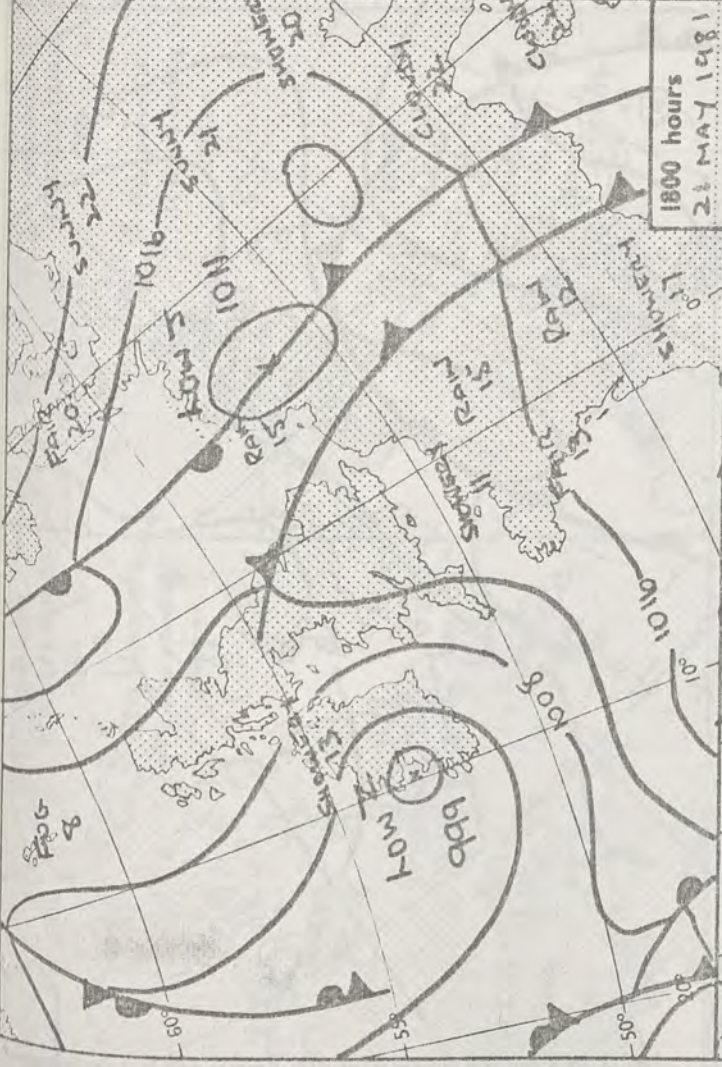
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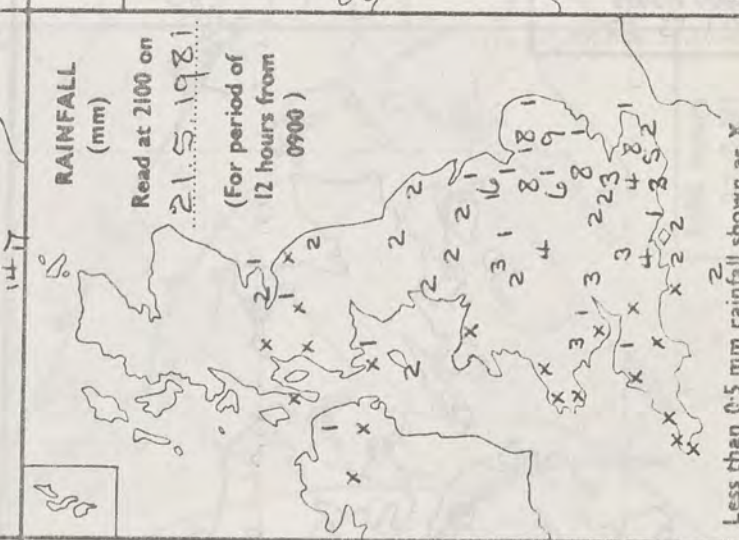
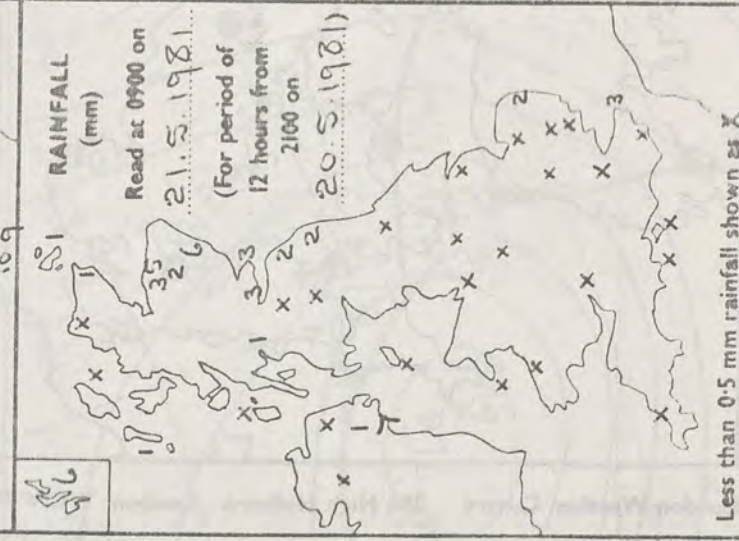
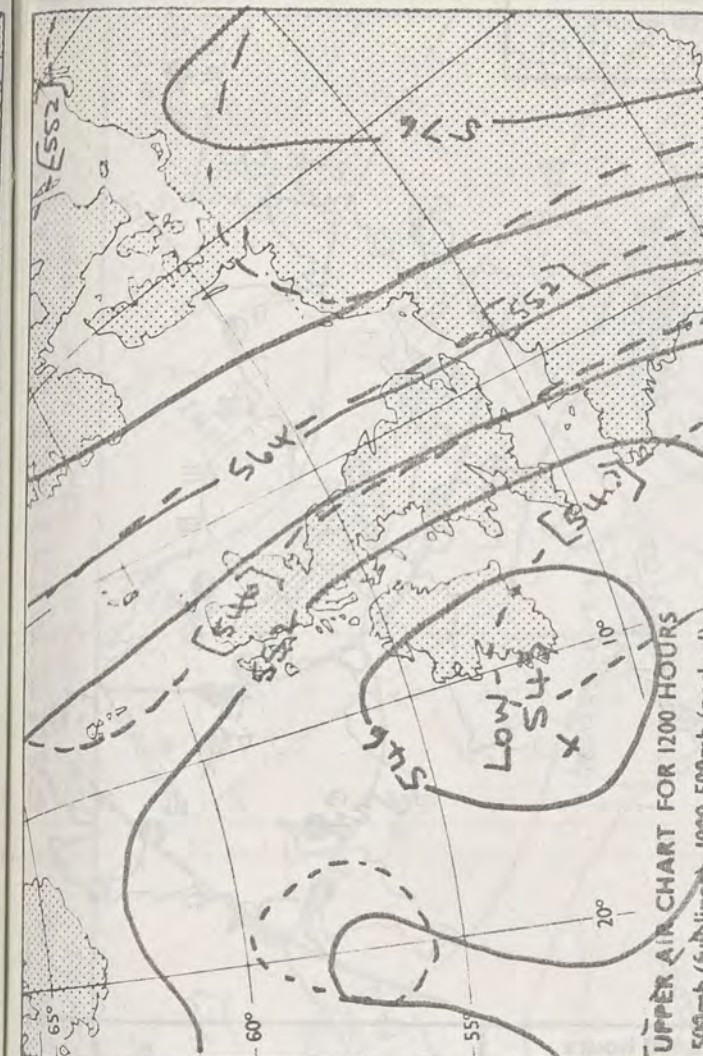
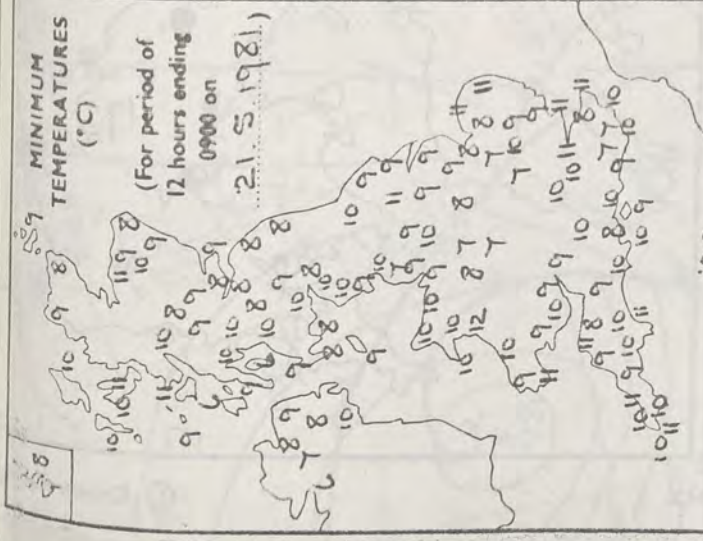




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DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
FOR THURSDAY 21ST MAY 1981





SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

In central and eastern England it was mainly cloudy with outbreaks of rain, especially during the late morning and afternoon, clearer skies reached most parts during the evening. In northeast England much of the day was dry with sunny intervals but there was rain during late afternoon and evening. Over the rest of England, Wales and Northern Ireland there were sunny intervals and scattered showers. In Scotland it remained dry in most places with a good deal of sunshine especially in eastern parts but during the evening there were outbreaks of rain and isolated thunderstorms.

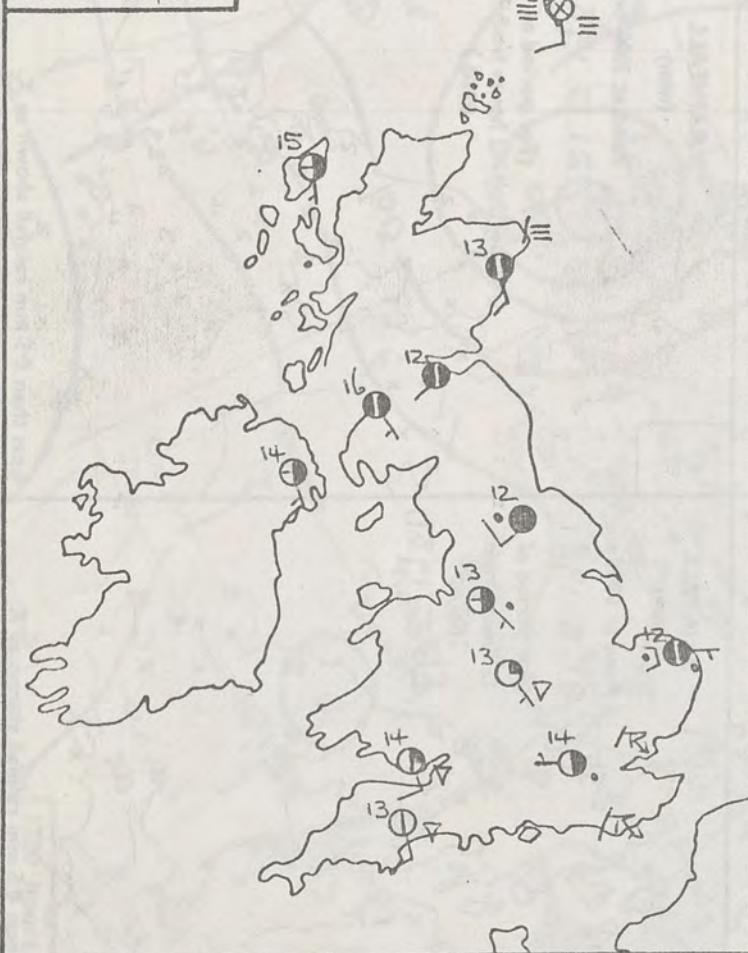
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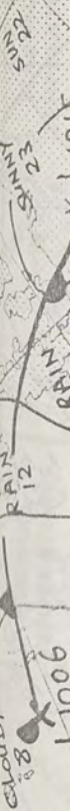
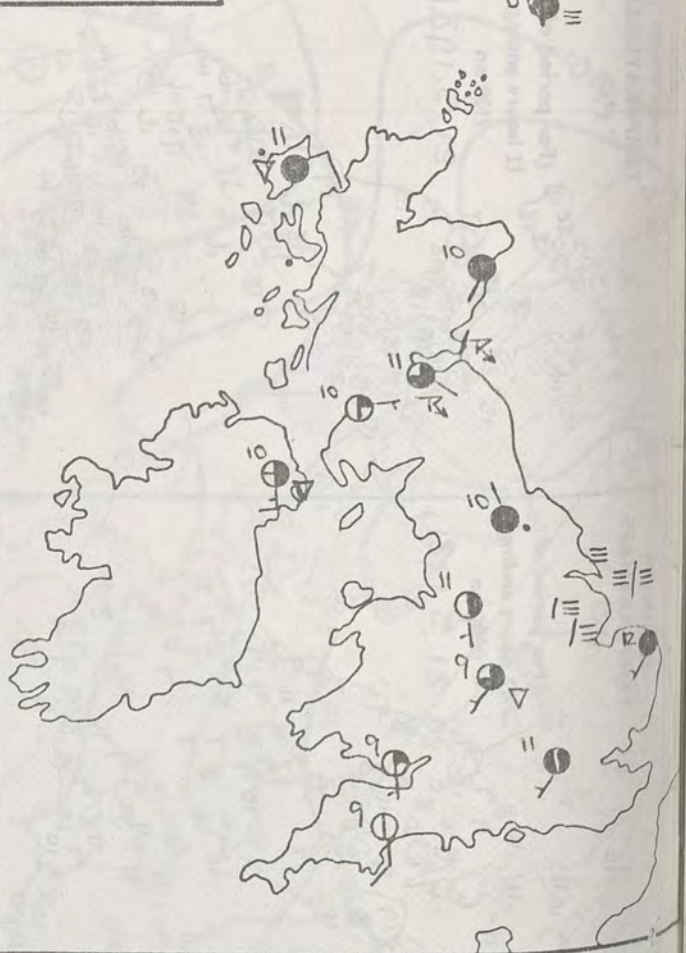
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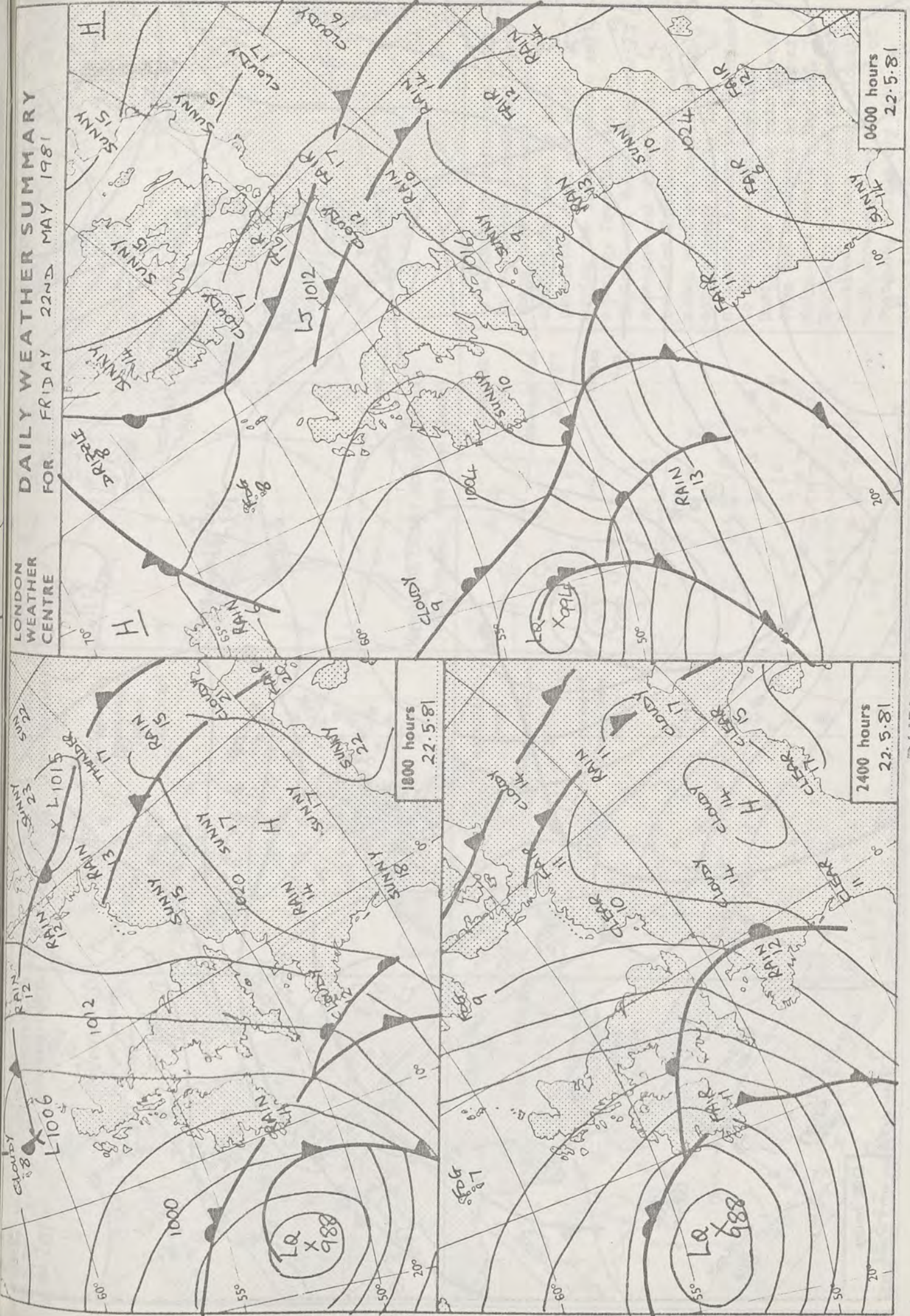


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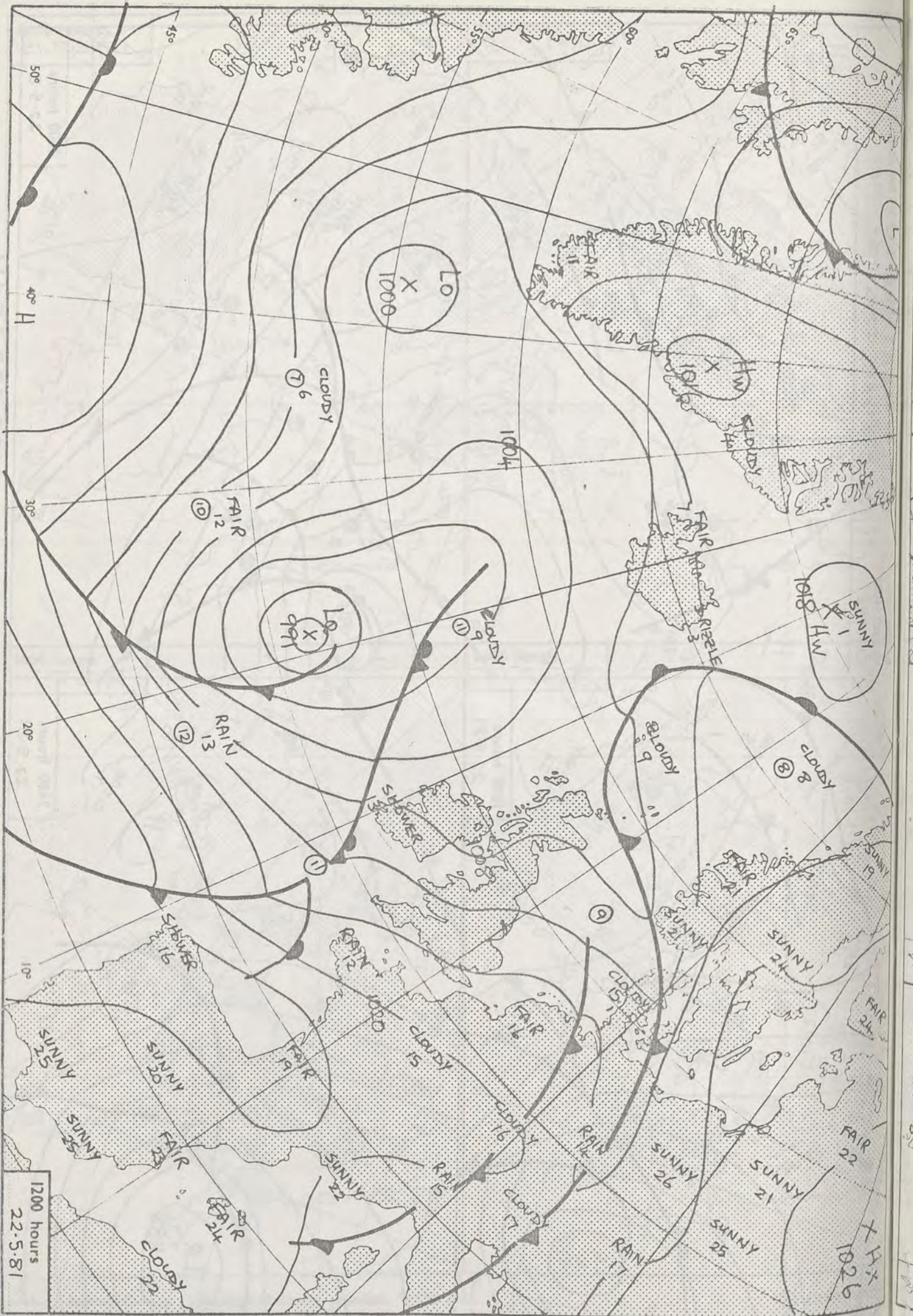


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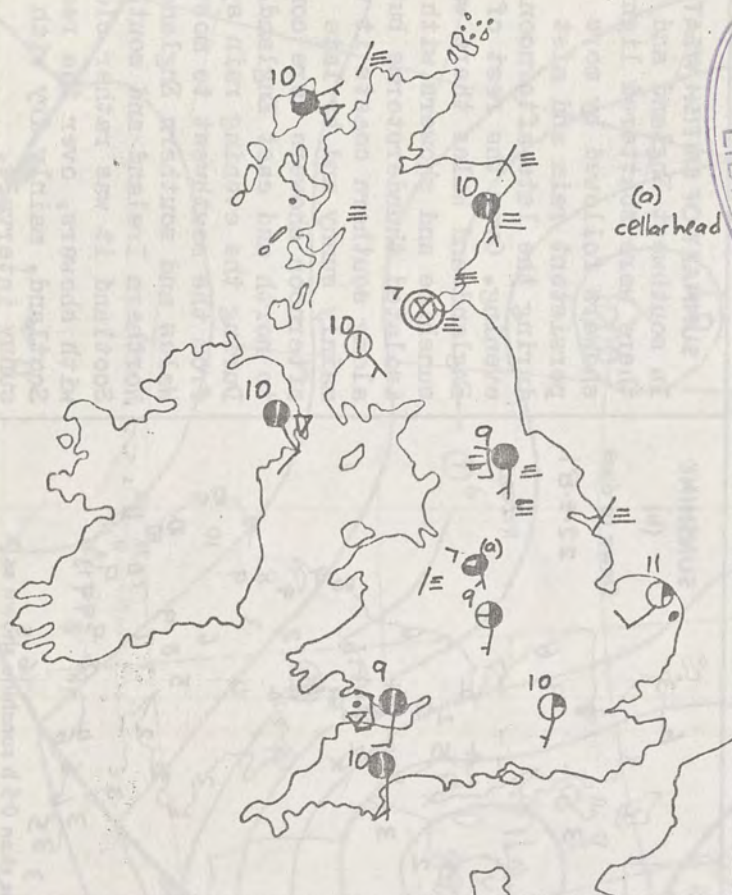


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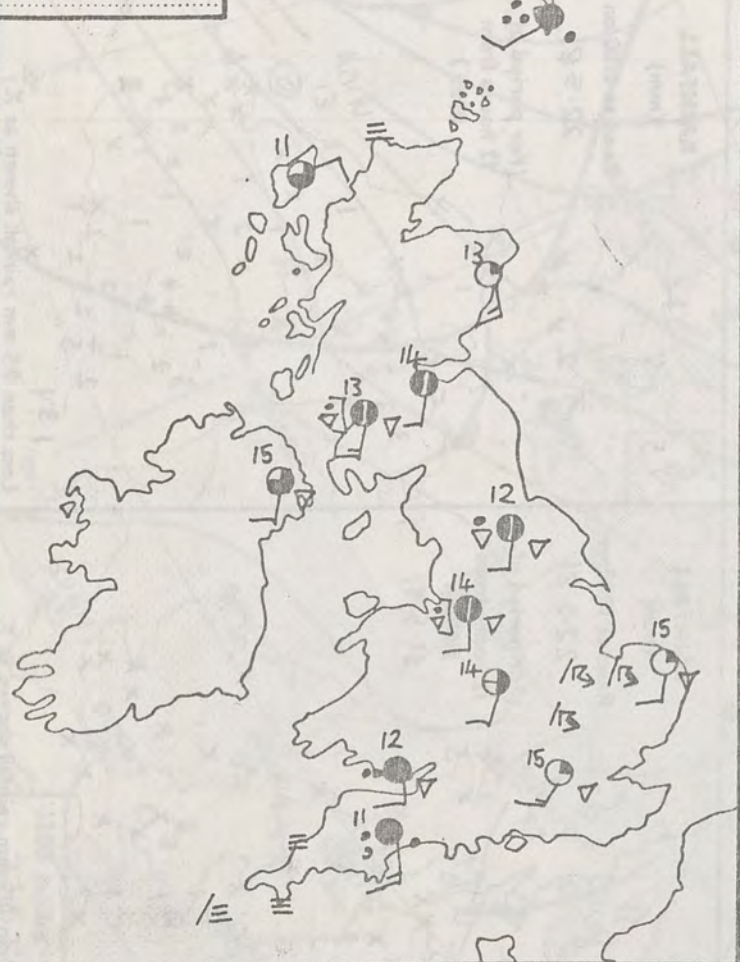
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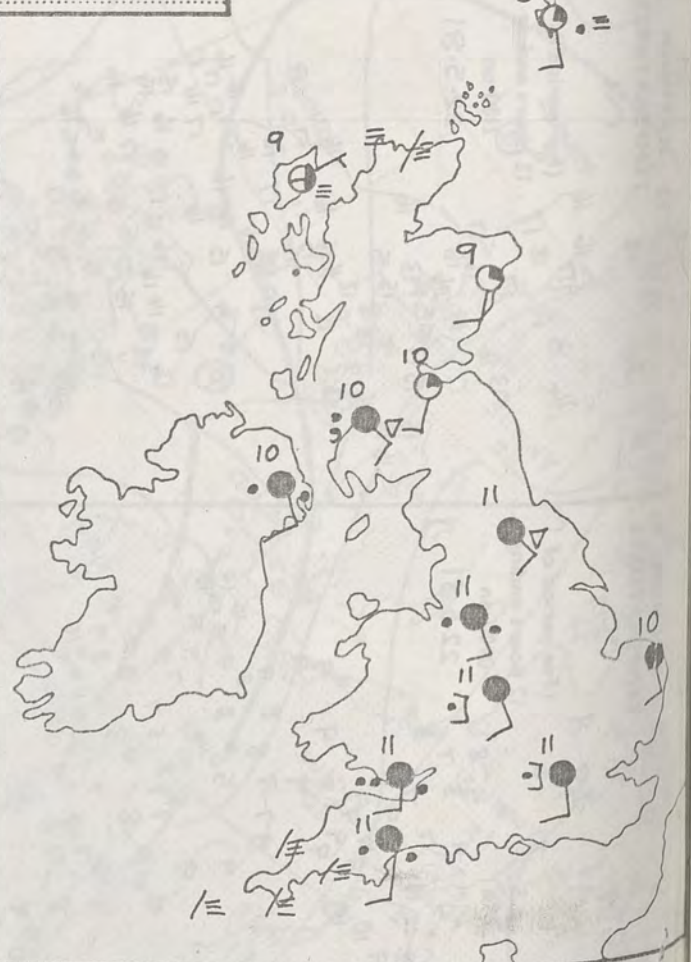
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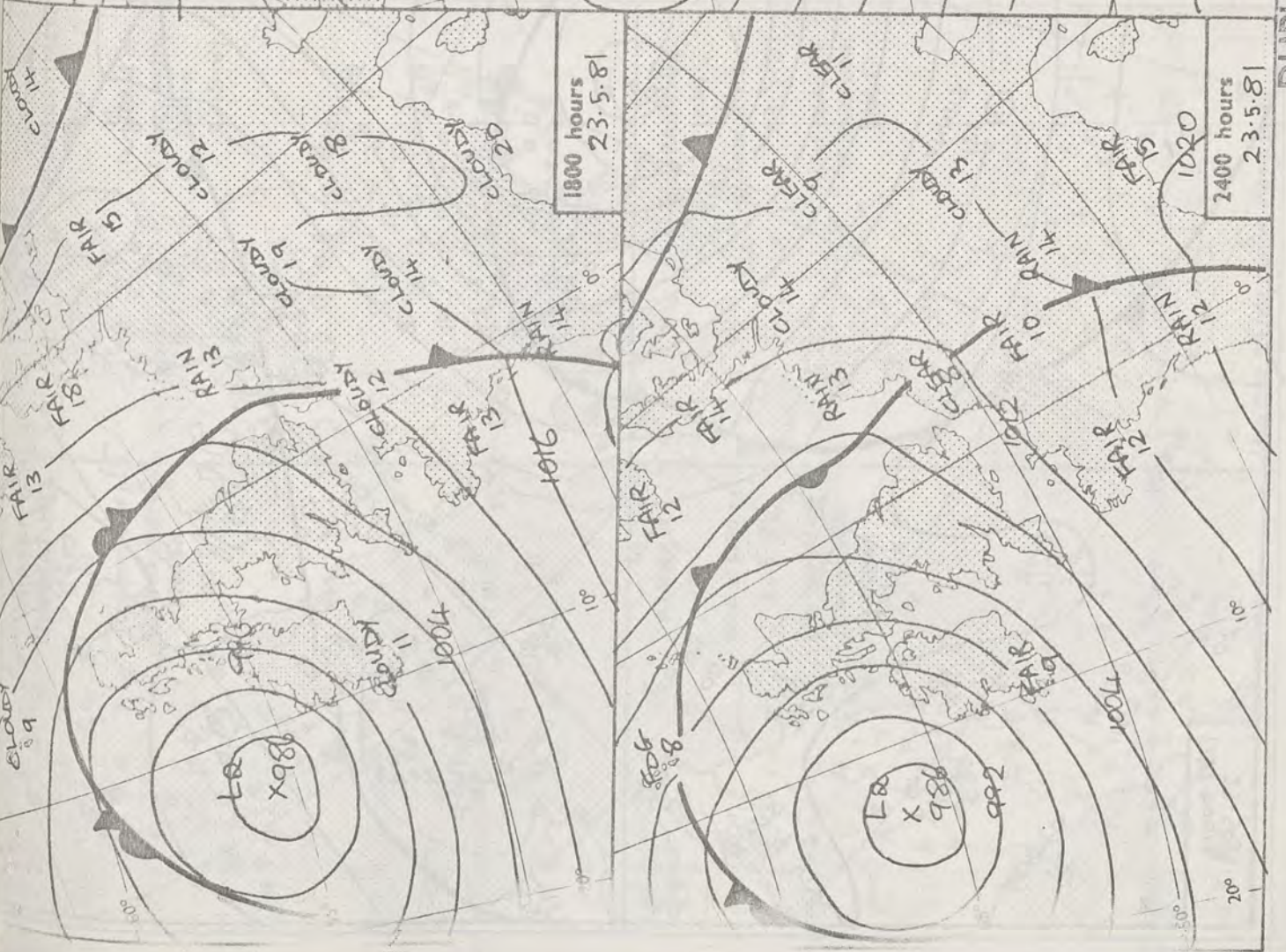
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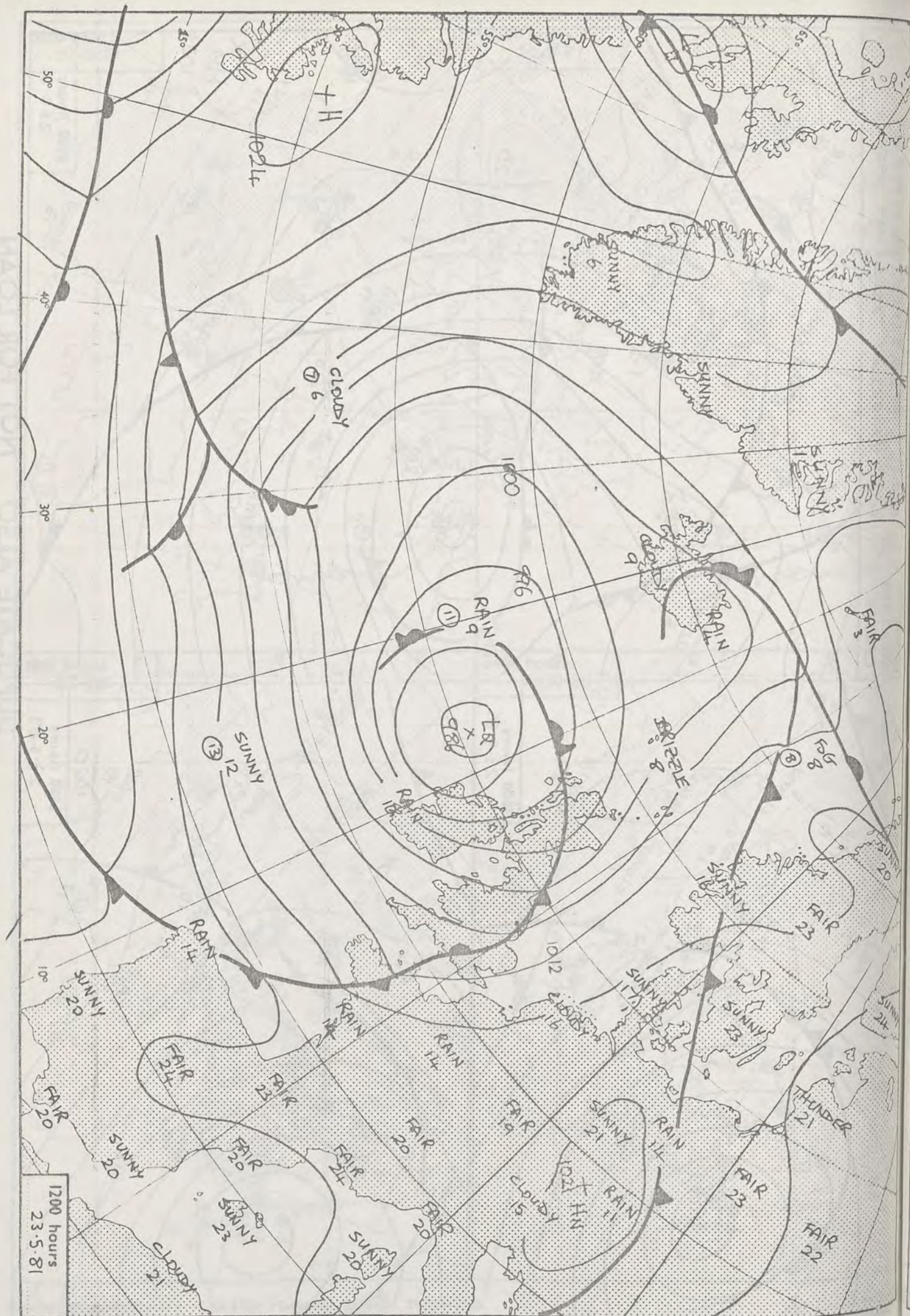
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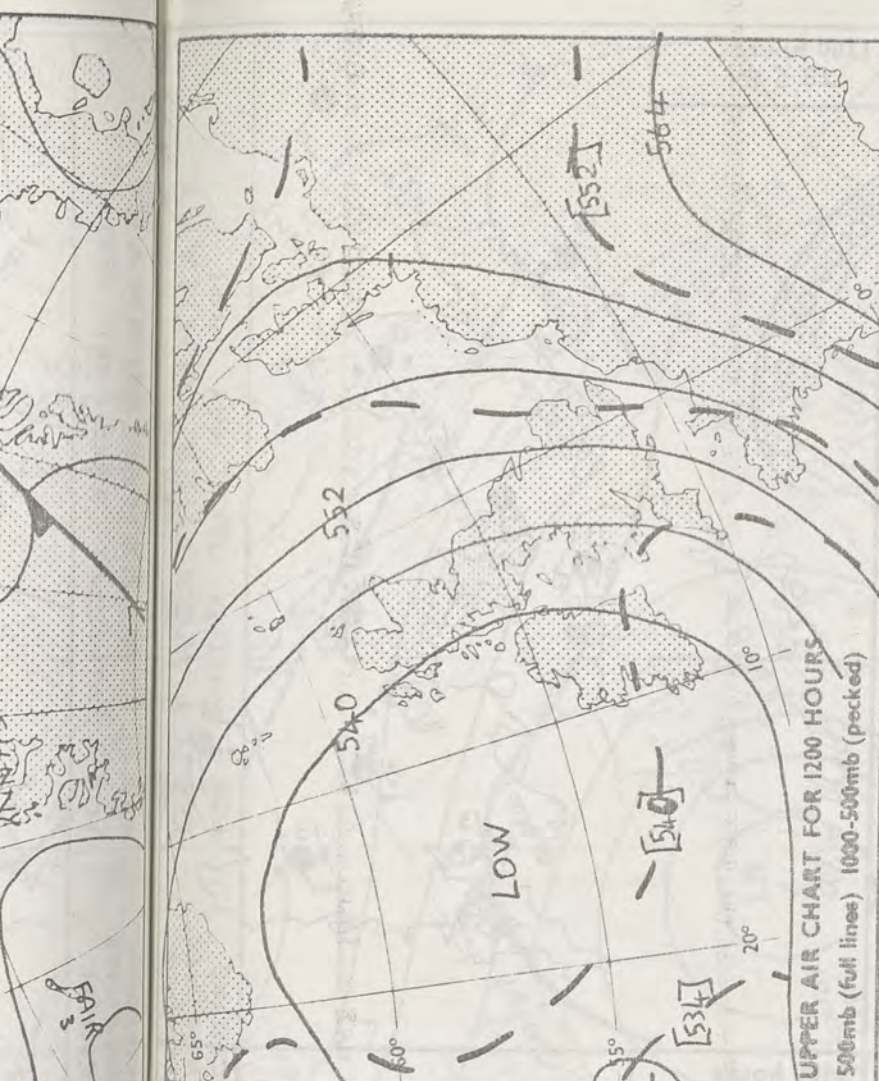
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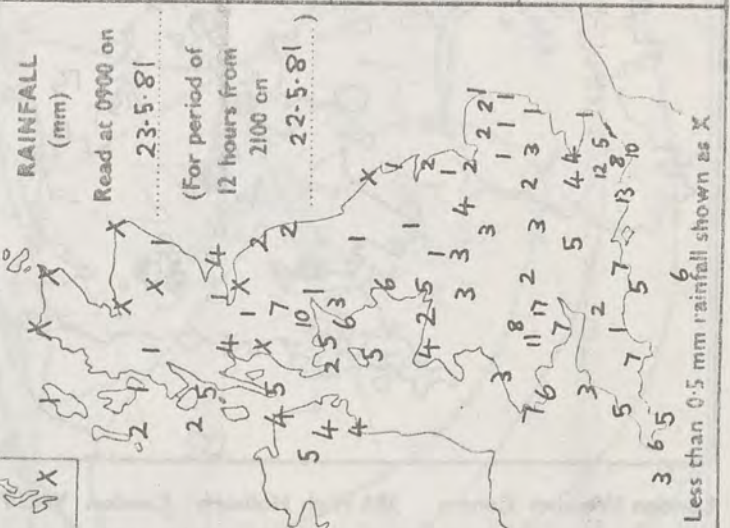
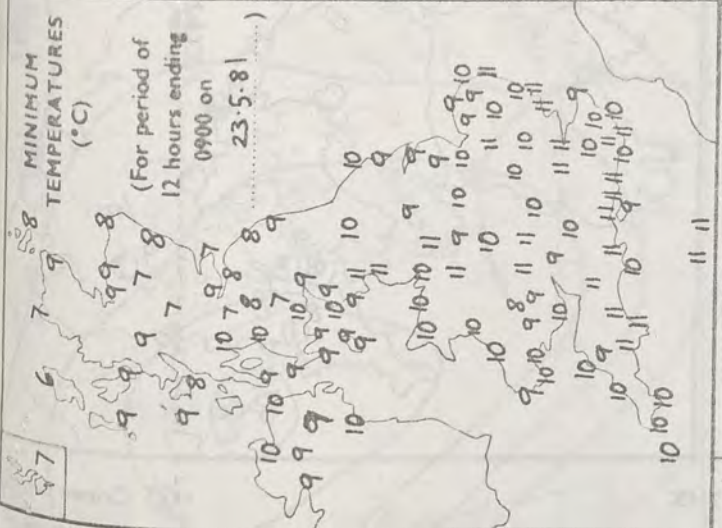


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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

Rain spread to all parts except the north of Scotland early in the day. By dawn brighter showery weather had already reached N. Ireland West Wales and southwest England, and this moved steadily east and north reaching southern Scotland the rest of Wales and much of England except some eastern counties by the early afternoon. N. Scotland had a fairly wet morning but the rain turned more showery here in the afternoon. By the evening the whole of the country was in brighter showery weather with local thunder in eastern England. The southwest of England had the most sunshine and the fewest showers. Most places were quite cool.



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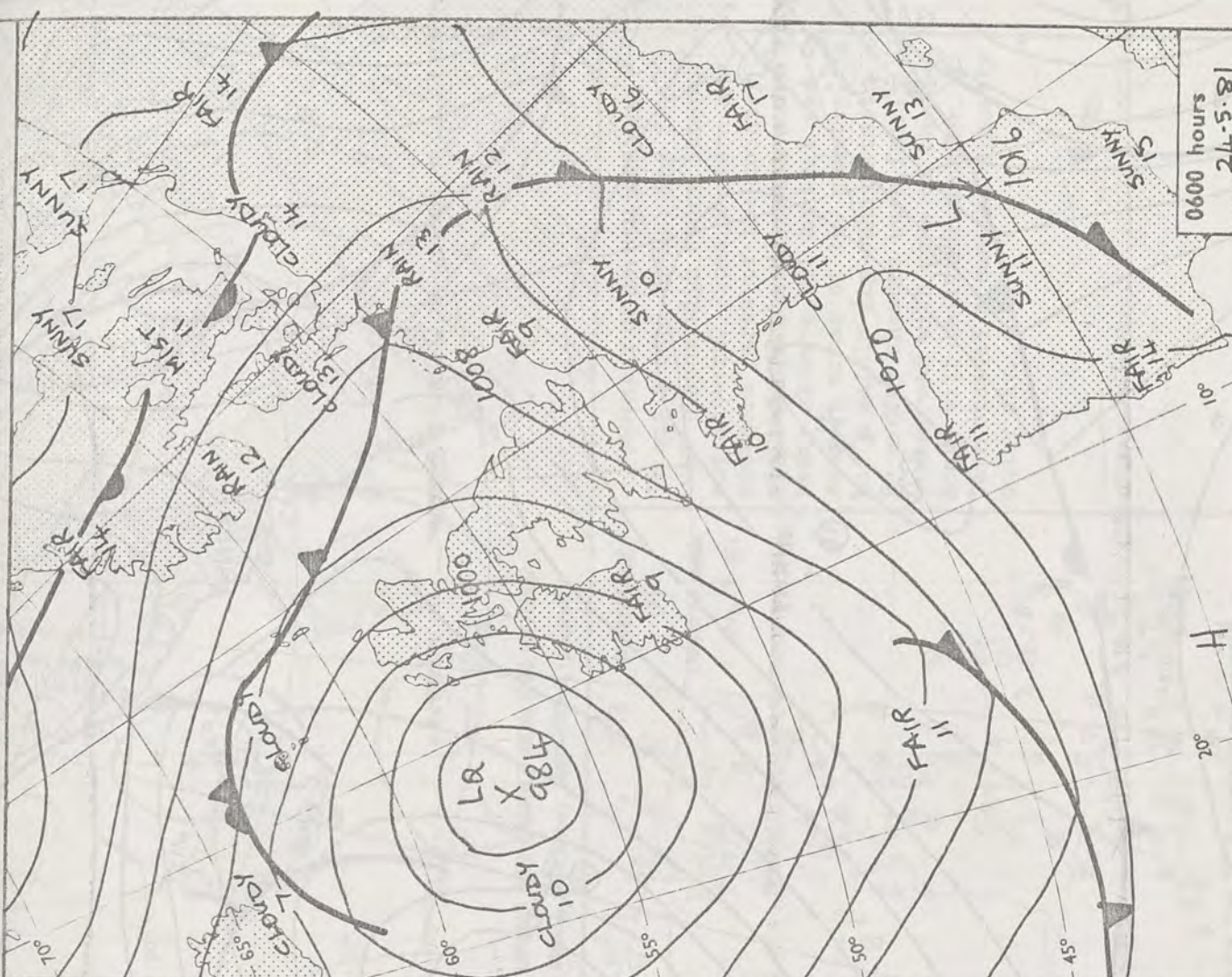
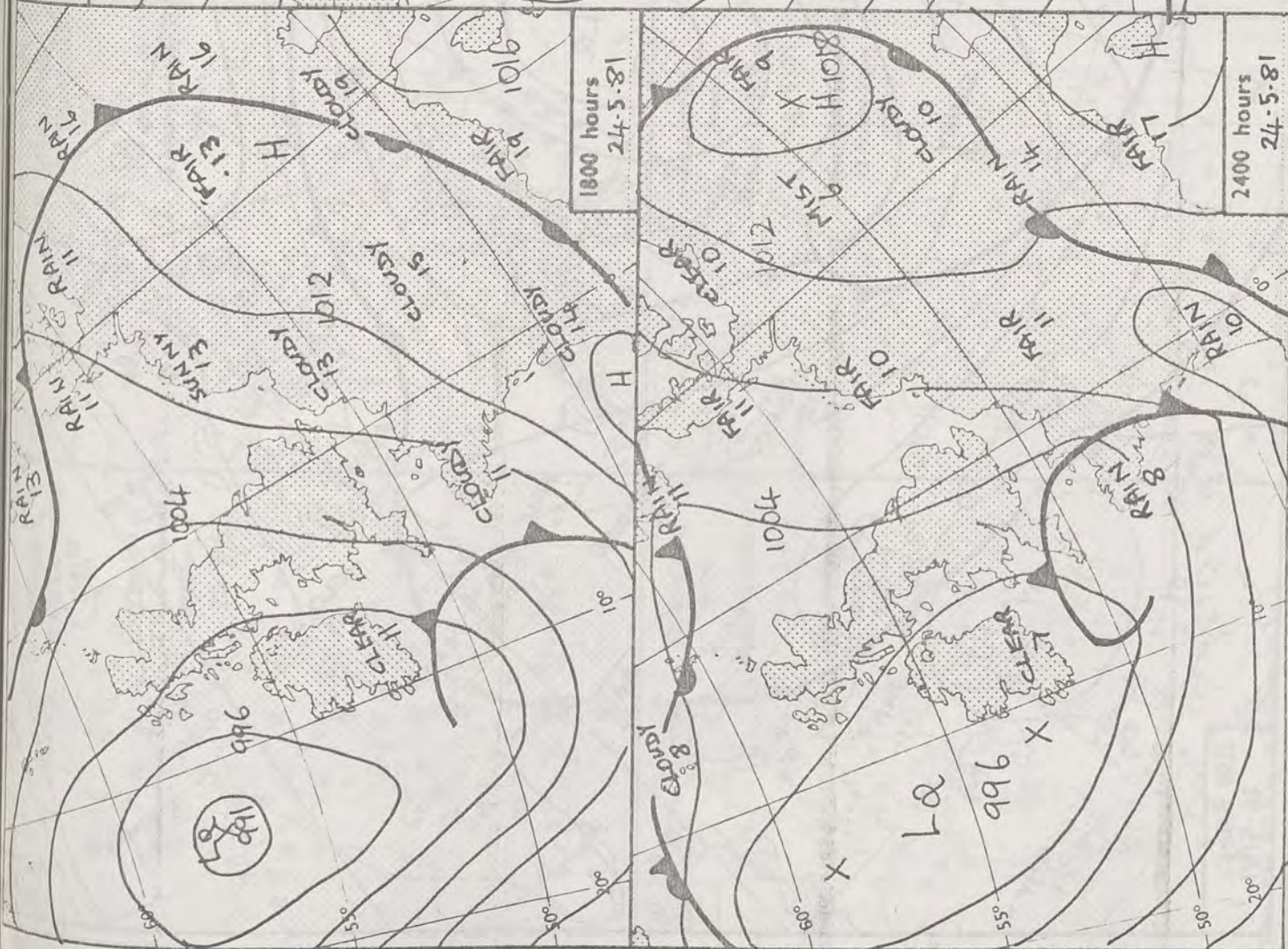
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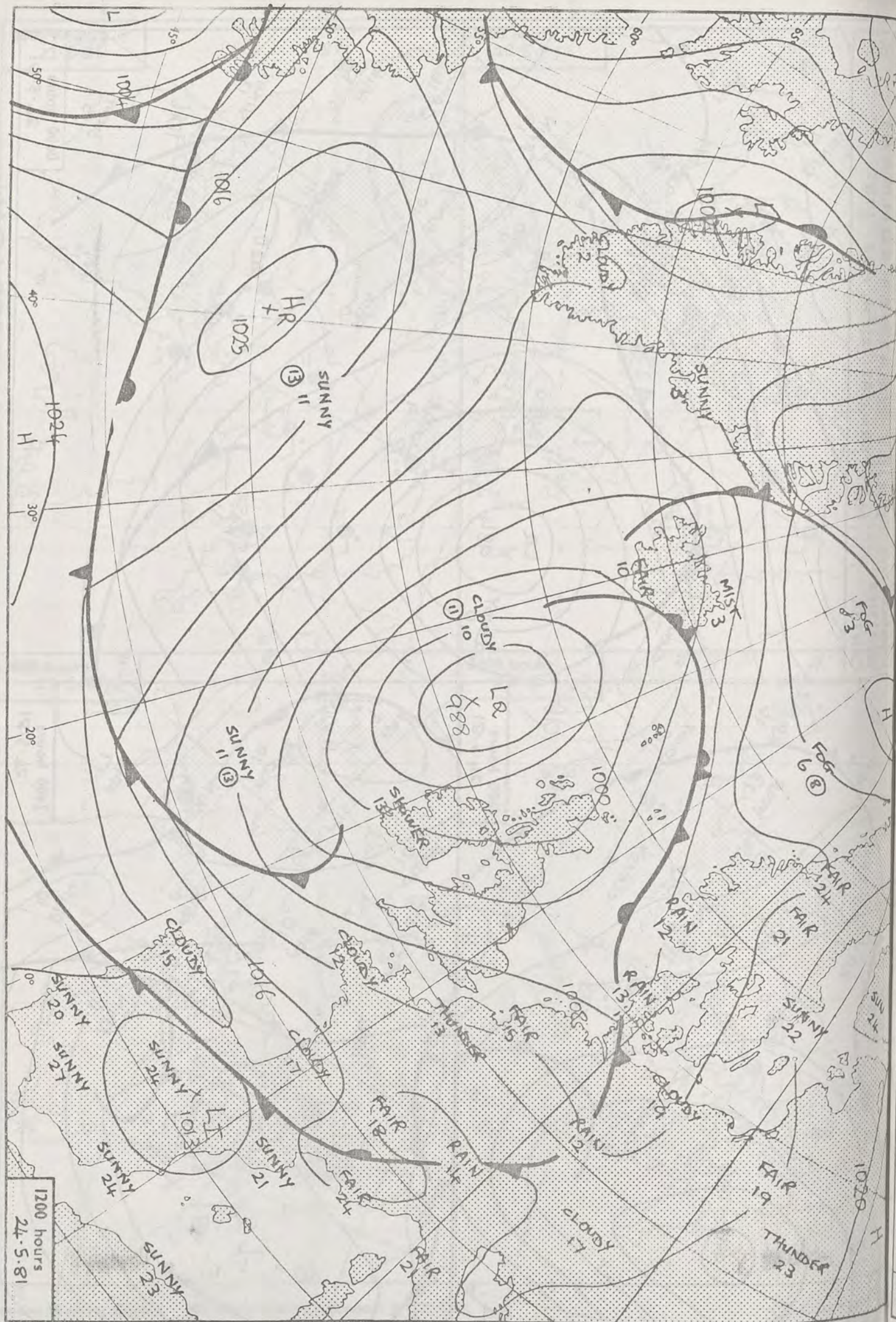
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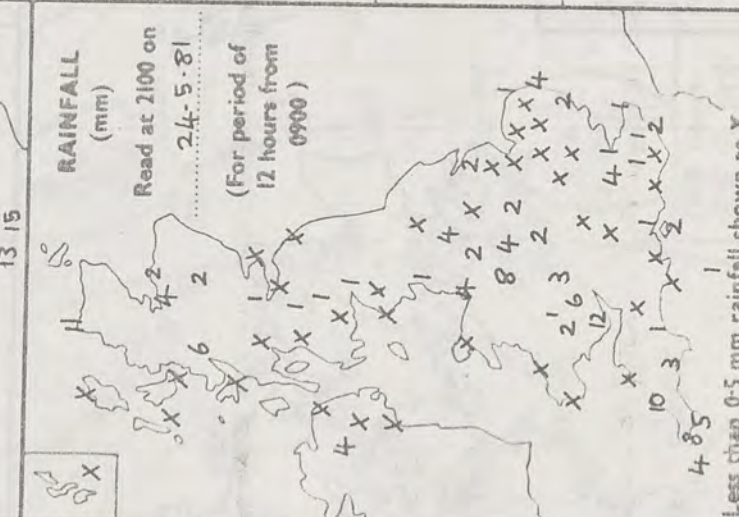
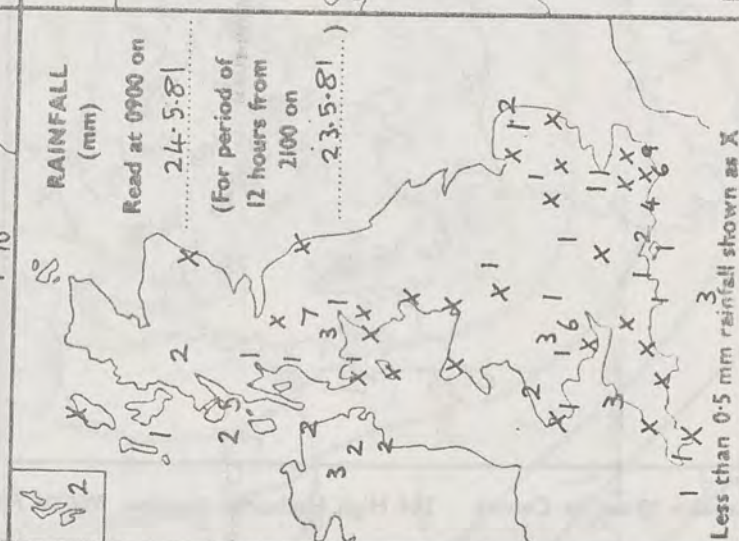
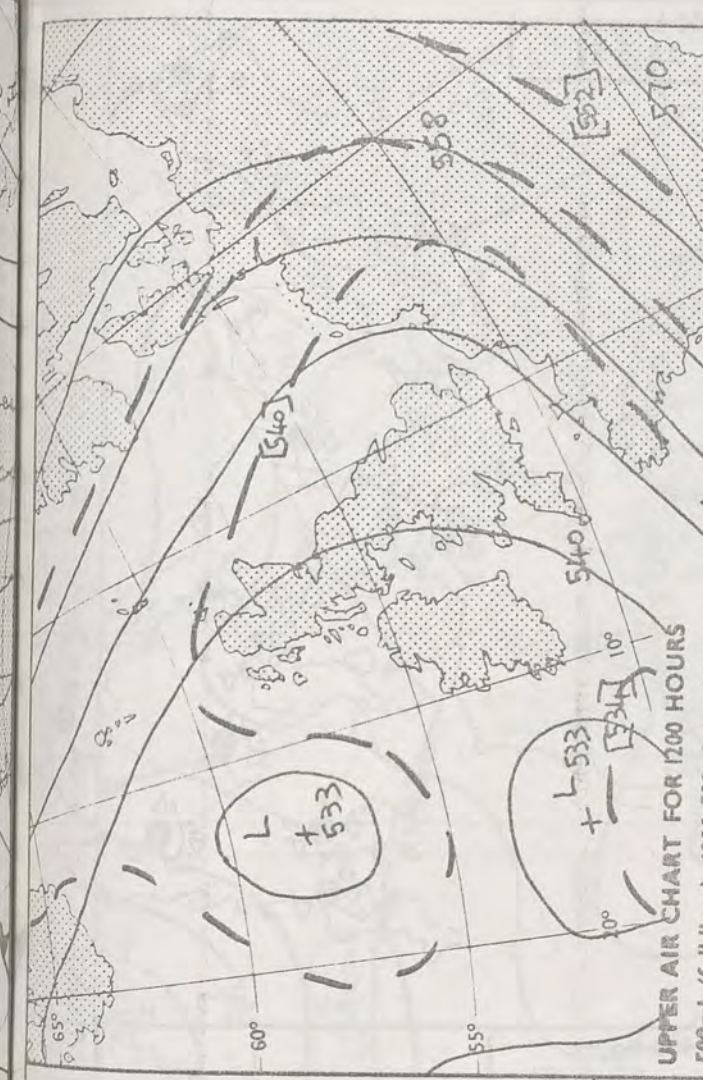
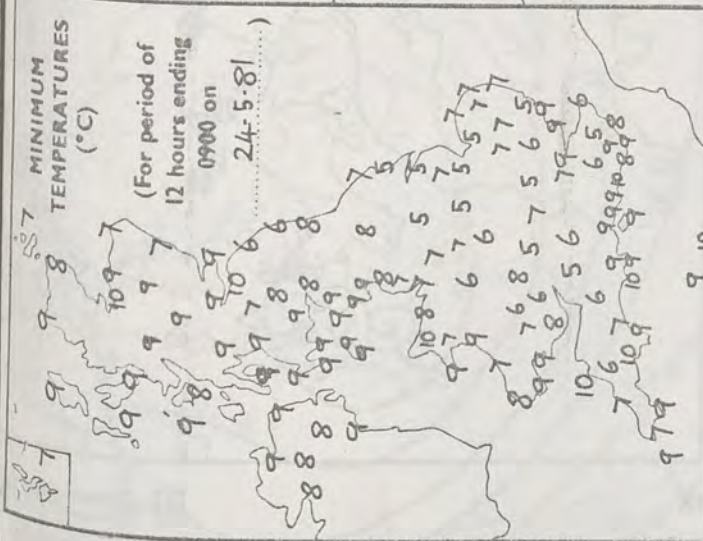
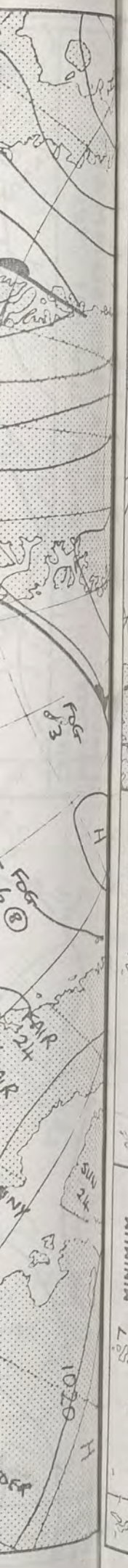
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24



SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

It was a cool breezy day for most places with sunny intervals and showers. Some western and southern parts of the country started off the day with a few heavy showers but central and eastern areas of the country had a mainly dry sunny start. By midday showers were fairly widespread with some of them heavy with hail and thunder. Some coastal areas had a mostly sunny day.

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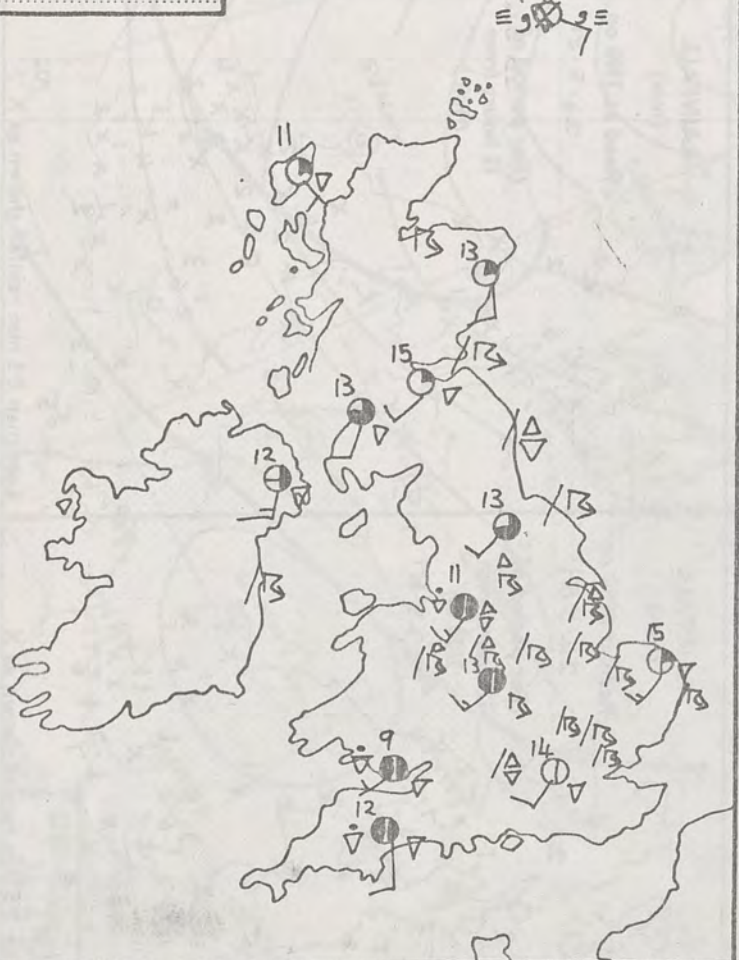
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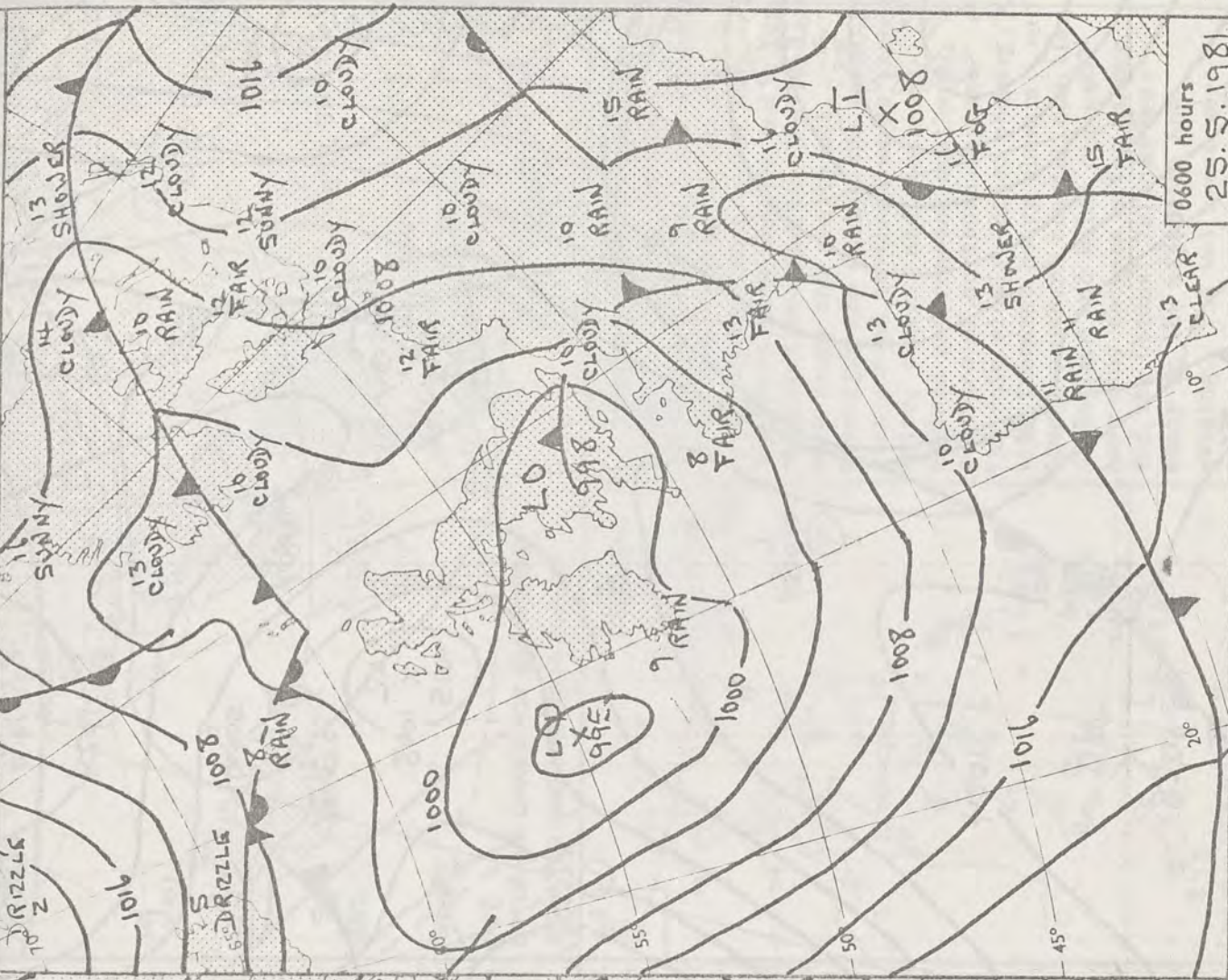
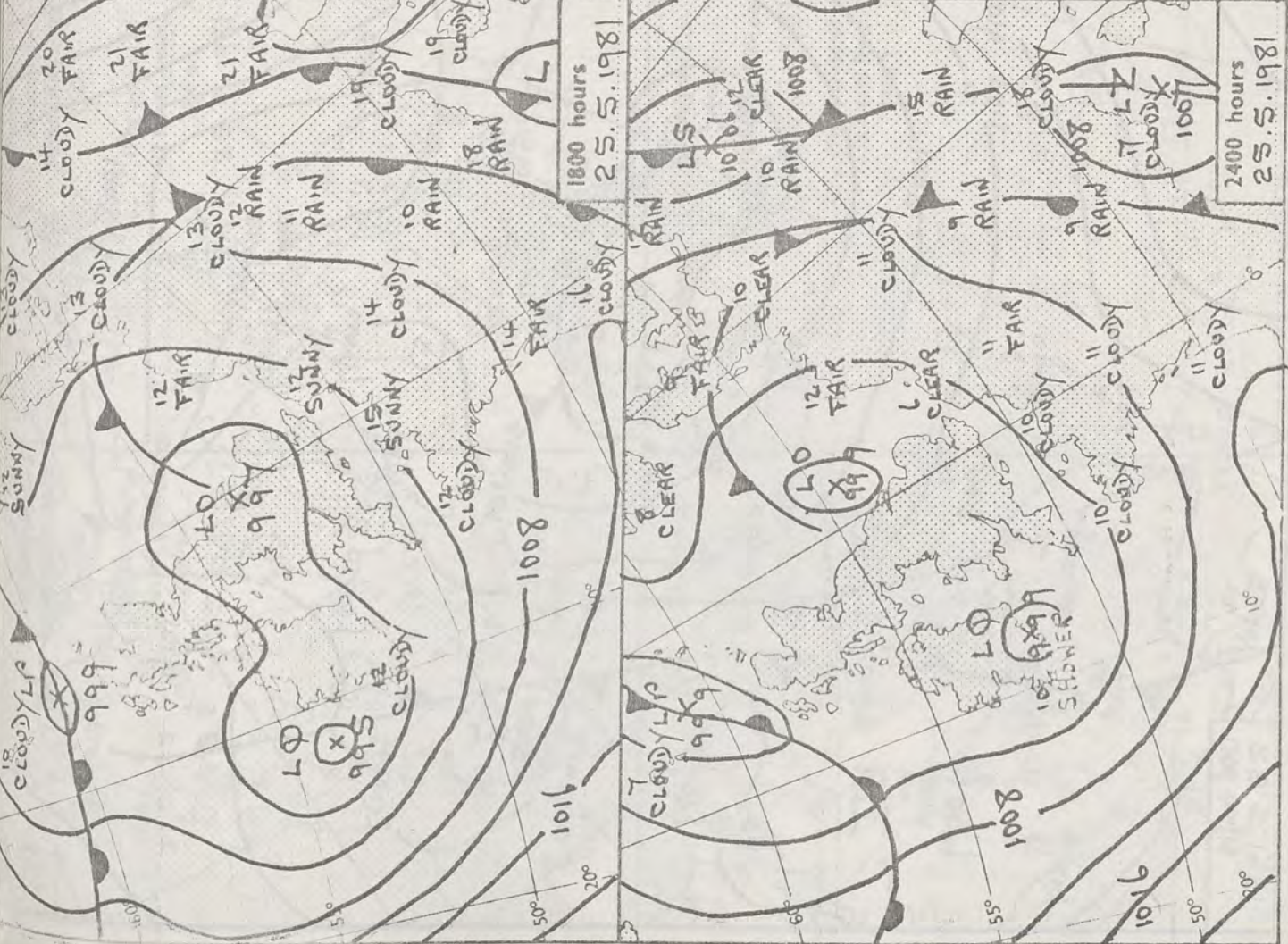


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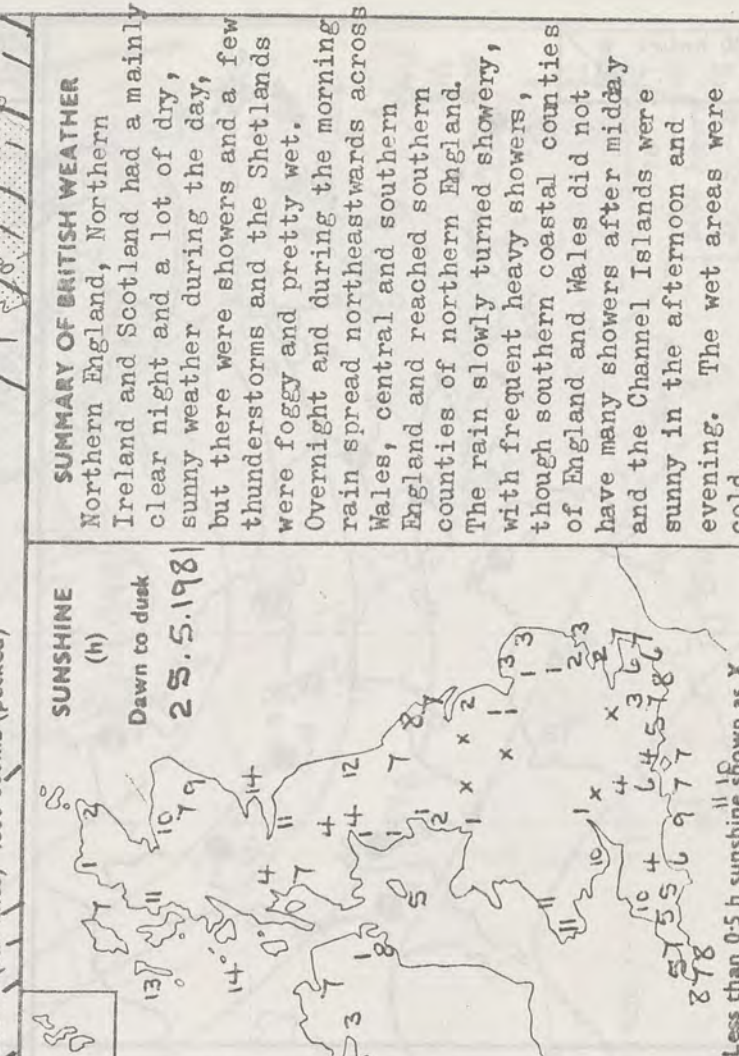
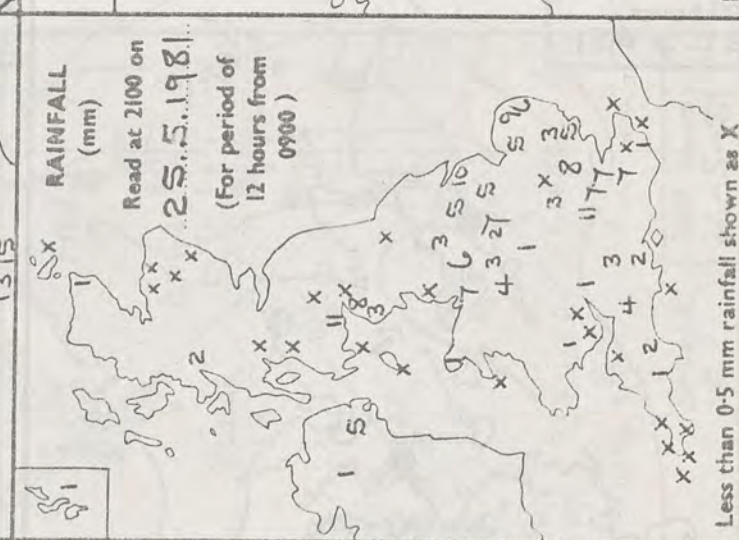
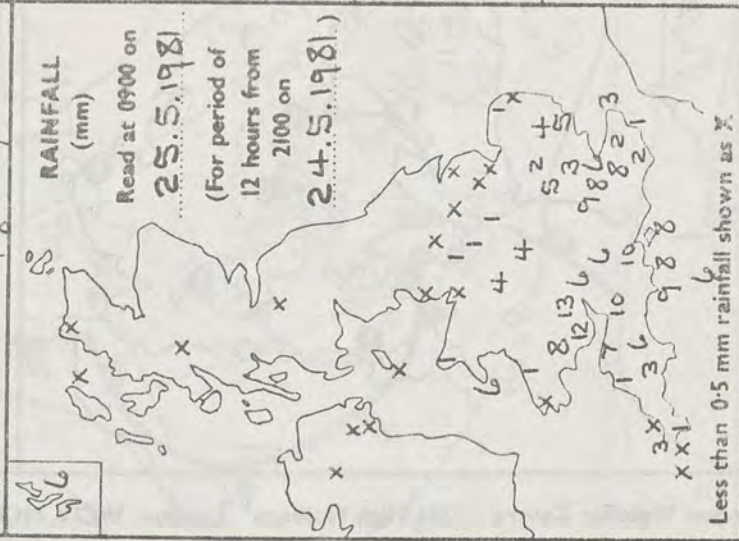
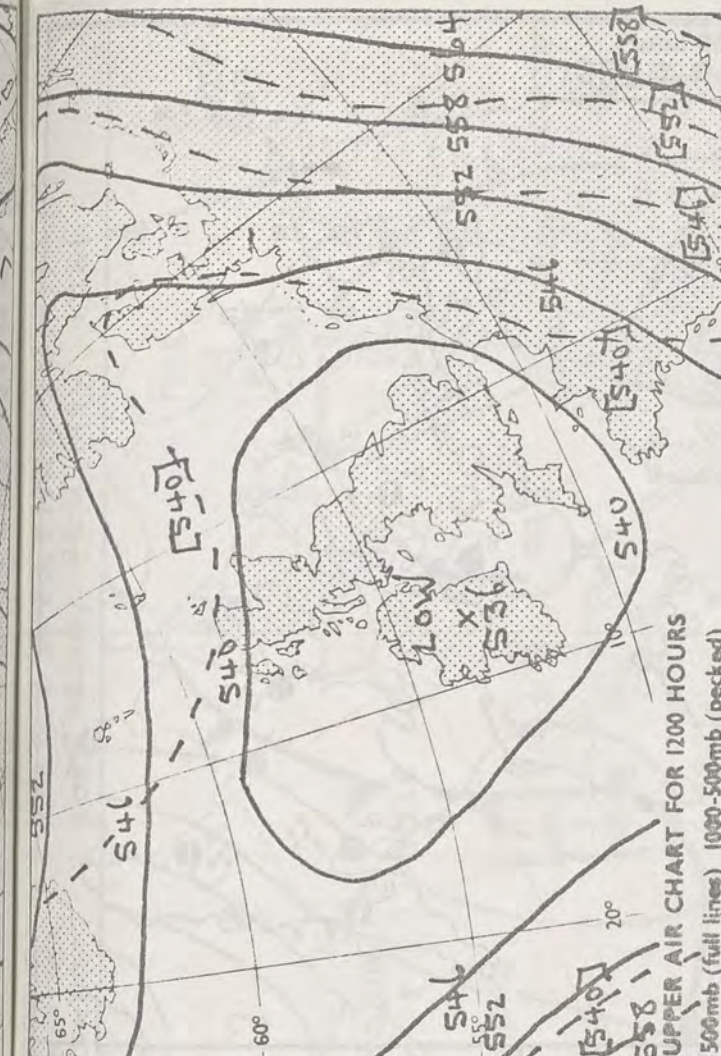
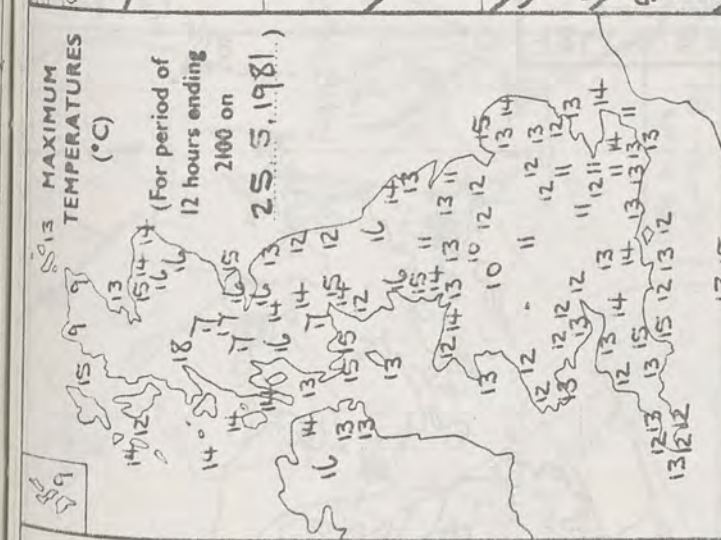
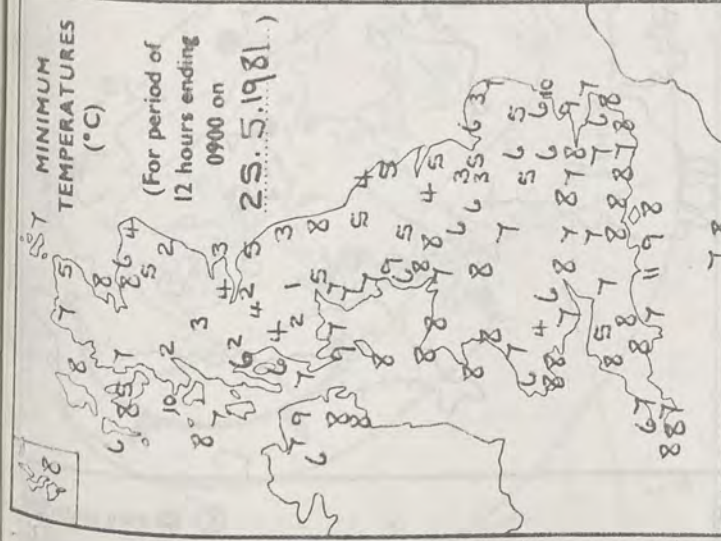


DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
FOR MONDAY 25th MAY 1981

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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
Northern England, Northern Ireland and Scotland had a mainly clear night and a lot of dry, sunny weather during the day, but there were showers and a few thunderstorms and the Shetlands were foggy and pretty wet. Overnight and during the morning rain spread northeastwards across Wales, central and southern England and reached southern counties of northern England. The rain slowly turned showery, with frequent heavy showers, though southern coastal counties of England and Wales did not have many showers after midday and the Channel Islands were sunny in the afternoon and evening. The wet areas were cold.

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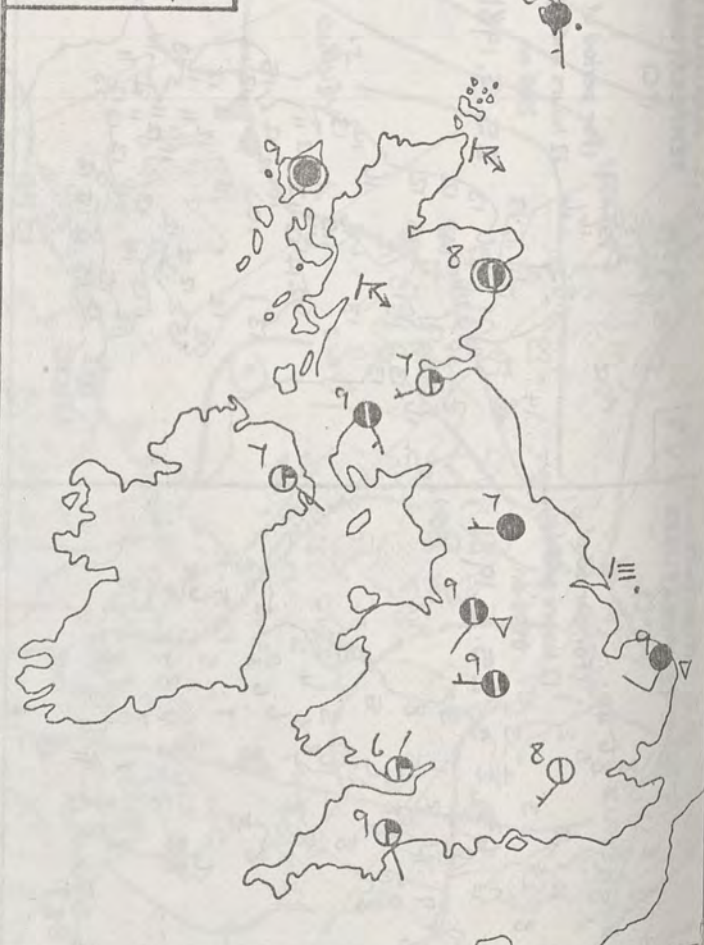
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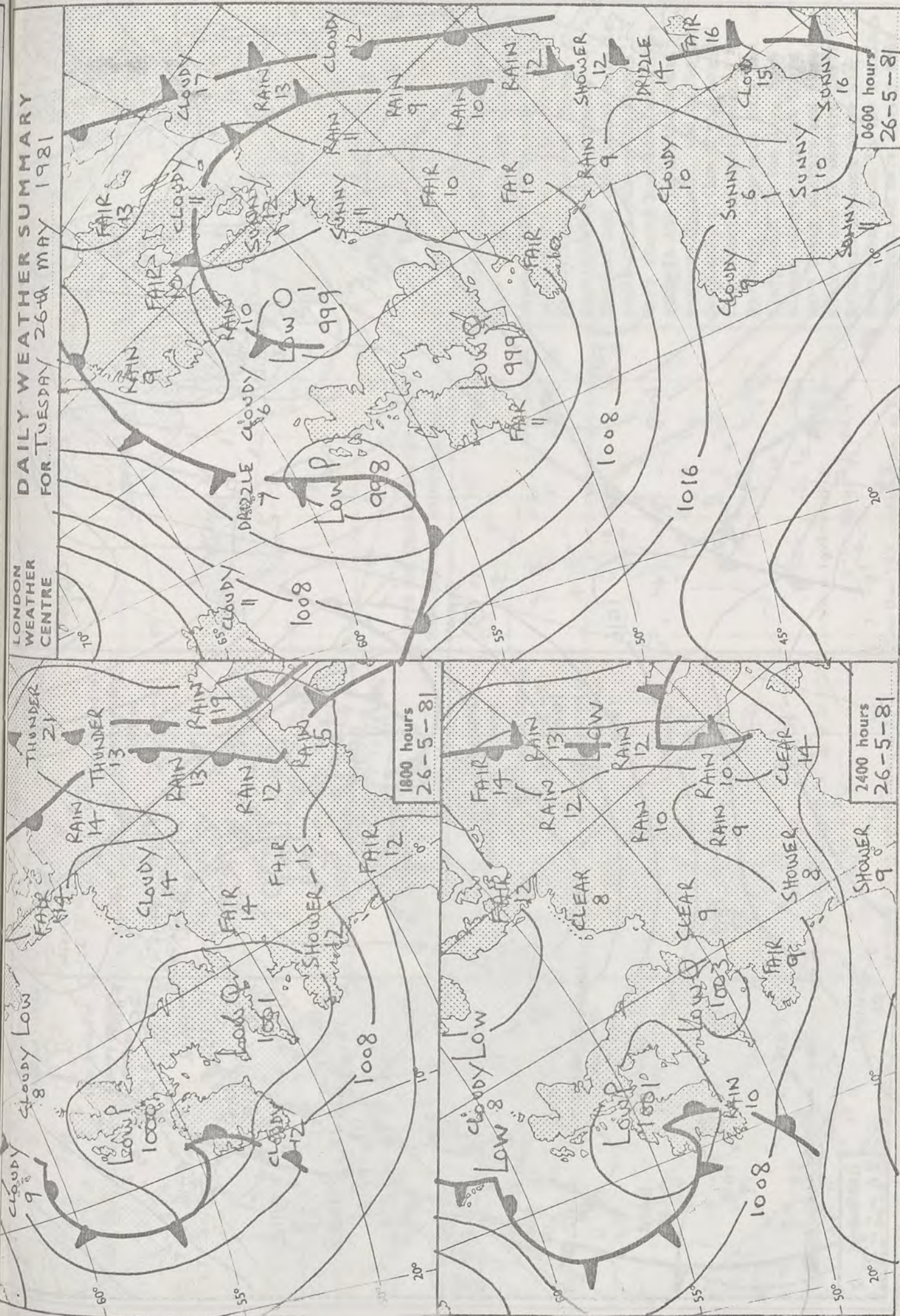
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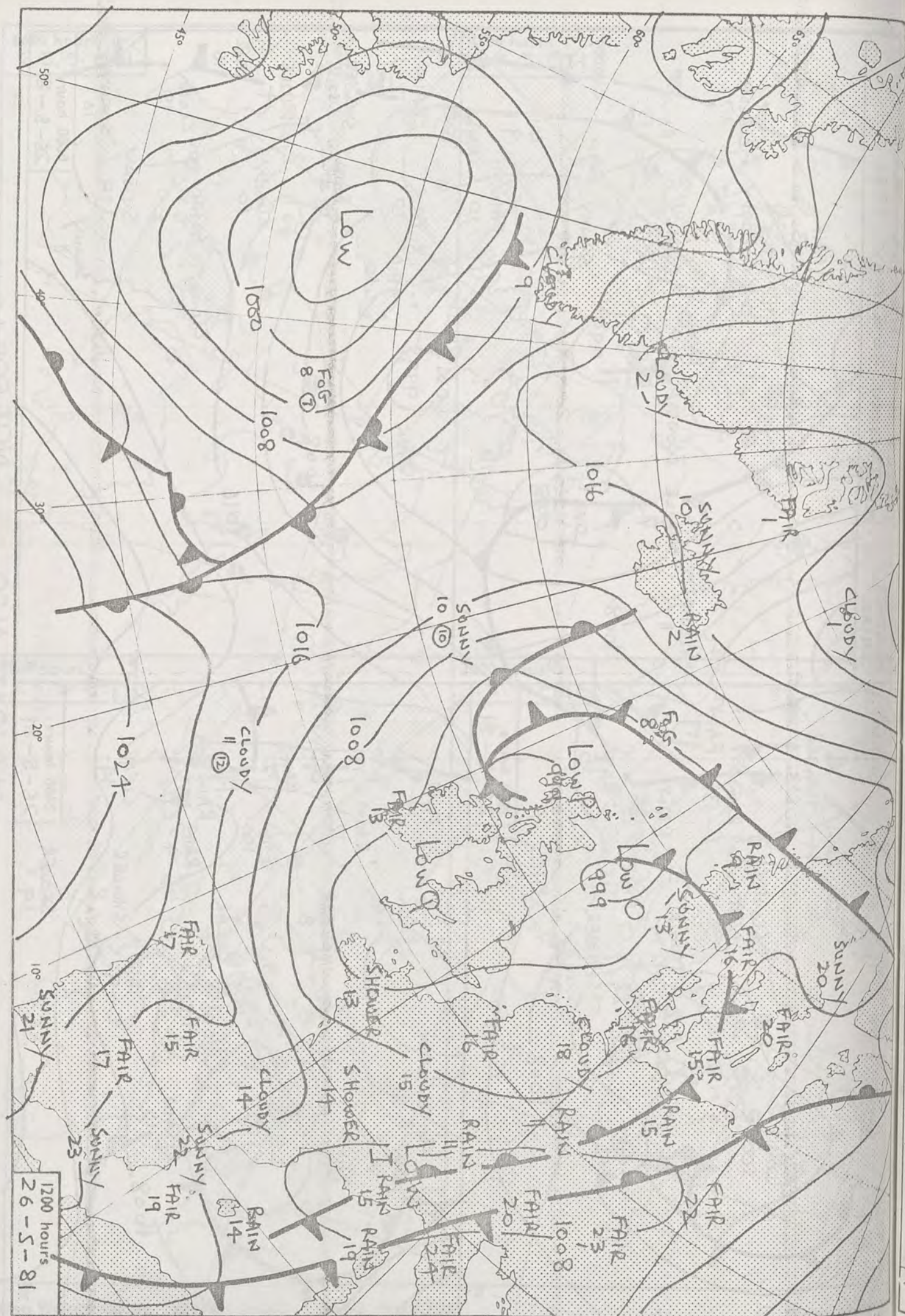
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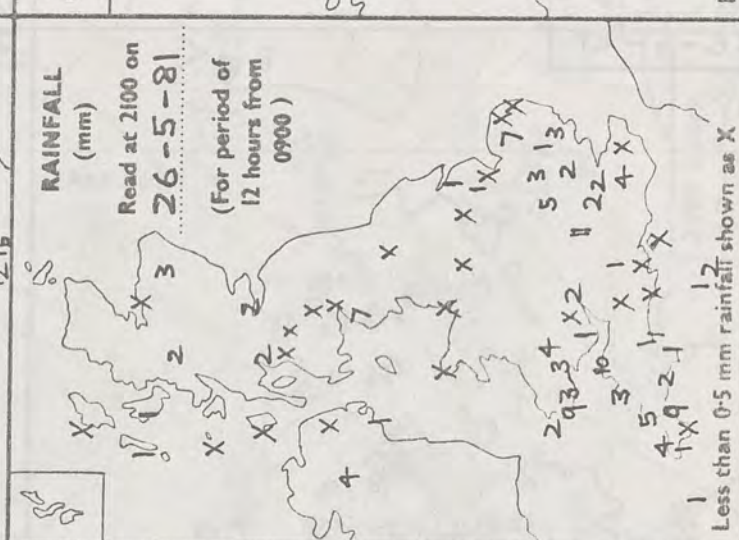
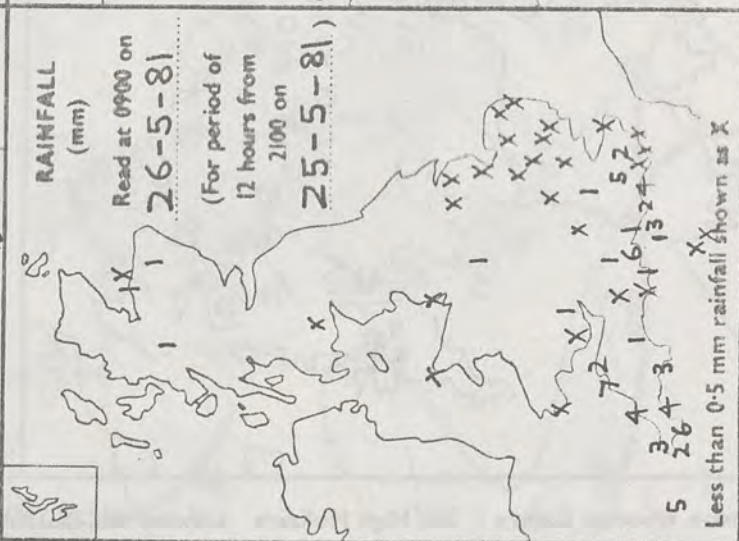
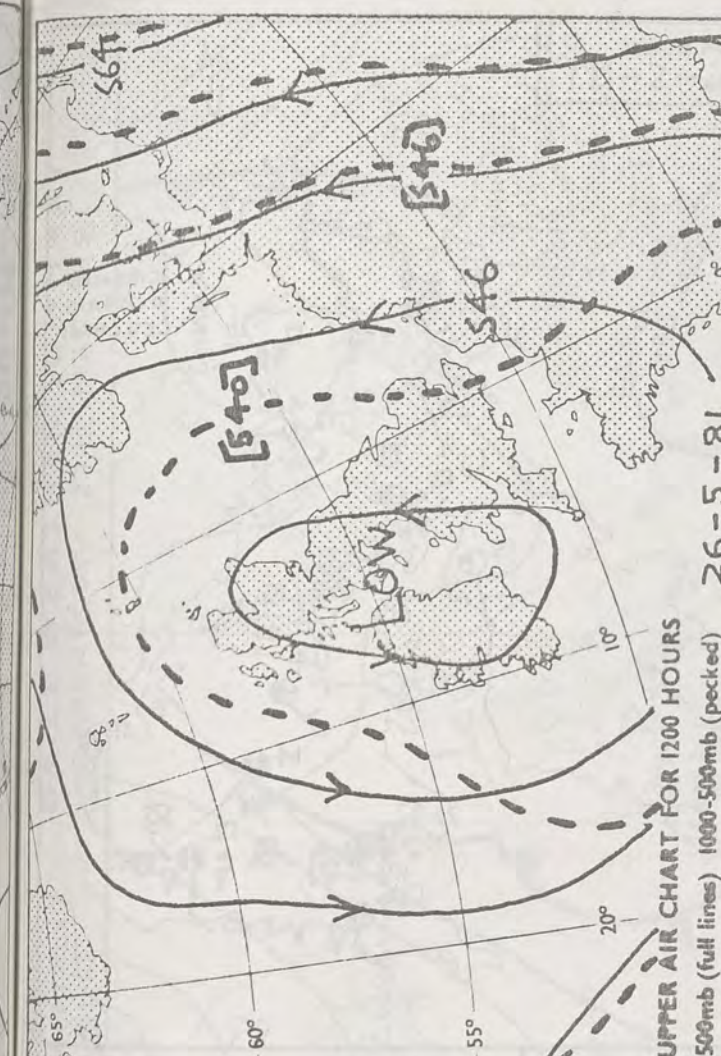
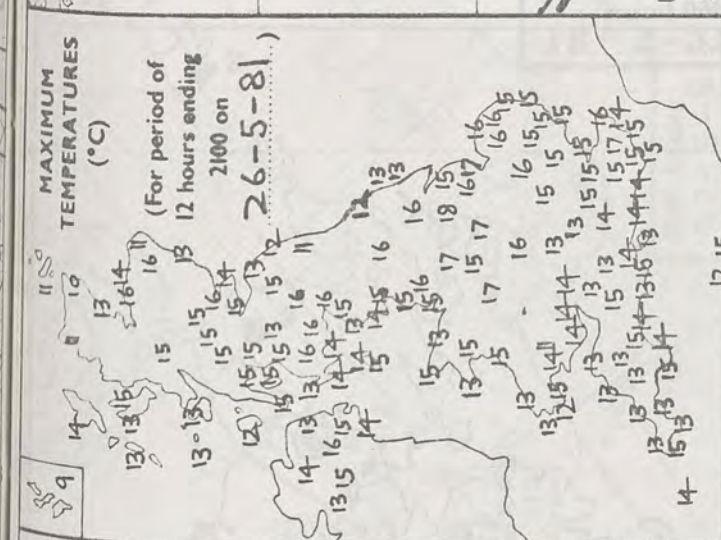
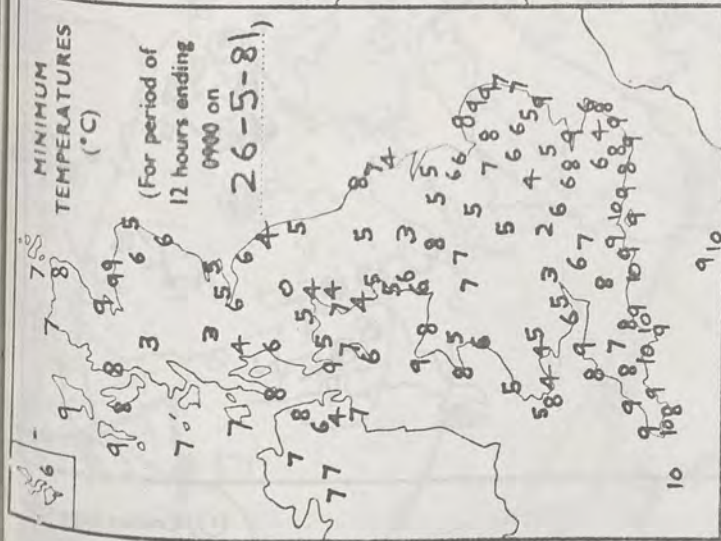


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MINIMUM
TEMPERATURES

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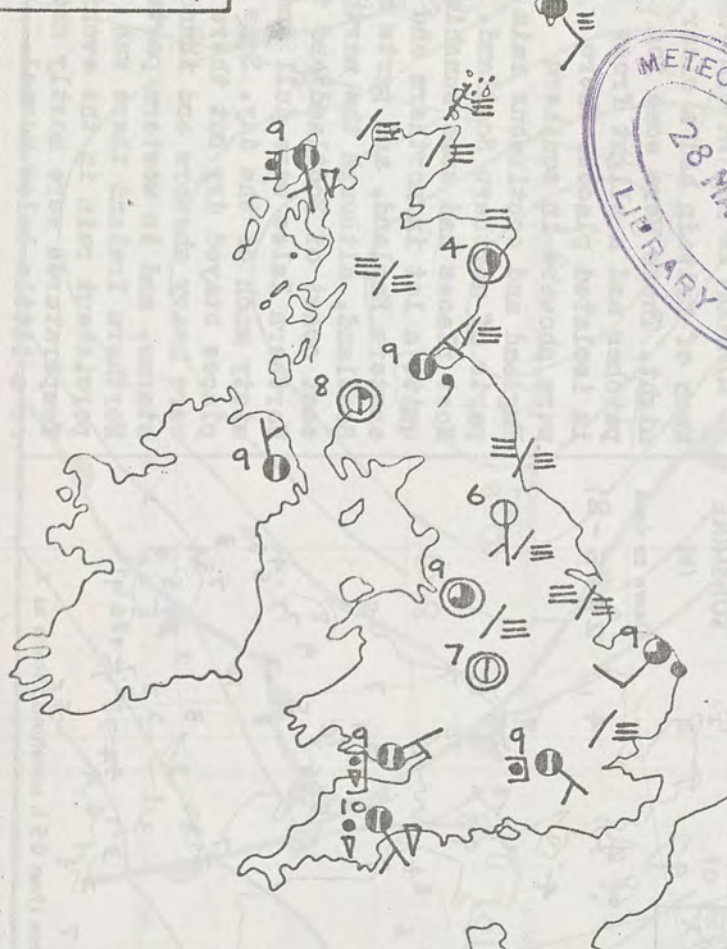
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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

Much of Britain had a clear night. There were some fog patches and a slight frost in isolated places. There were showers in southern England and continuous rain in parts of northern Scotland. Most places had some sunshine, quite a lot in northern and eastern England, and parts of Scotland, although the north-east coast of Scotland and the Northern Isles were dull and misty much of the day. Some places stayed dry but there were heavy showers and thunderstorms, and in western parts of Northern Ireland there was persistent rain in the evening. Temperatures were mostly near or a little below normal.

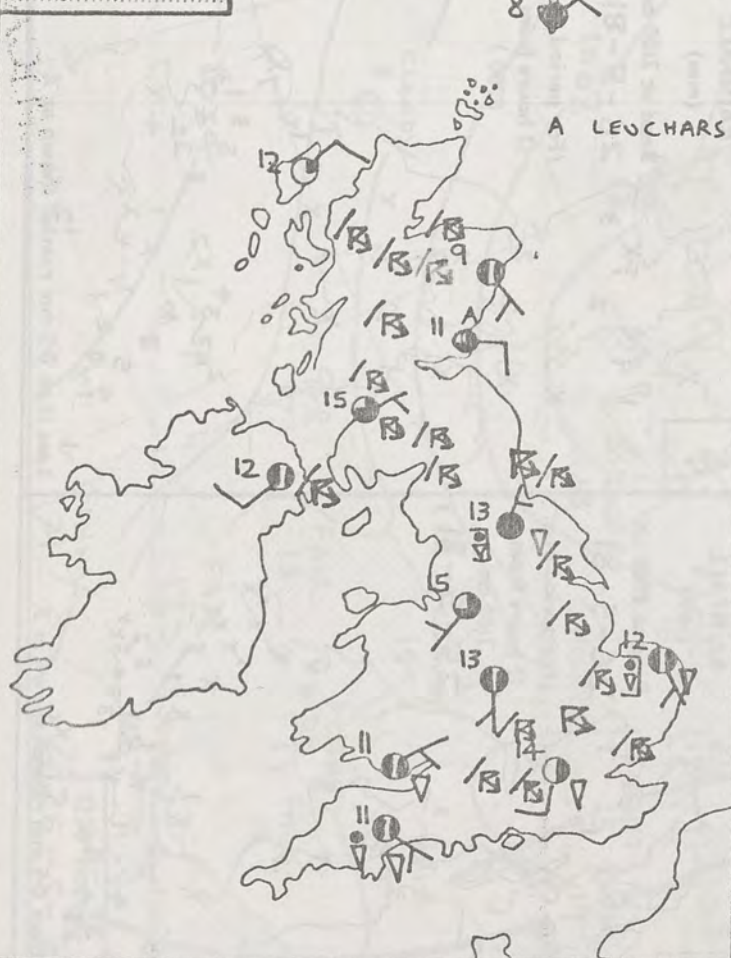
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26-5-81



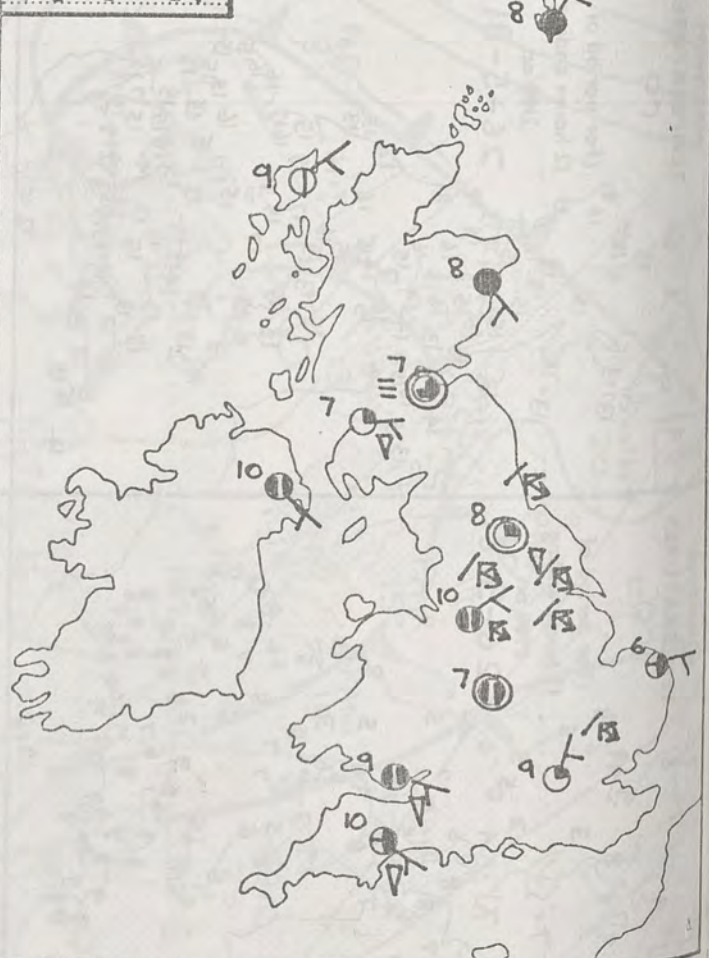
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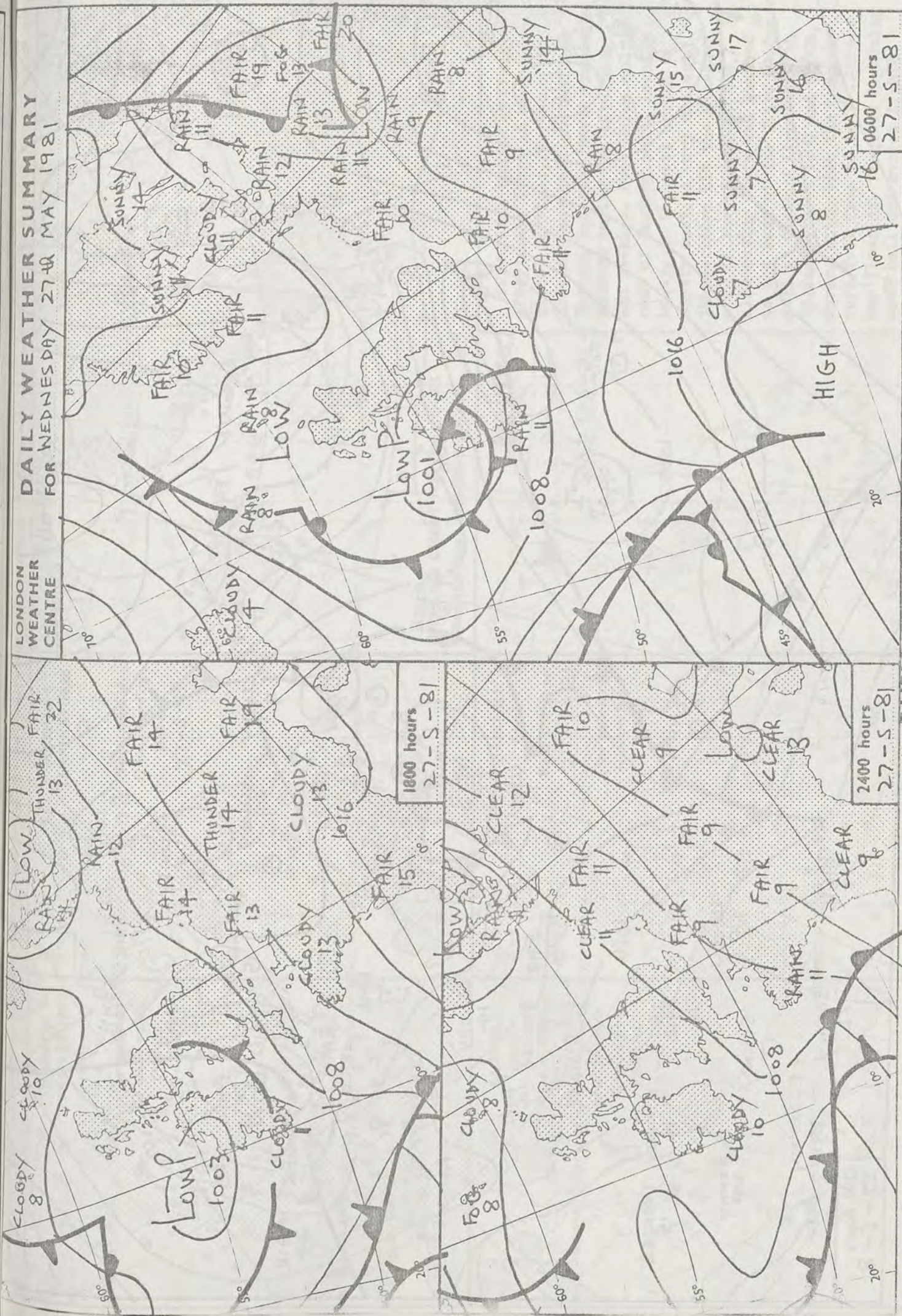
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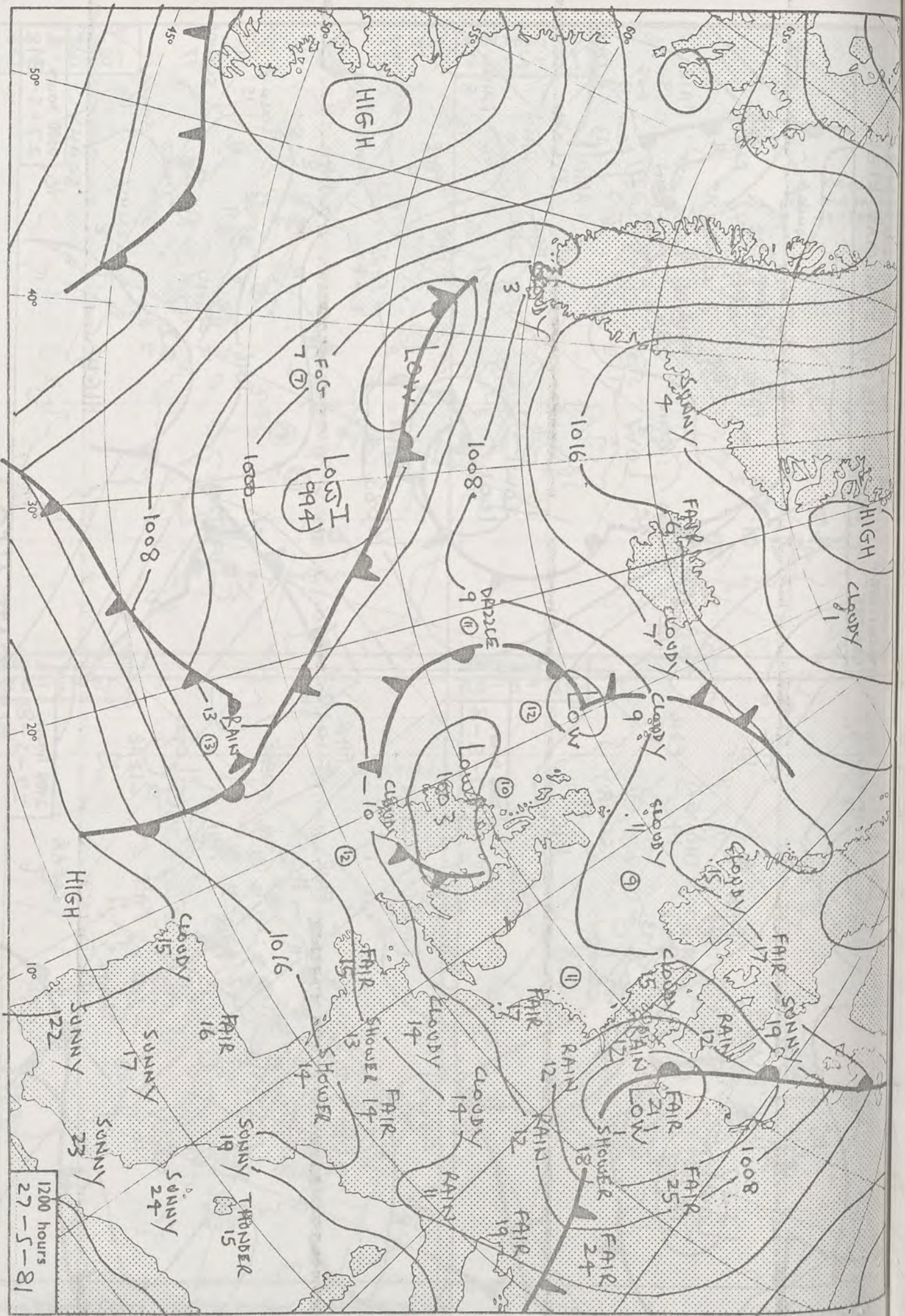
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DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY FOR WEDNESDAY 27th MAY 1981

LONDON
WEATHER
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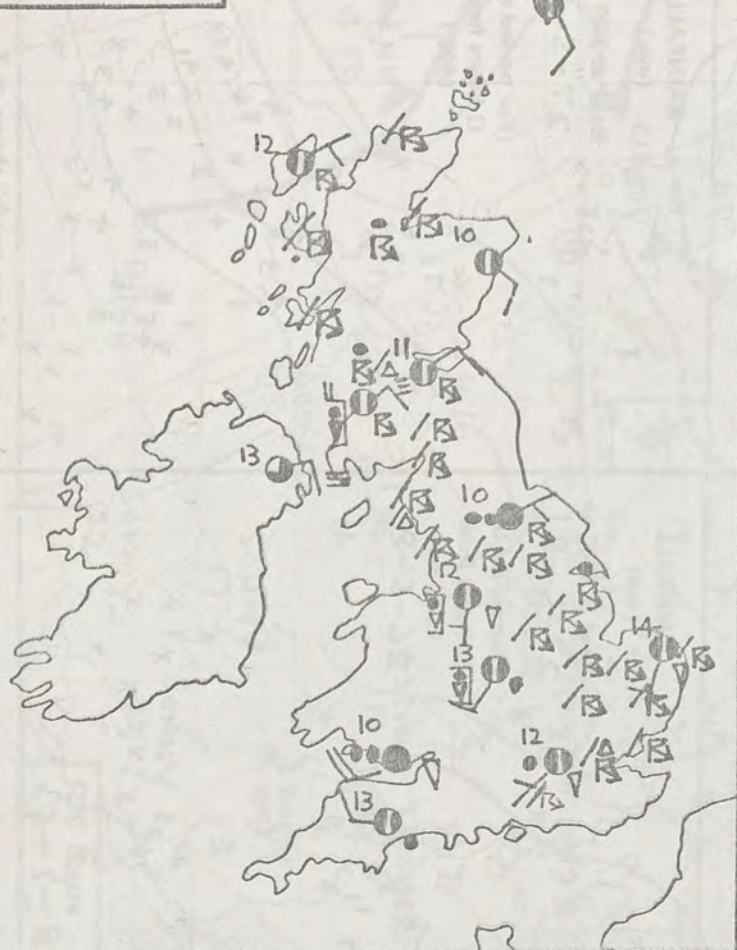
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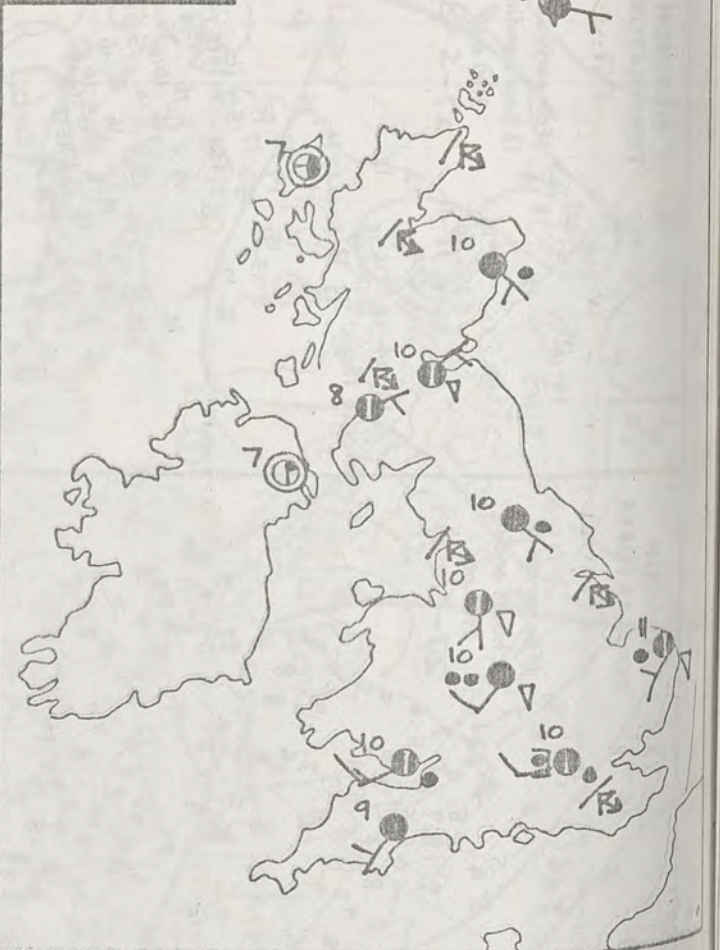
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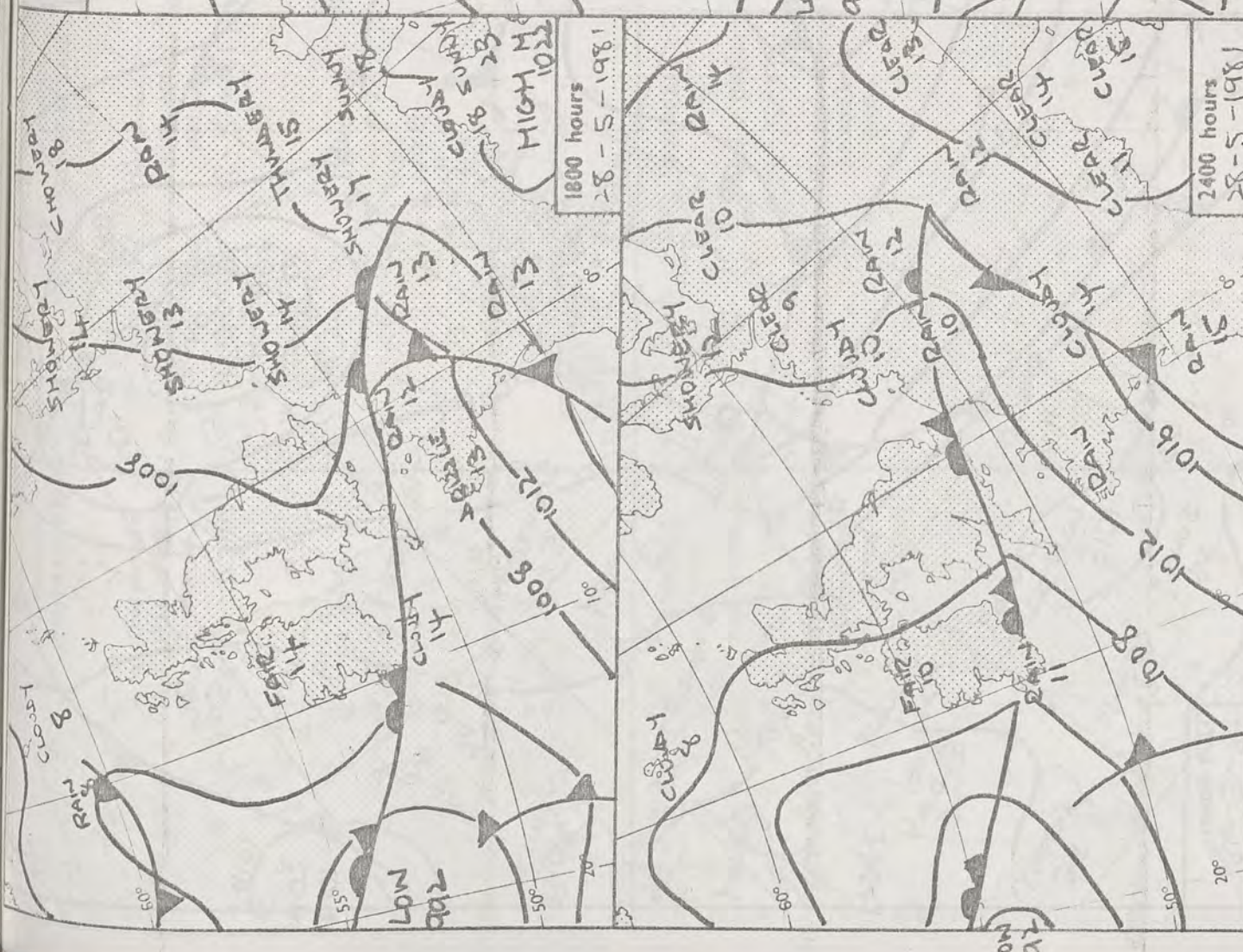


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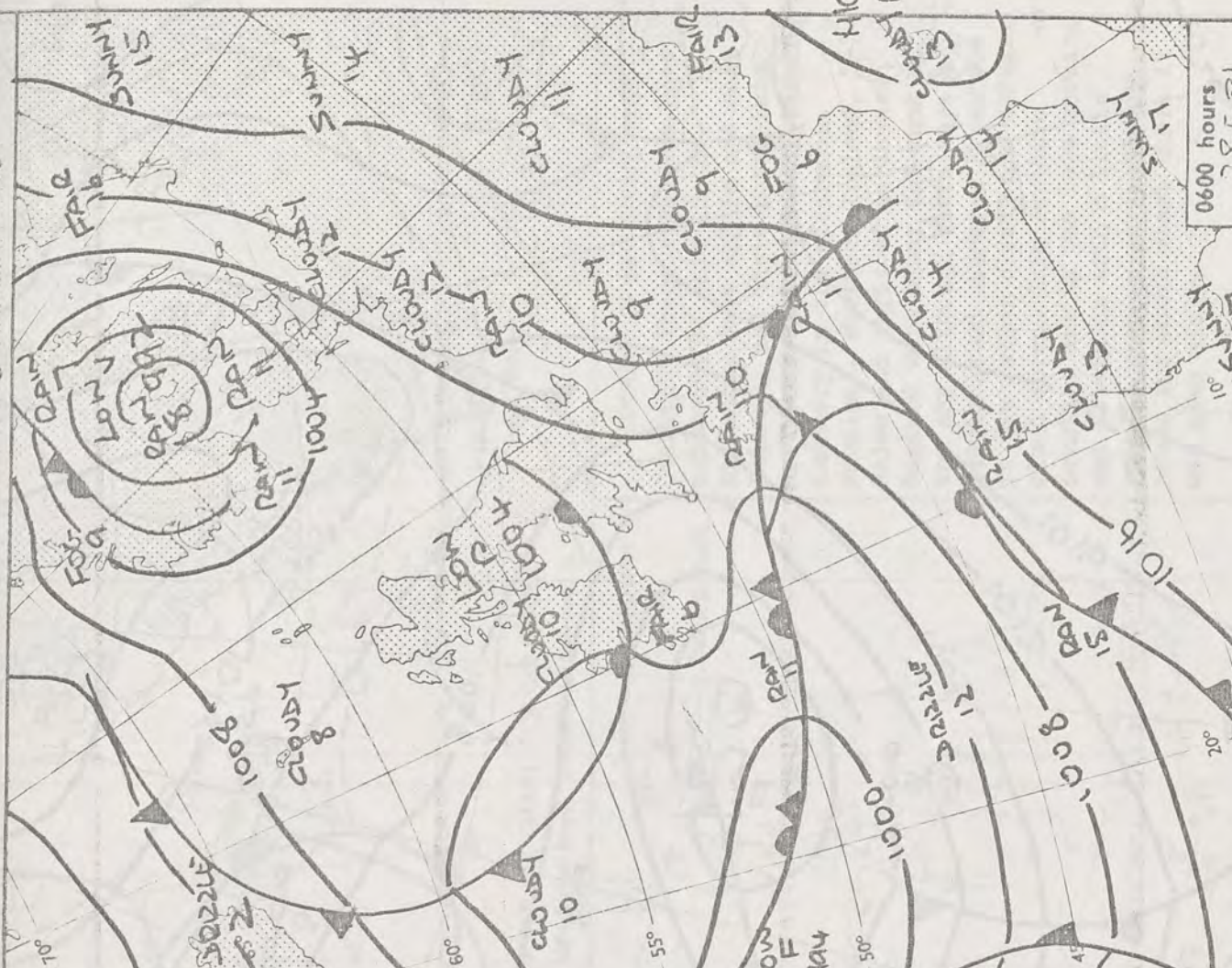
LONDON
WEATHER
CENTRE

DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
FOR THURSDAY 28 MAY 1981



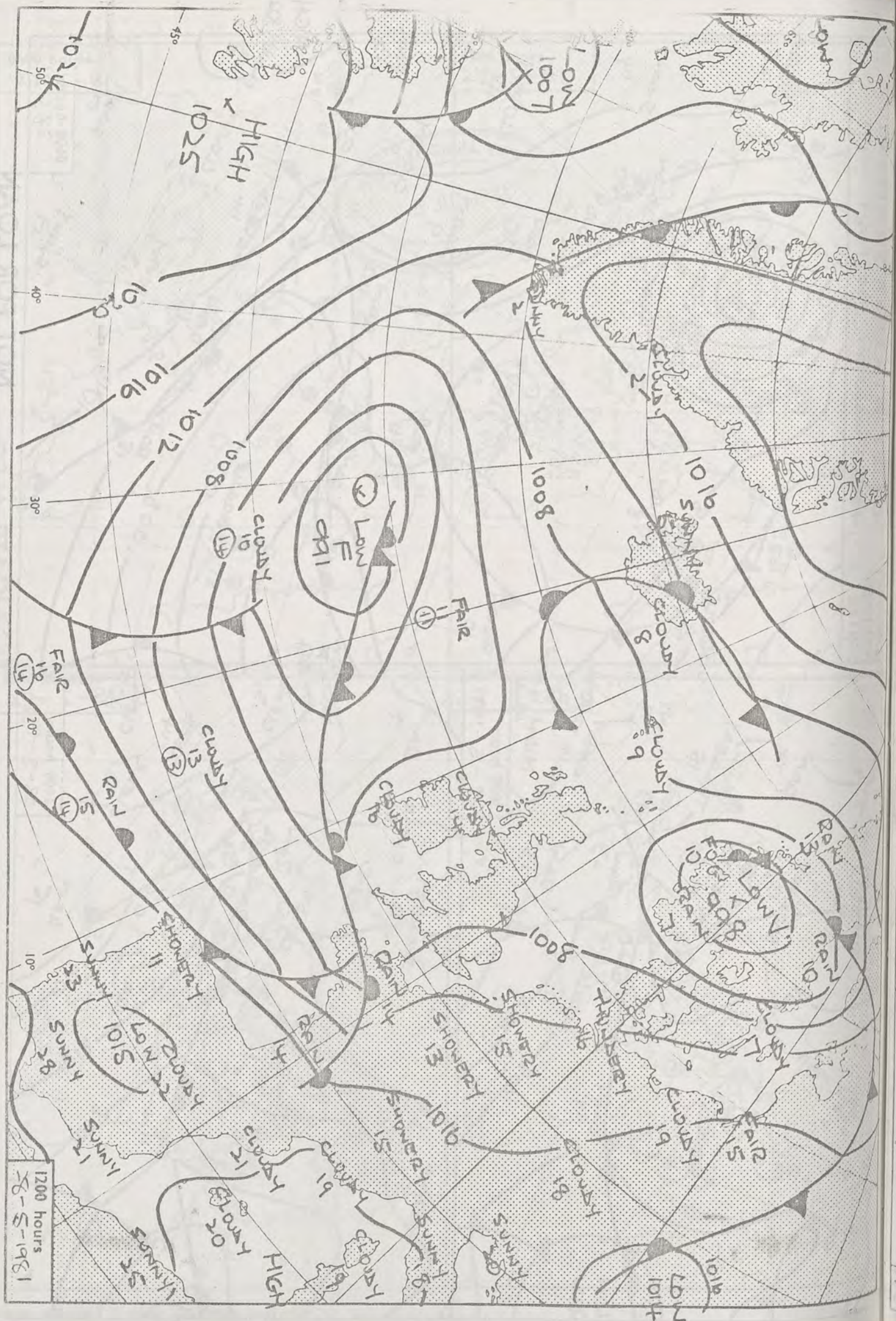
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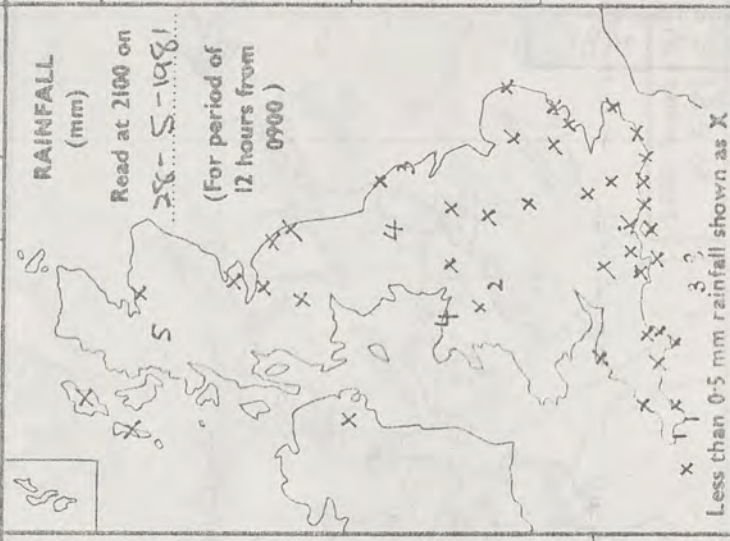
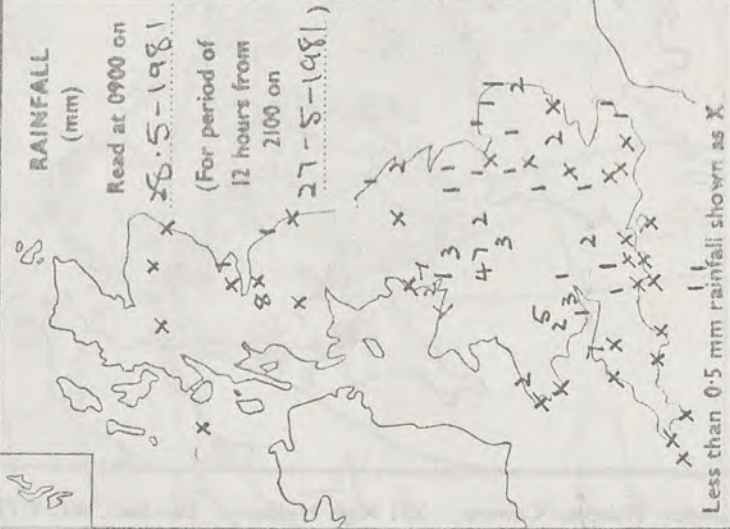
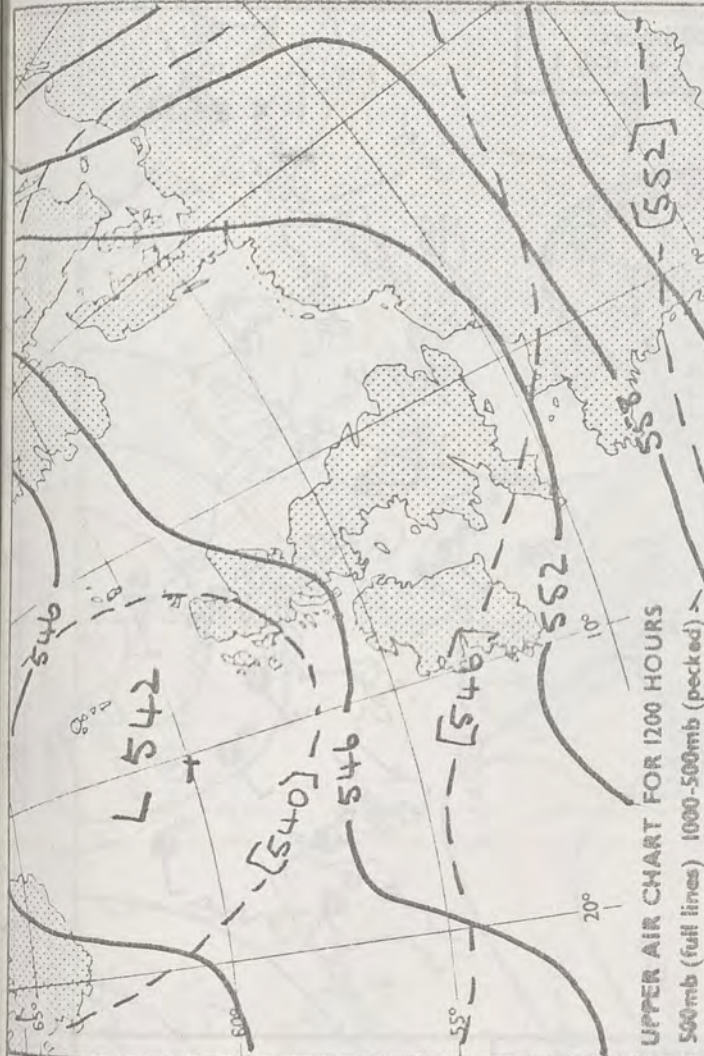
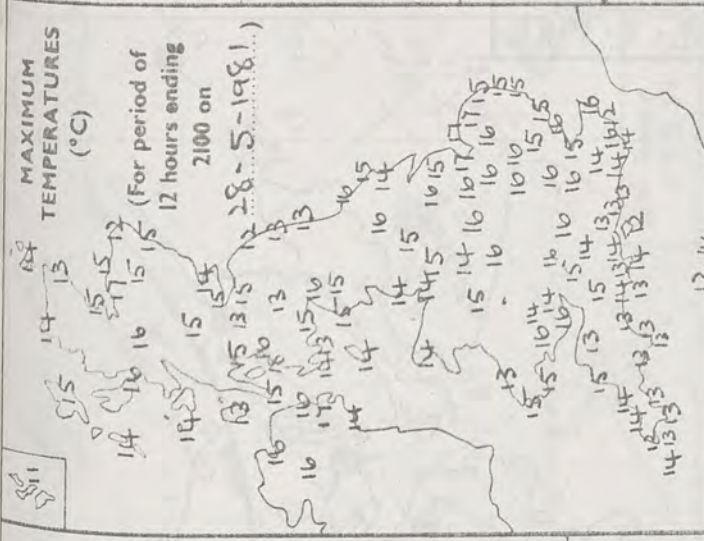
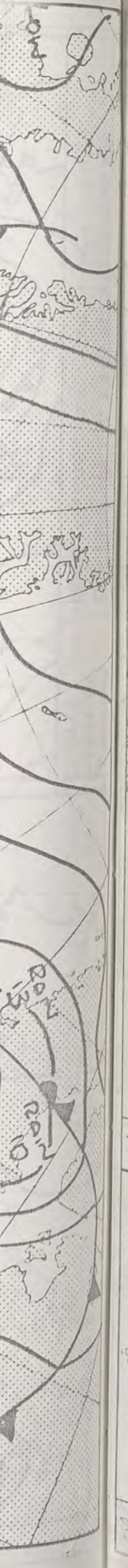
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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

Overnight there were some heavy outbreaks of rain in the Midlands, East Anglia and east England, and these moved into northeast England today, turning thundery in the afternoon. Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales and parts of northwest England were sunny for much of the day although there were a few isolated showers. Elsewhere it was rather cloudy and thicker cloud spread into southern counties during the late morning and afternoon with a little rain in places, particularly along the south coast where it was also misty.

0600 hours
28.5.1981



1200 hours
28.5.1981



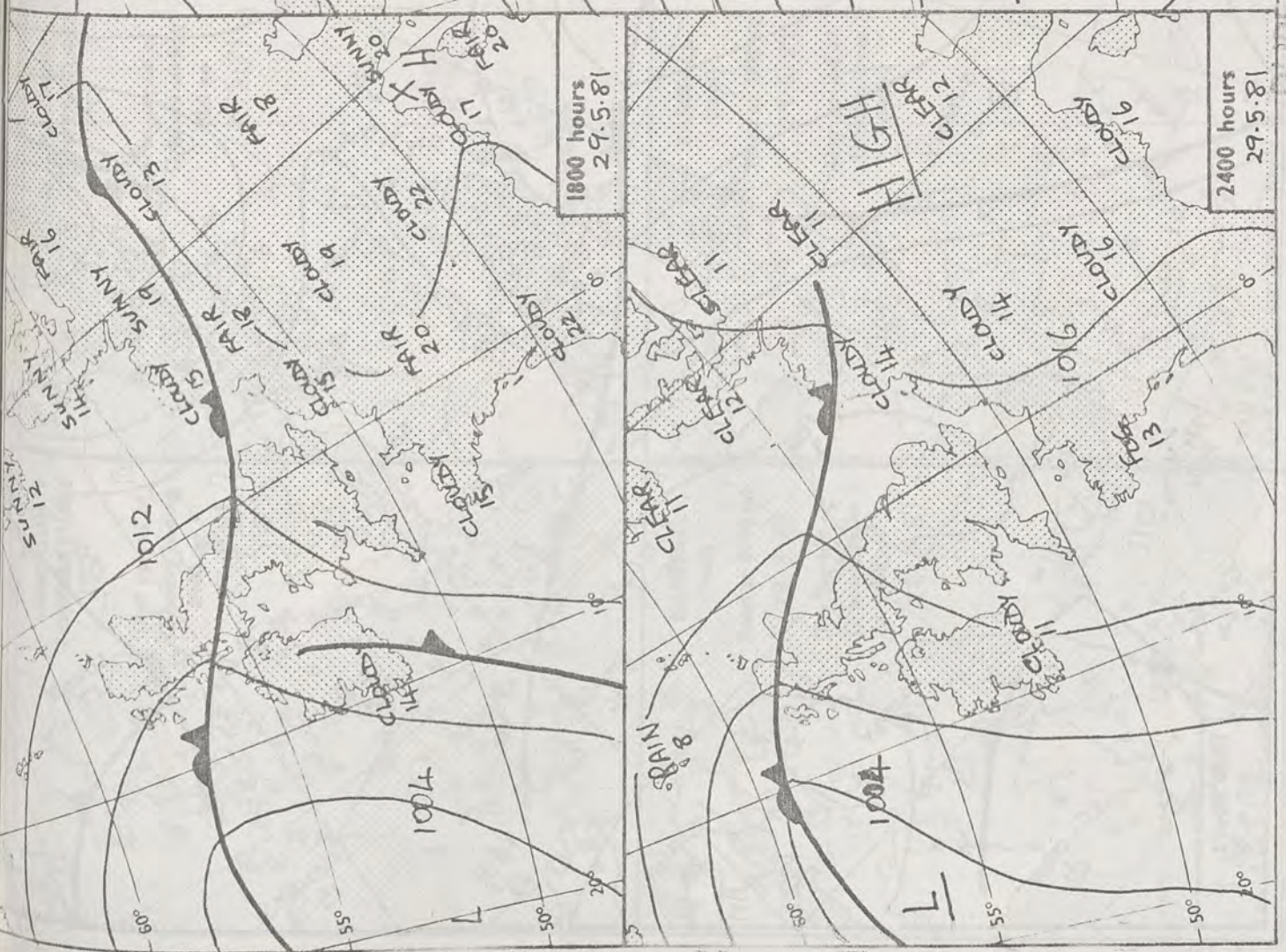
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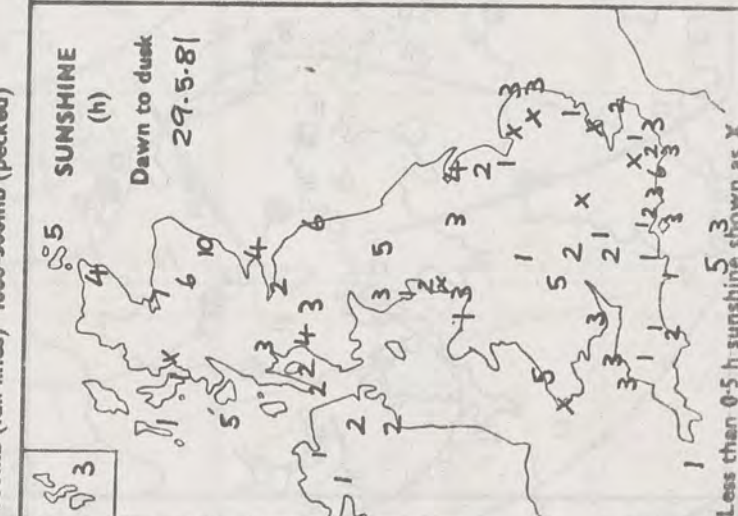
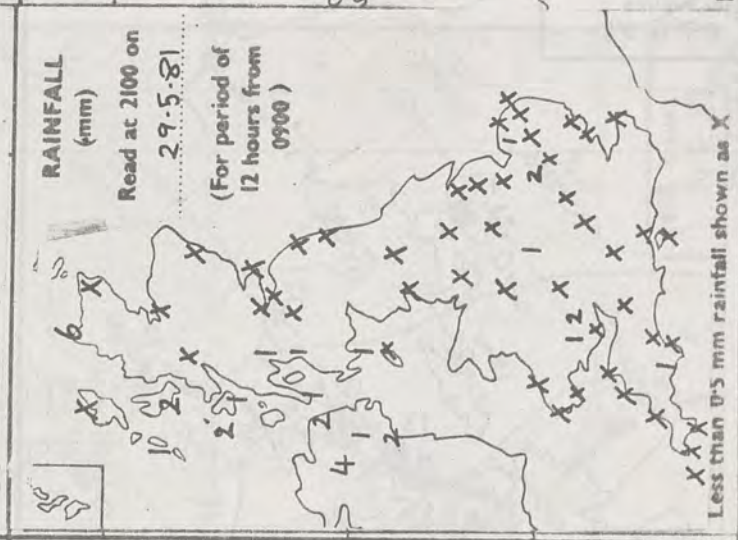
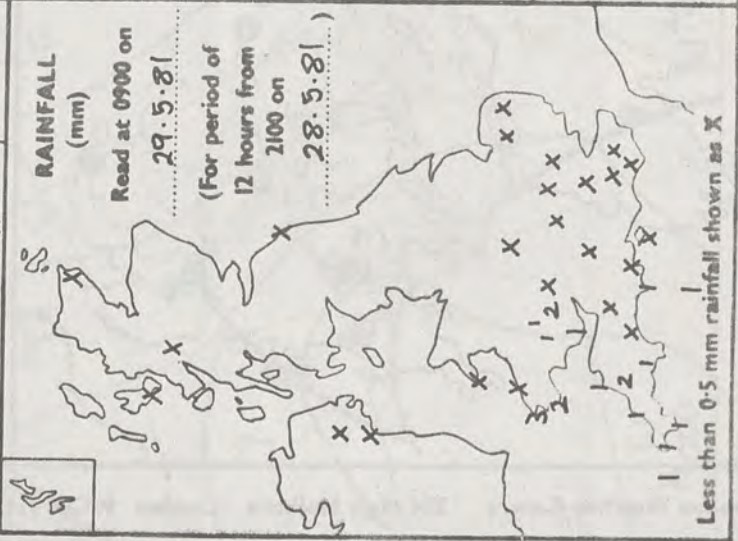
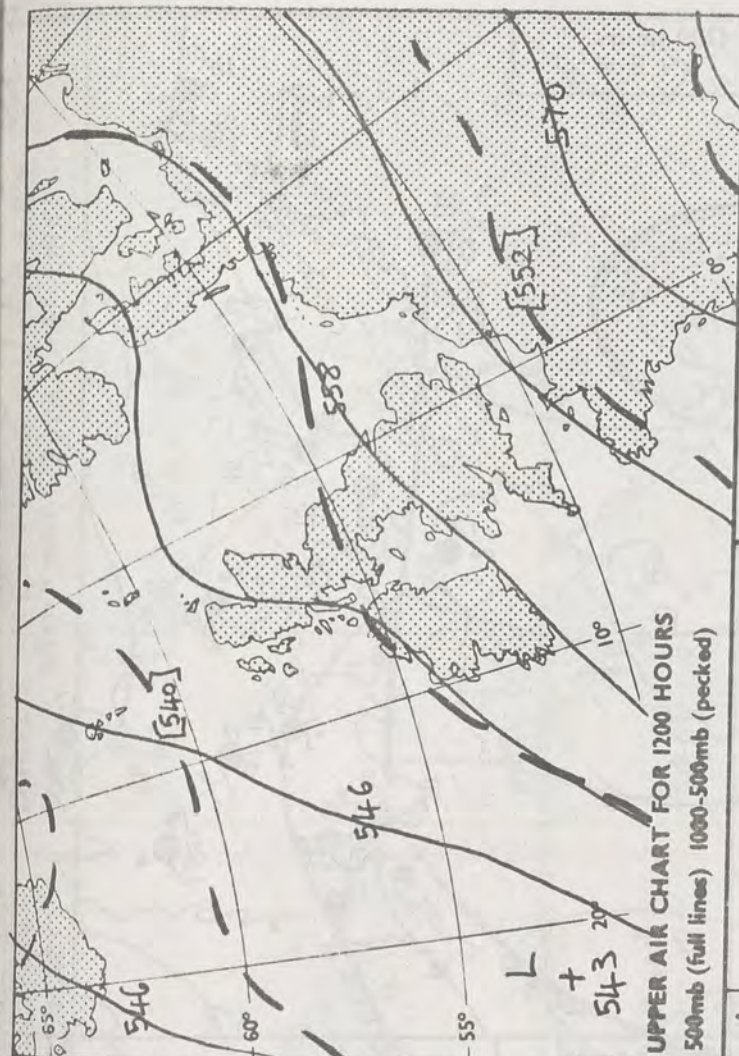
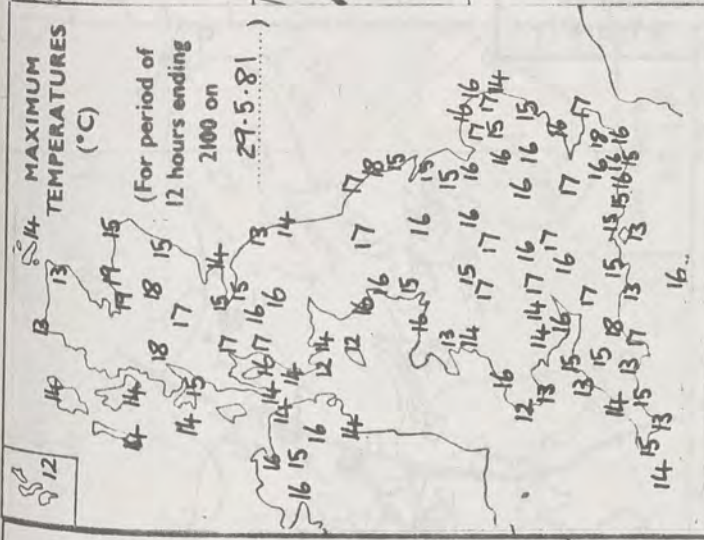
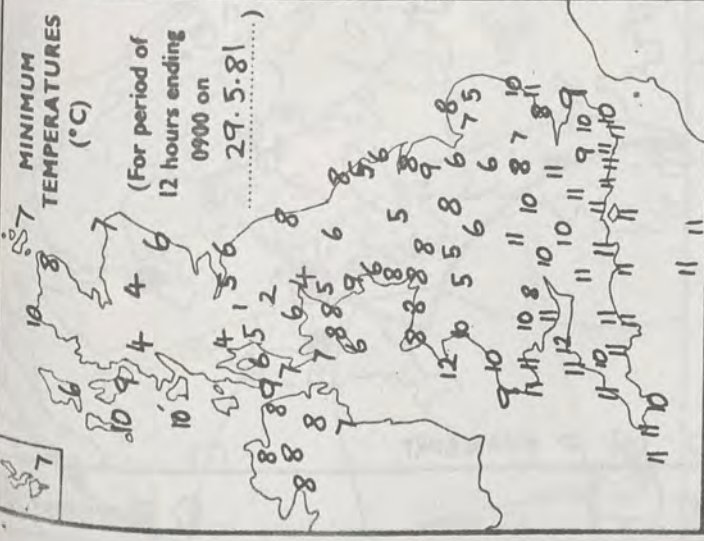
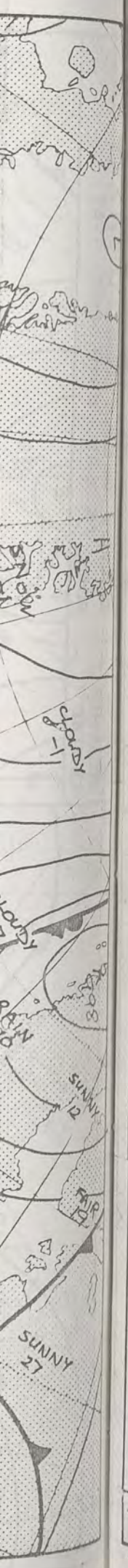
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LONDON WEATHER CENTRE
DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
FOR FRIDAY 29TH. MAY 1981



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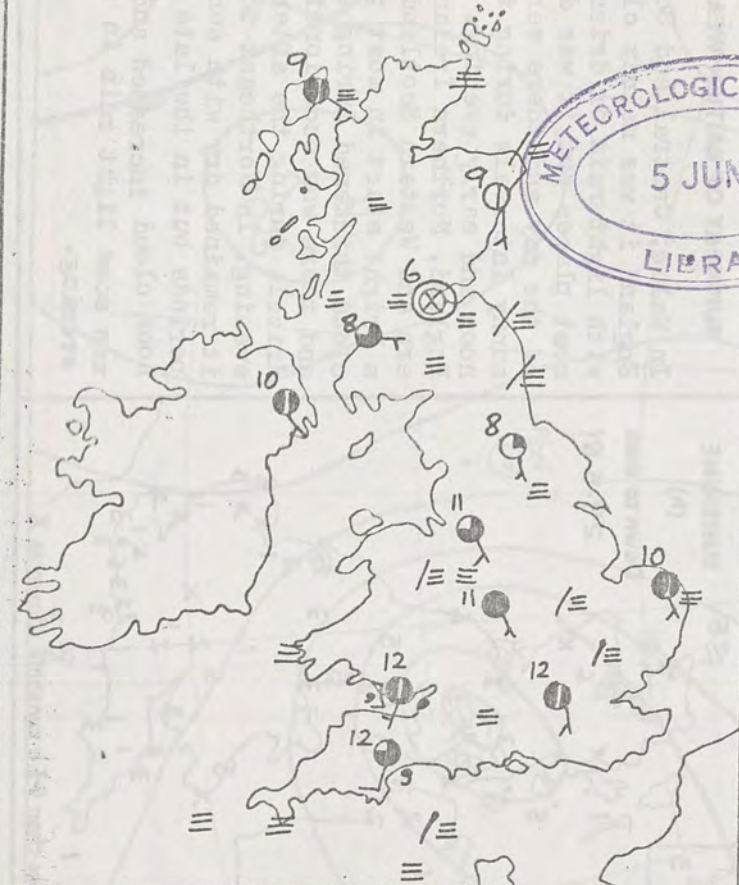
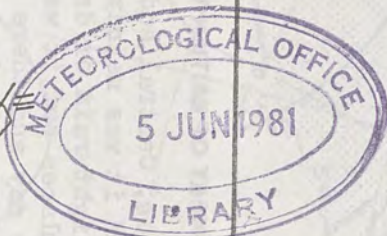


SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

In Wales, Central and Southern England it was mainly cloudy with light rain or drizzle in most places but it was dry much of the day and there were brief sunny intervals during the afternoon and early evening. In Northern England, Northern Ireland, Southern and Western Scotland after a bright start in most places cloud thickened during the day and there was occasional rain or drizzle during the afternoon and evening. In Northeast Scotland it remained dry with sunny periods but in the late afternoon cloud increased and there was some light rain in the evening.

0600 hours
29.5.81

1200 hours
29.5.81



1800 hours
29.5.81

2400 hours
29.5.81



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DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
SATURDAY 29th MAY 1981

LONDON WEATHER
CENTRE

SUN 30th

MON 31st

TUE 1st

WED 2nd

THUR 3rd

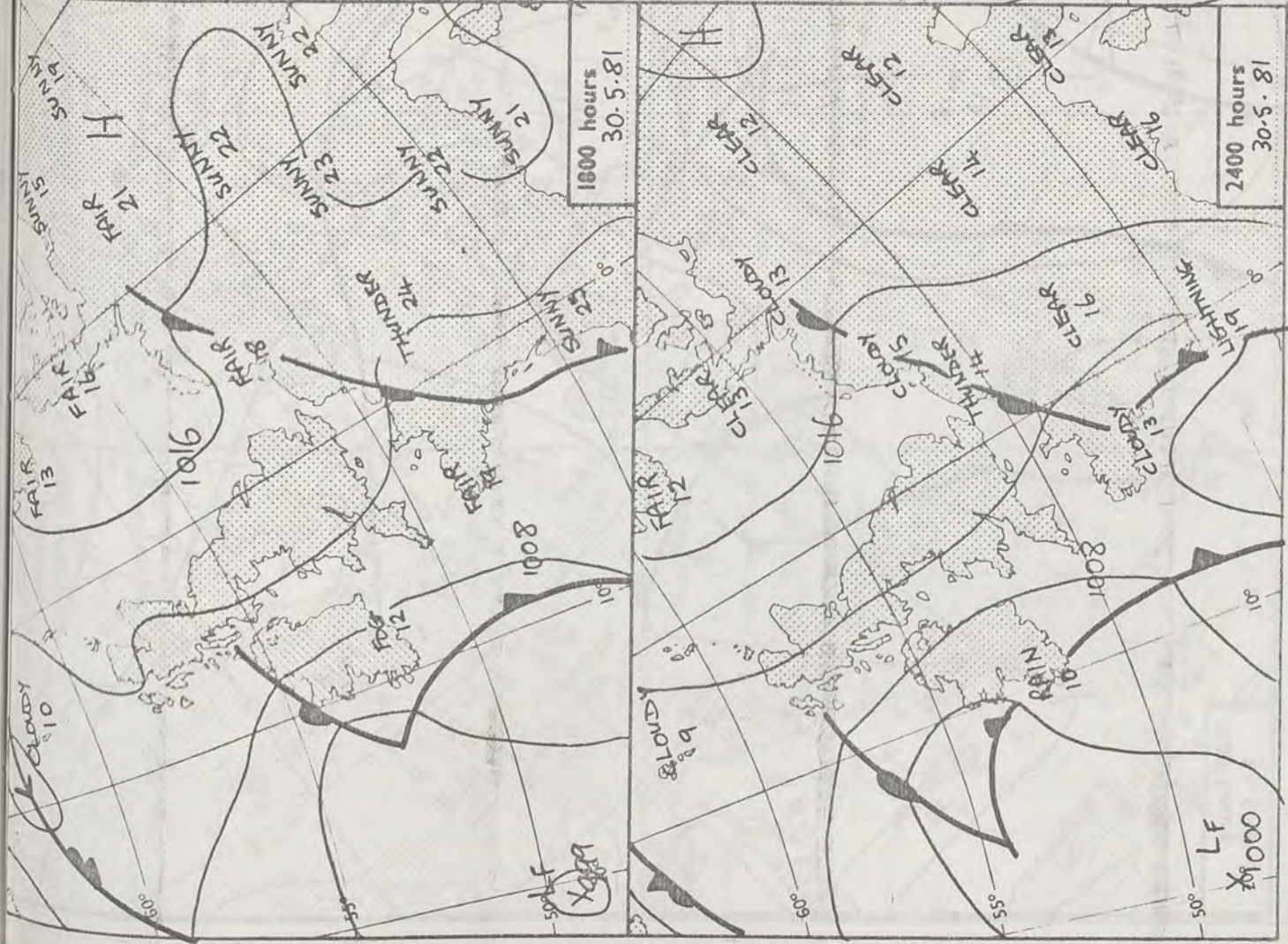
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SUN 6th

LONDON
WEATHER
CENTRE

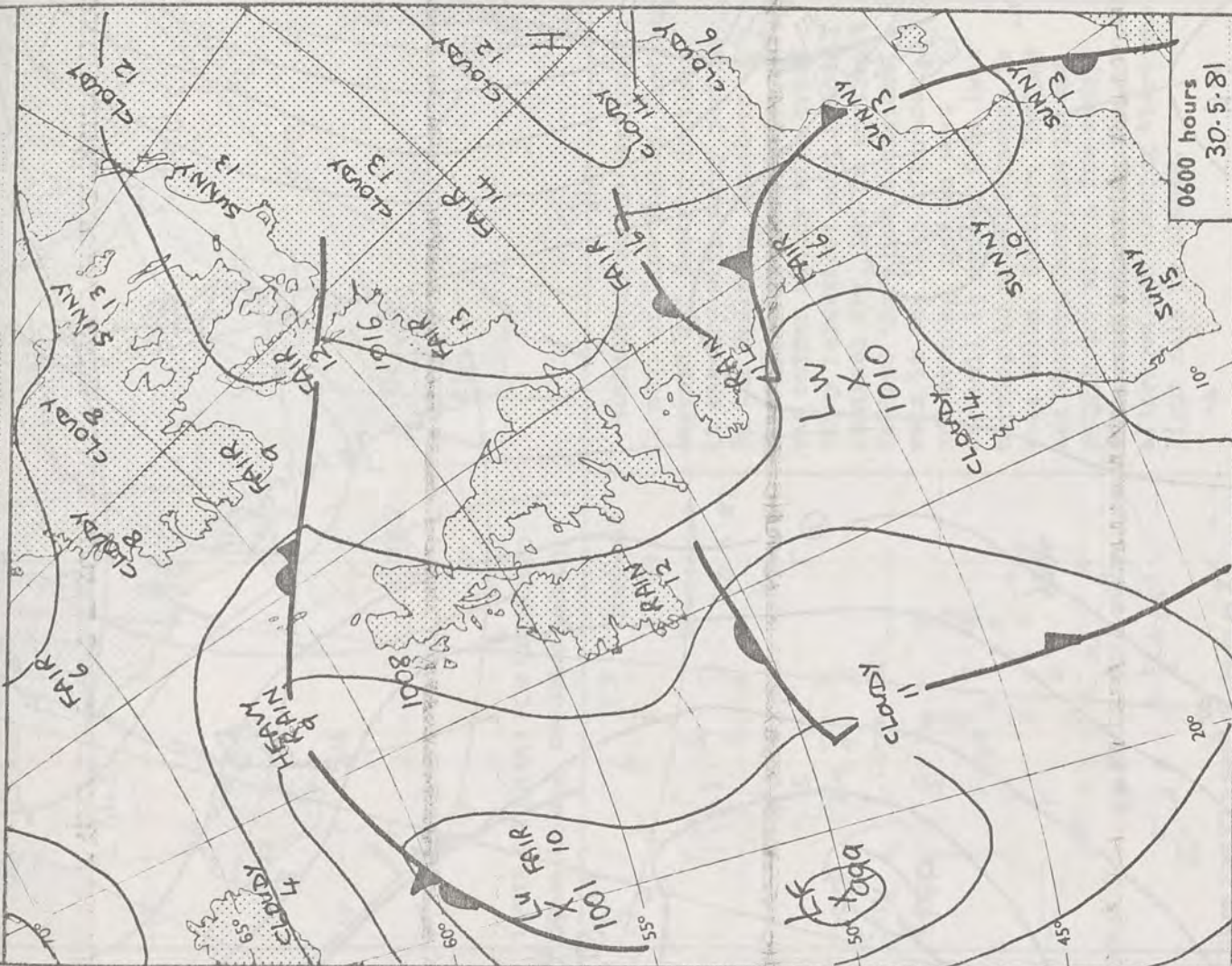
DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY
FOR SATURDAY 30TH MAY 1981



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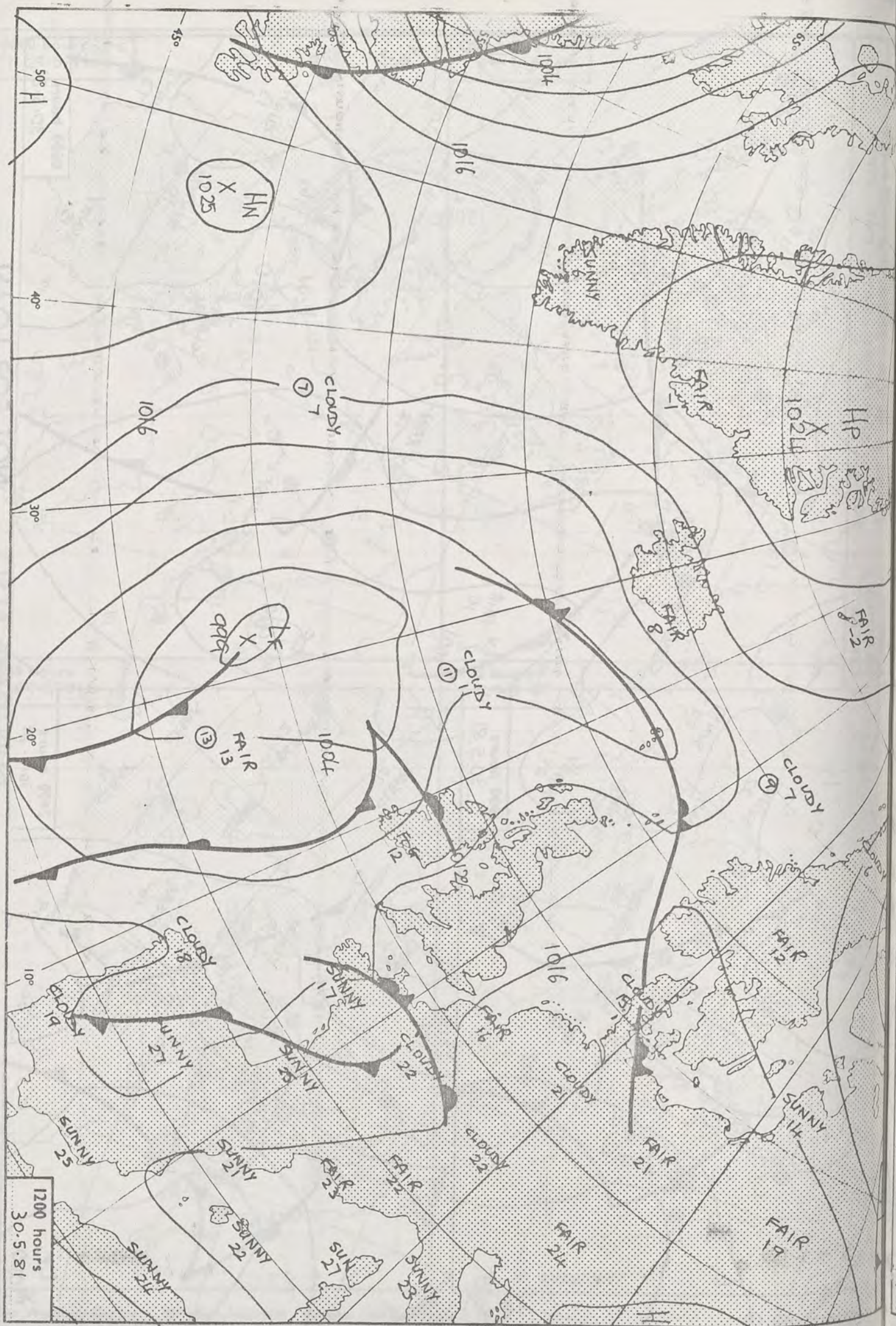
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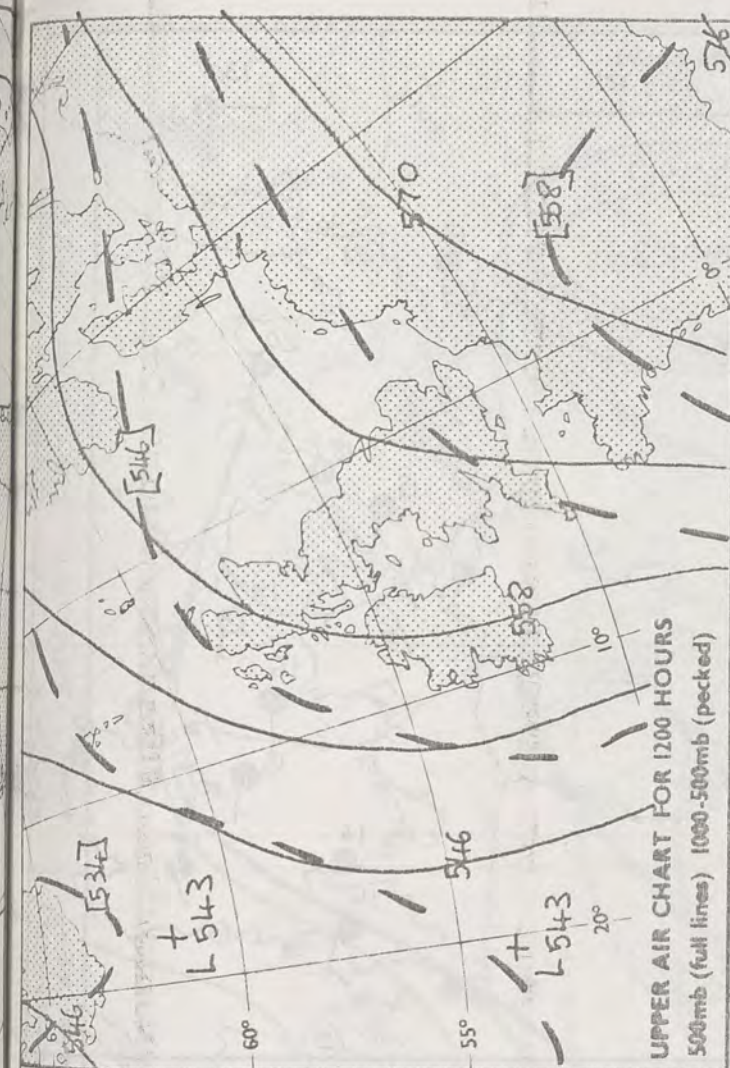


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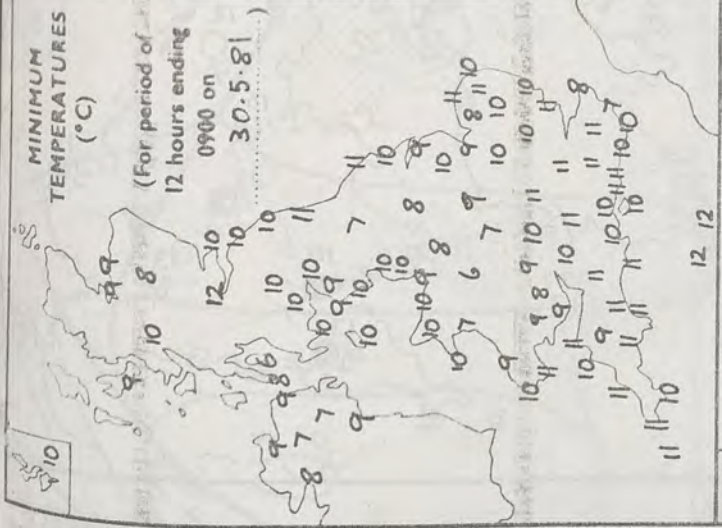
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UPPER AIR CHART FOR 1200 HOURS
500mb (full lines) 1000-500mb (pecked)



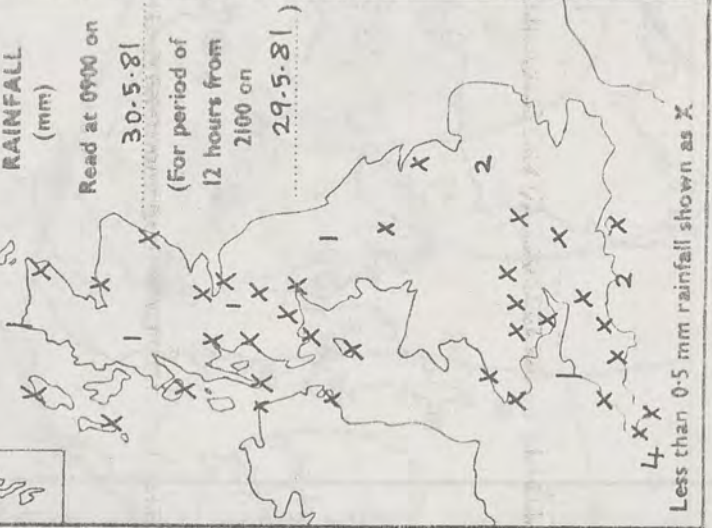
MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES (°C)
(For period of 12 hours ending 2100 on 30.5.81)



MINIMUM TEMPERATURES (°C)
(For period of 12 hours from 0900 on 30.5.81)



RAINFALL (mm)
Read at 2100 on 30.5.81
(For period of 12 hours from 0900)



RAINFALL (mm)
Read at 0900 on 30.5.81
(For period of 12 hours from 2100 on 29.5.81)



SUNSHINE (h)
Dawn to dusk 30.5.81

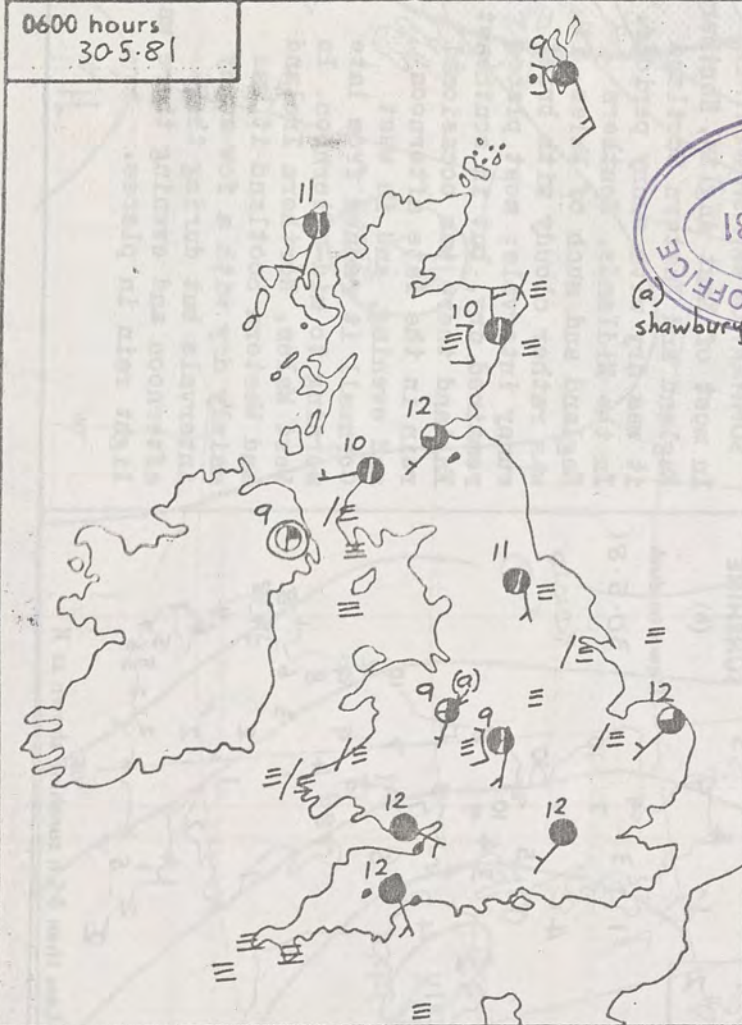
SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER
In most of East Anglia, Northern England and Eastern Scotland it was dry with sunny periods. In the Midlands, Southern England and much of Wales, it was rather cloudy with brief sunny intervals; most places remained dry, but in southeast England there was occasional rain in the late afternoon and evening, and in west Cornwall it rained from late morning to mid-afternoon. In West Wales, Northern Ireland and Western Scotland it was mainly dry with a few sunny intervals but during the afternoon and evening there was light rain in places.

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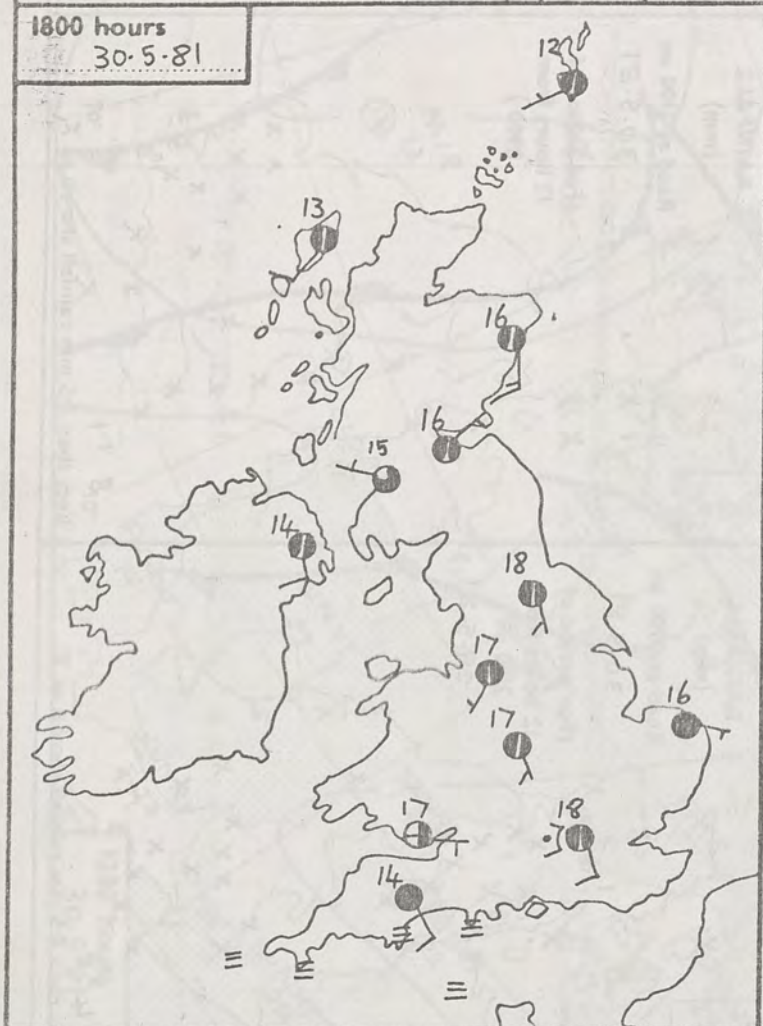
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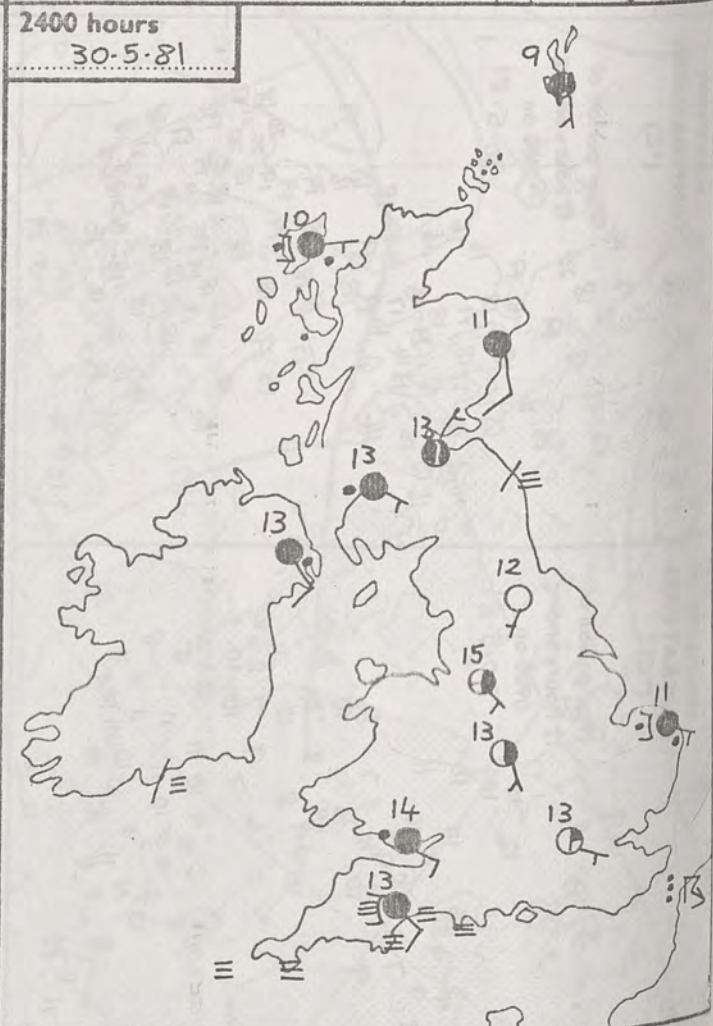
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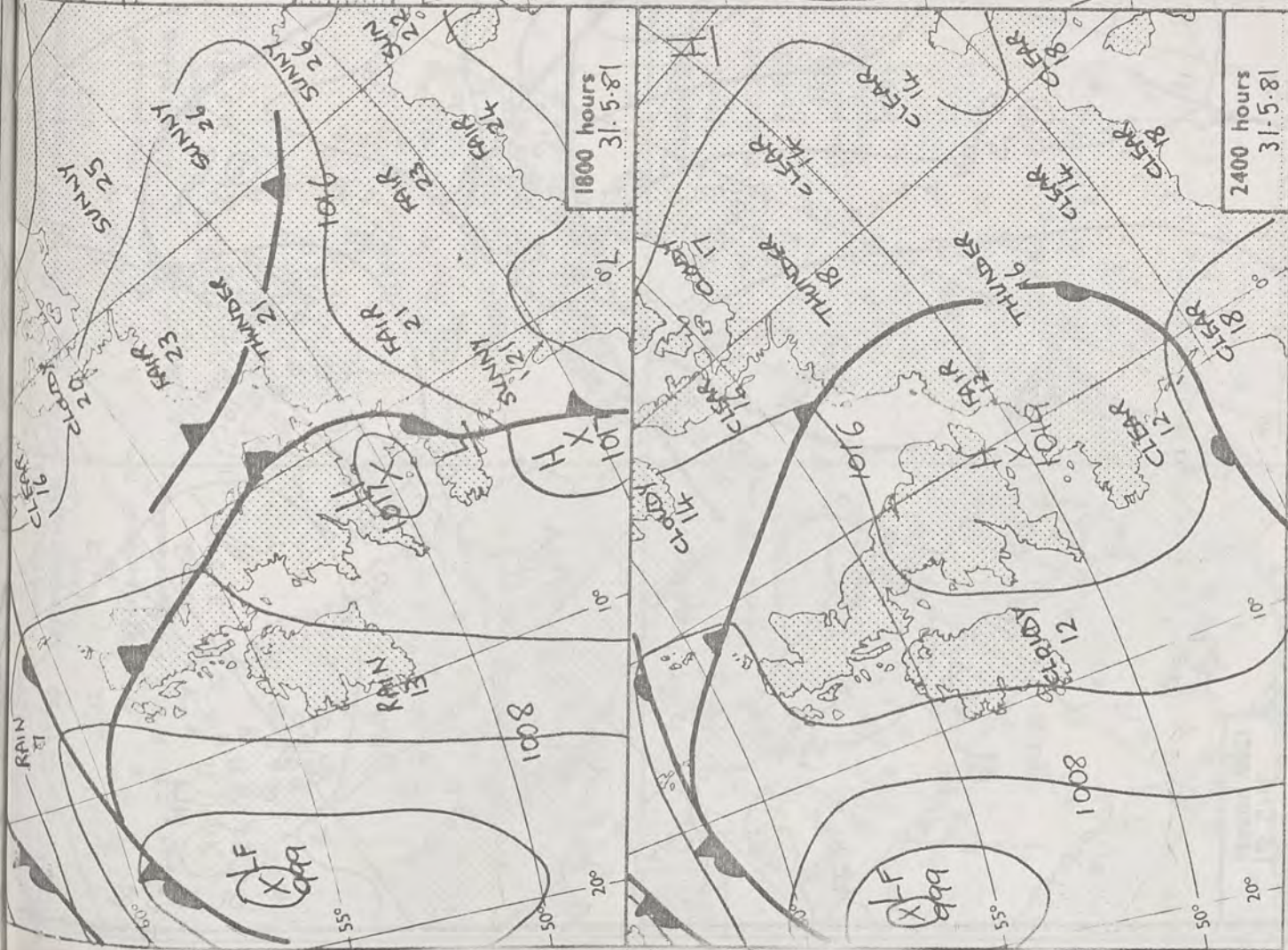


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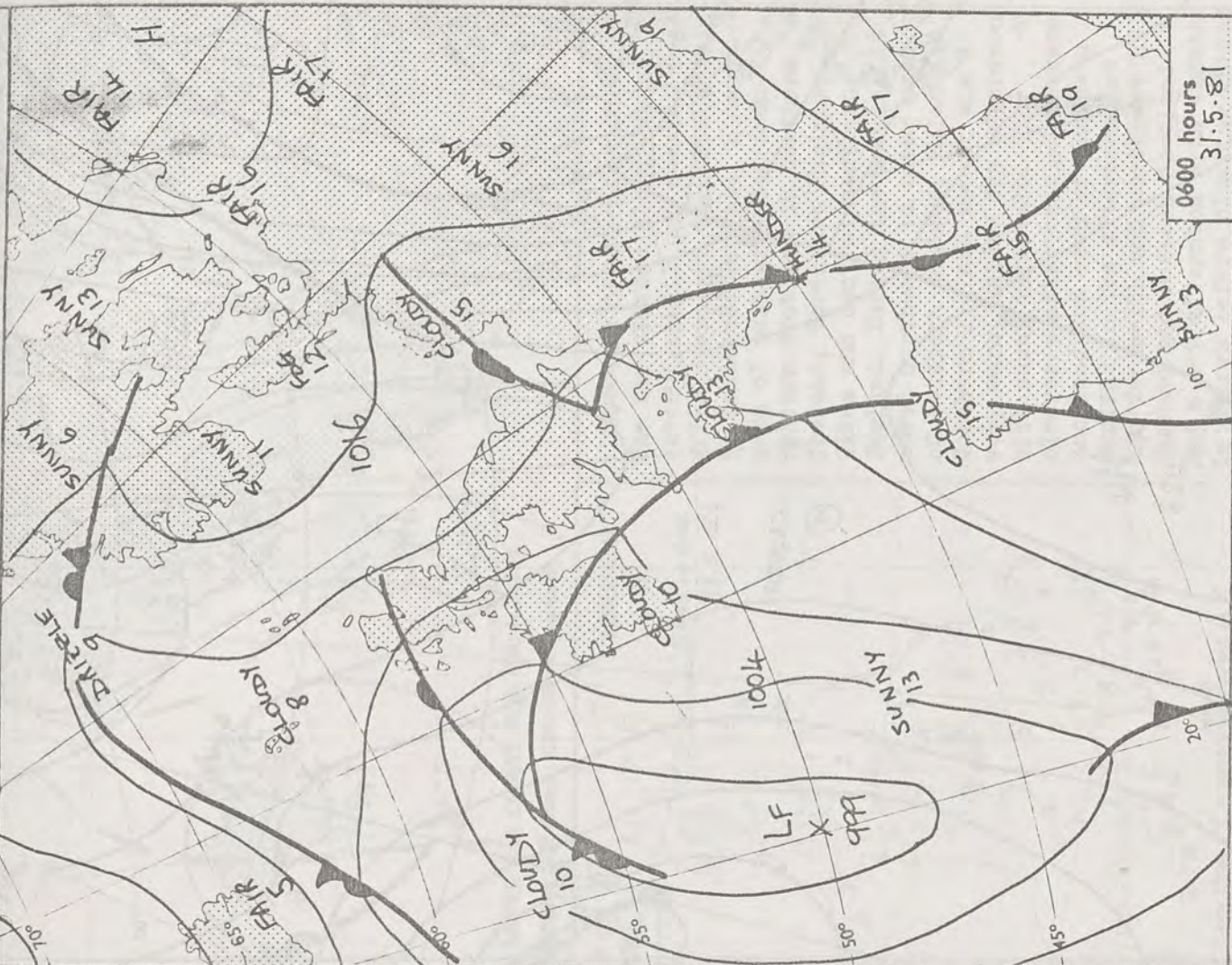
DAILY WEATHER SUMMARY FOR SUNDAY 31ST. MAY 1981

LONDON
WEATHER
CENTRE

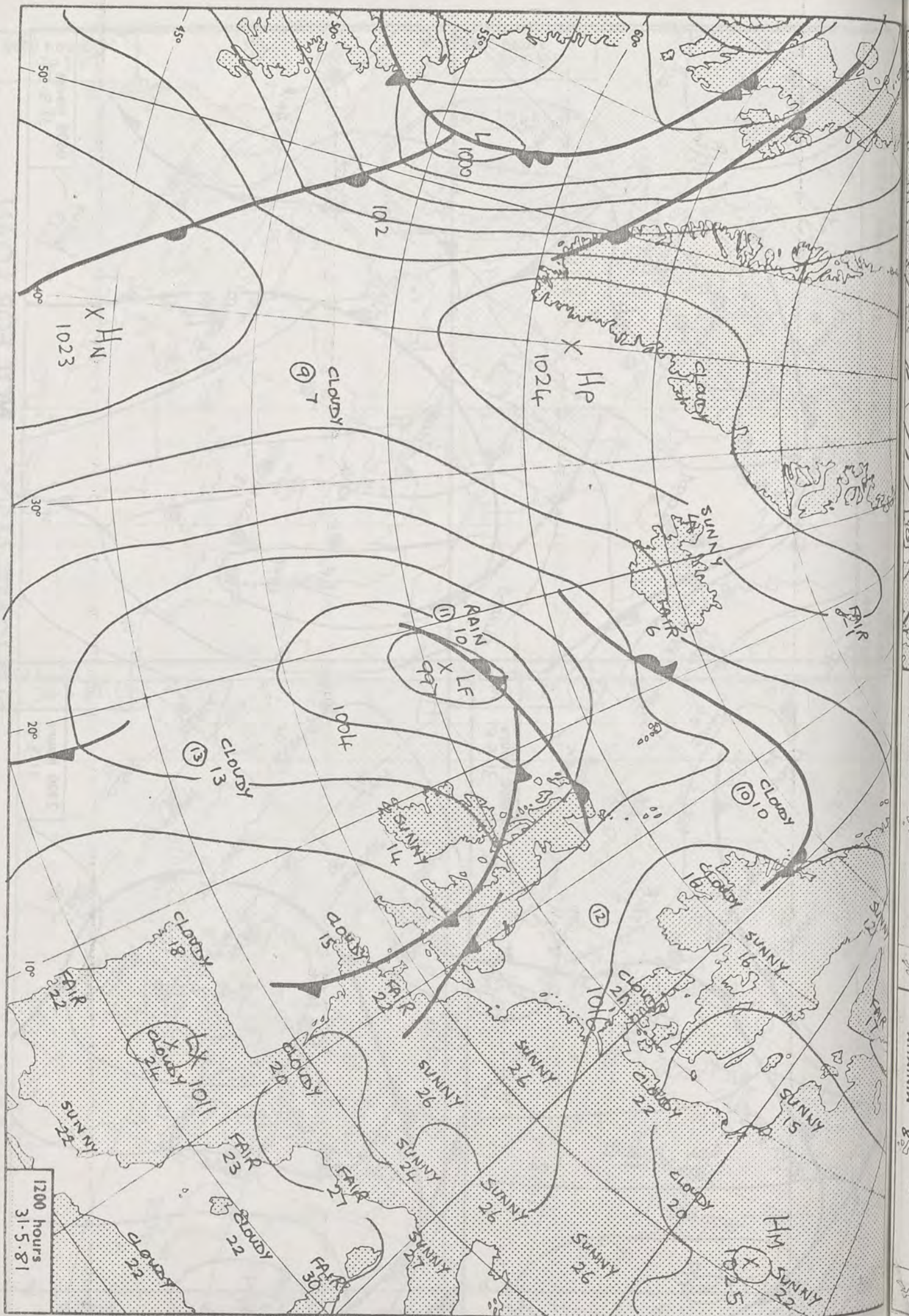


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15 MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES

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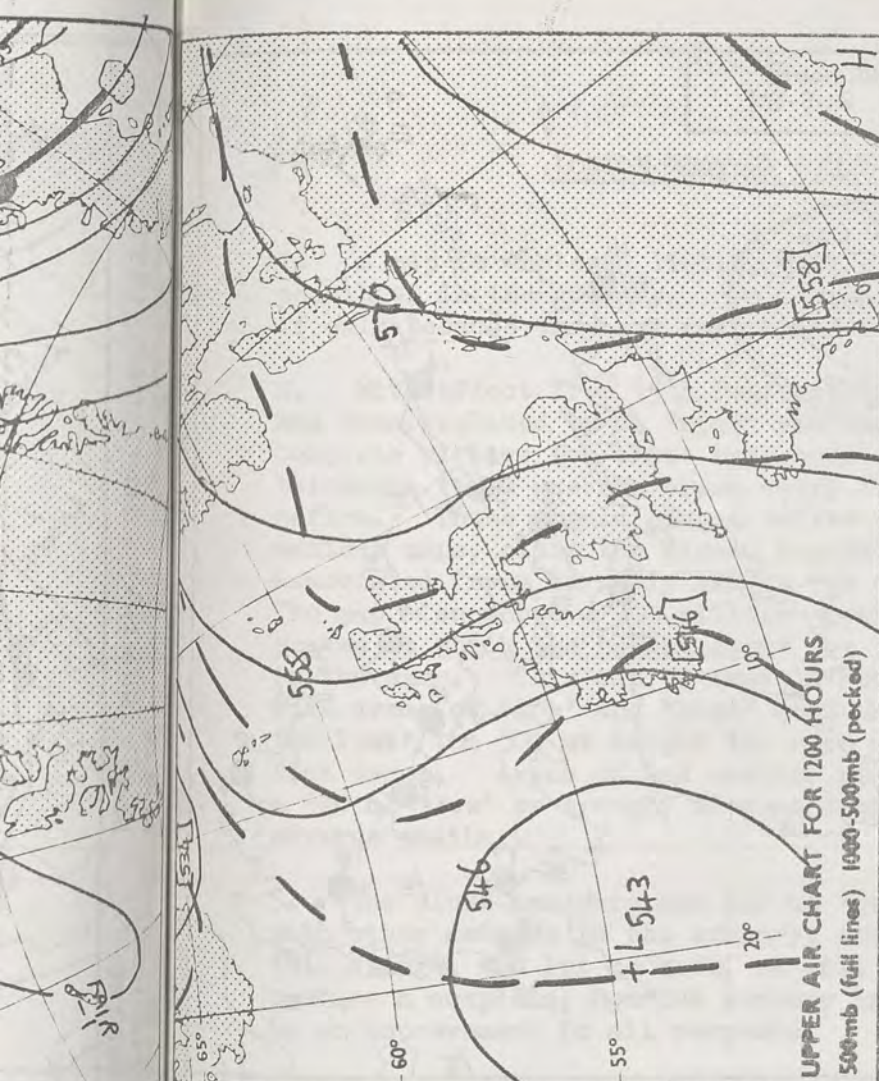
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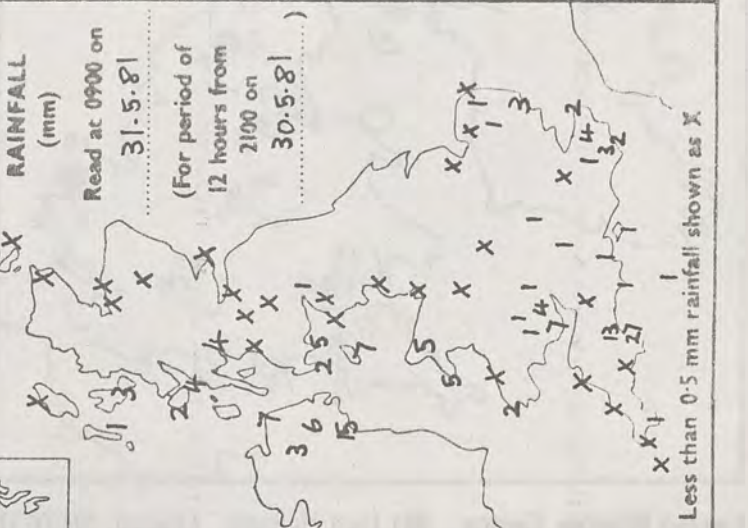
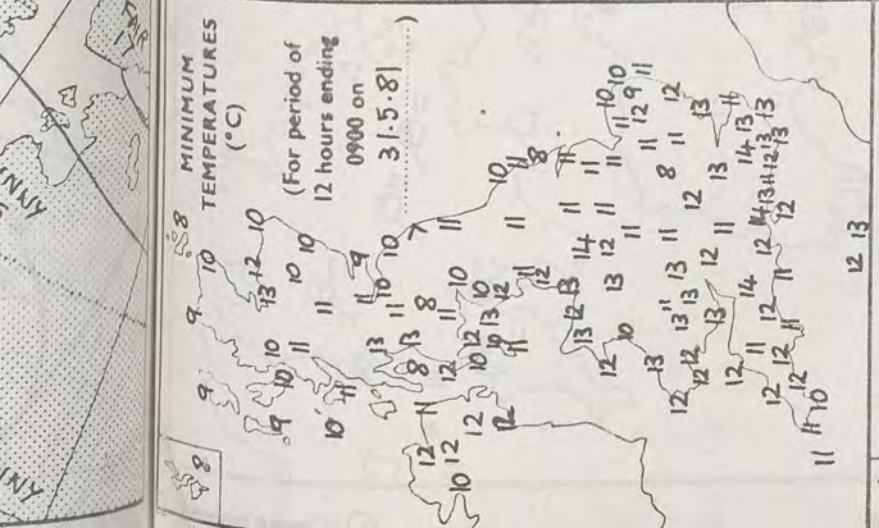
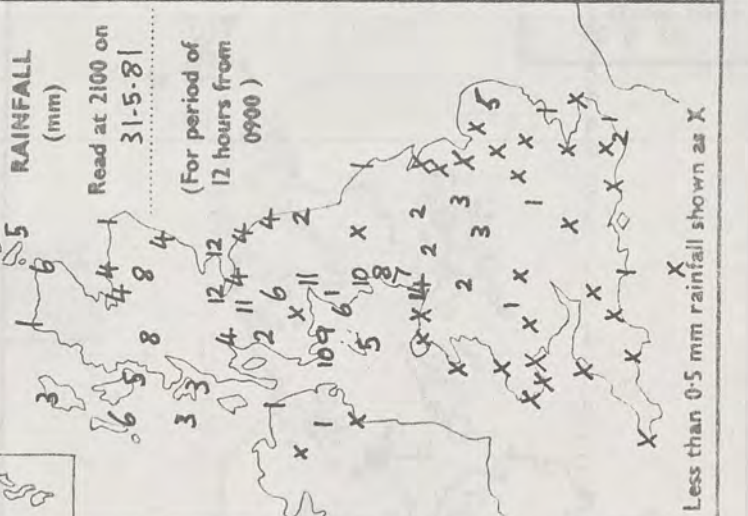
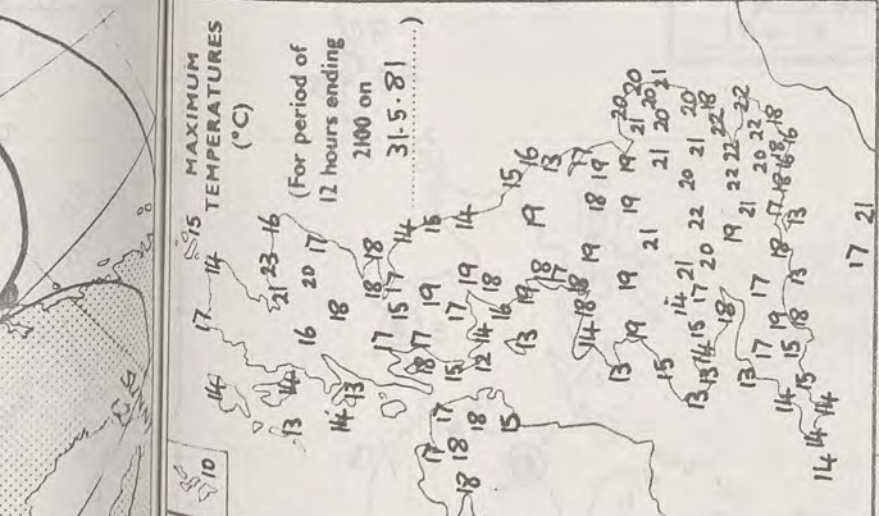
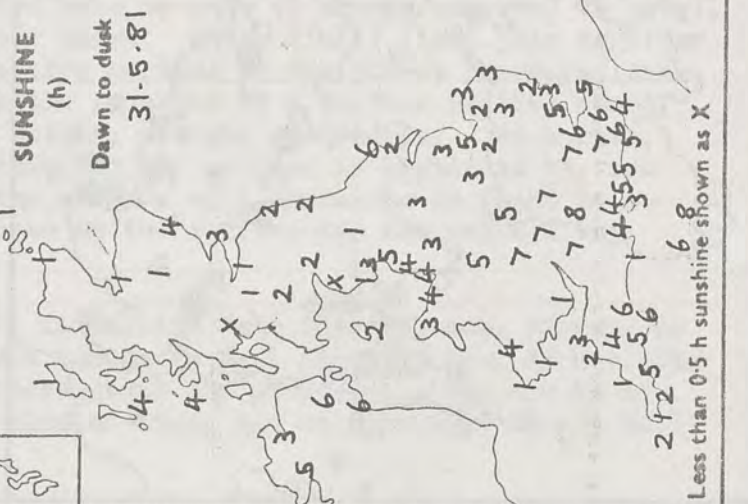
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SUMMARY OF BRITISH WEATHER

The day started cloudy with extensive hill and coastal fog. After overnight thunderstorms in southwest Britain, a large area of rain extended from Western Scotland to Northern Ireland, Northwest England, Wales and central southern England. During the morning it moved northeast to clear most of southern England, Wales and Northern Ireland and it was a very warm, mainly dry afternoon with sunny intervals. The clearer weather reached western Scotland and much of northern England in the afternoon but the far north and northeast of England and eastern Scotland had a wet afternoon with thunder in places before clearing during the evening.



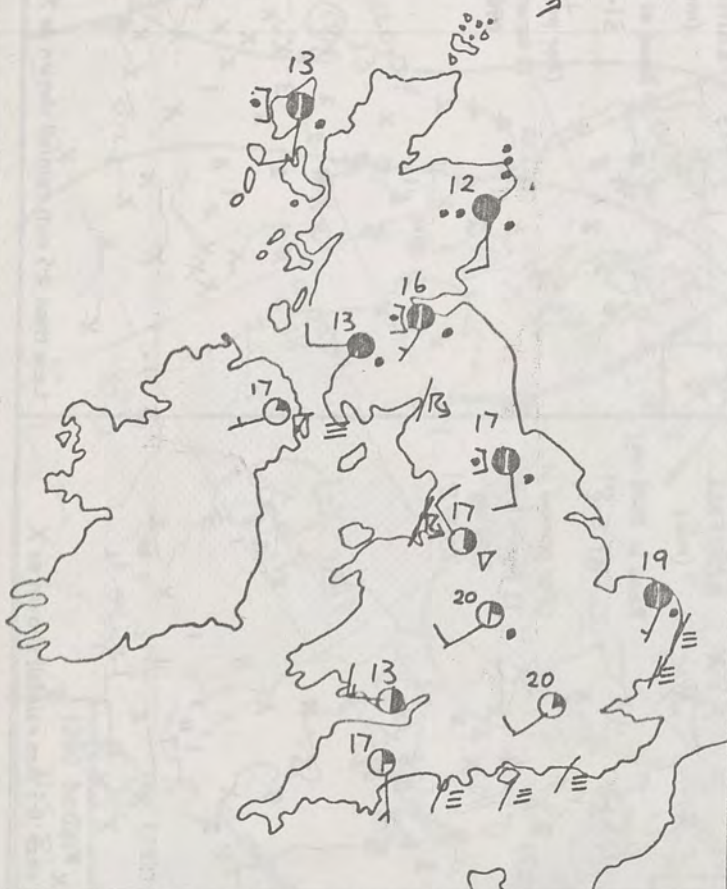
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