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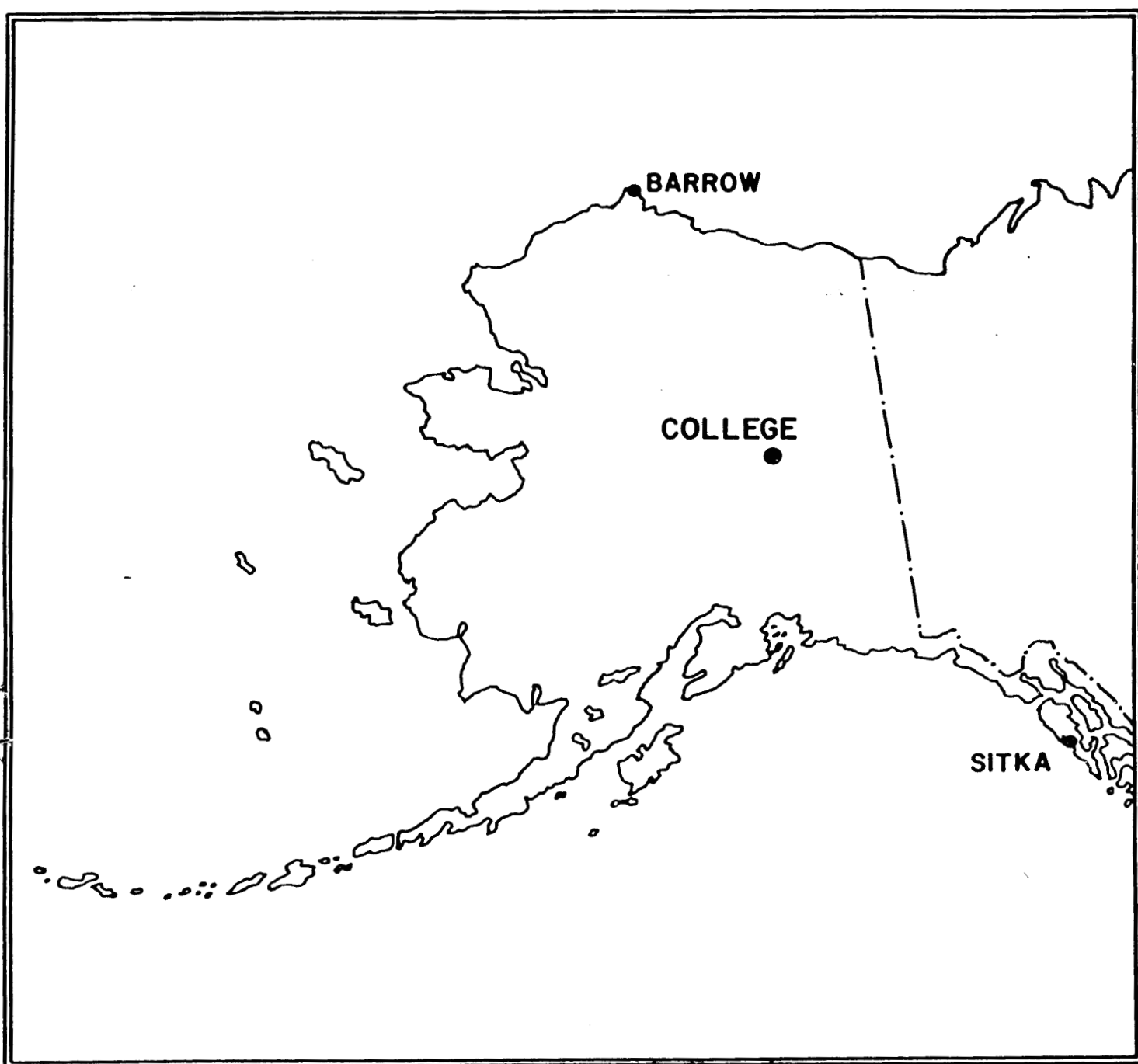
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TECHNICAL DATA FILE

PRELIMINARY GEOMAGNETIC DATA COLLEGE OBSERVATORY FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

JUNE 1978

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COLLEGE OBSERVATORY PRELIMINARY GEOMAGNETIC DATA

INTRODUCTION

The preliminary geomagnetic data included here is made available to scientific personnel and organizations, as part of a cooperative effort and on a data exchange basis because of the early need by some users. To avoid delay, all of the data is copied from original forms processed at the observatory; therefore it should be regarded as preliminary. Inquiries about this report or about the College Observatory should be addressed to:

Chief, College Observatory
U.S. Geological Survey
Yukon Drive on West Ridge
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Requests for copies of the magnetograms except for the current month should be addressed to:

World Data Center A-NOAA
Environmental Data Service
Boulder, Colorado 80302

Normal, Storm, and Rapid Run magnetograms and appropriate calibration data are processed daily at the observatory and are available for analysis or copying. Also available are mean hourly scalings, K-indices, selected magnetic phenomena reports, and on a real-time basis are recordings from a 3-component fluxgate magnetometer and F-component proton magnetometer.

Magnetic Activity

The K-Index. The K-Index is a logarithmic measurement of the range of the most disturbed component (D or H) of the geomagnetic field for eight intervals beginning 0000-0300, 0300-0600...2100-2400 UT. It is a measure of the difference between the highest and lowest deviation from a smooth curve to be expected for a component on a magnetically quiet day, within a three hour interval.

The Equivalent Daily Amplitude, AK. The K-Index is converted into an equivalent range, ak, which is near the center of the limiting gamma ranges for a given K. The average of the eight values is called equivalent daily amplitude AK. The unit 10γ has been chosen so as not to give the illusion of an accuracy not justified.

The schedule for converting gamma range to K, and K to ak is as follows:

Gamma Range	K - Index	ak*
0 < 25	0	0
25 < 50	1	3
50 < 100	2	7
100 < 200	3	15
200 < 350	4	27
350 < 600	5	48
600 < 1000	6	80
1000 < 1650	7	140
1650 < 2500	8	240
2500+	9	400 (10γ)

The Magnetic Daily Character Figure, C. To each Universal day a character is assigned on the basis C=0, if it is quiet; C=1 if it is moderately disturbed; C=2 if it is greatly disturbed. The method used to assign characters at the College Observatory is based on AK as follows:

AK Range	C
0 ≈ 11	0
11 ≈ 50	1
50+	2

Routine assignment of C was discontinued at College on January 1, 1976.

OBSERVATORY LOCATION

The College Observatory, operated by the U. S. Geological Survey, is located at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska. It is near the Auroral Zone and the northern limit of the world's greatest earthquake belt, the circum-Pacific Seismic belt. Although the observatory's basic operation is in geomagnetism and seismology, it cooperates with other scientists and organizations in areas where the facility and personnel can be of service.

The observatory is one of three operated by the USGS in Alaska. The others are located at Barrow and Sitka.

The position of the observatory site is:

Geographic latitude.....64°51.6'N
Geographic longitude.....147°50.2'W
Geomagnetic latitude.....+64.6°
Geomagnetic longitude.....+256.5°
Elevation.....200 meters

GEOMAGNETIC DATA

Selected Phenomena & Outstanding Magnetic Effects

Prior to January 1, 1976, the Normal & Rapid Run records were reviewed at the observatory for selected magnetic phenomena and the events identified were forwarded to the IUGG Commission on Magnetic Variations and Disturbances. This was discontinued on January 1, 1976, but a report on Outstanding Magnetic Effects is prepared monthly for this report.

Principal Magnetic Storms

Gradual and sudden commencement magnetic disturbances with at least one K-Index of 5 or greater, which are believed to be part of a world-wide disturbance, are classified as principal magnetic storms. The time of the storm beginning and ending; direction and amplitude of sudden commencements; period of maximum activity; and storm range are reported. Monthly reports of these data are forwarded to the World Data Center A in Boulder, Colorado.

Magnetogram Hourly Scalings

Magnetogram hourly scalings are averages for successive periods of one hour for the D, H, and Z elements. The value in the column headed "01" is the average for the hour beginning 0000 and ending 0100. Note that the values on the scaling sheets are in tenths of mm with the decimal point omitted. The user of these scalings should keep in mind that the tabular values are hourly means and if he is interested in the detailed morphology of the magnetic field, he should refer directly to the magnetograms.

Magnetograms

The normal magnetograms in this report are reproduced at about one-third the size of the originals. Preliminary base-line values and scale values adopted for use with the original magnetograms are included. For days when the magnetic field is too disturbed for the Normal magnetogram to be readable, Storm magnetograms are reproduced.

Absolutes, Base-lines, and Scale Values

To determine the absolute value of the magnetic field from the hourly means or from point scalings the following equations should be used:

$D = B_D + d \cdot S_D$; $H = B_H + h \cdot S_H$; $Z = B_Z + z \cdot S_Z$
where D, H, and Z are absolute values;
 B_D , B_H and B_Z are base-line values;
 S_D , S_H and S_Z are scale values;
and d, h, and z are scalings in millimeters.

COLLEGE, ALASKA

MAGNETIC ACTIVITY

(Greenwich civil time, counted from midnight to midnight)

MONTH AND YEAR

JUNE 1978

DATE	K-INDICES									AK	TIME SCALE ON MAGNETOGRAMS
	00-03	03-06	06-09	09-12	12-15	15-18	18-21	21-24	SUM		
1	2	2	3	3	1	2	2	3	18	10	SUDDEN COMMENCEMENTS d h m
2	2	2	4	7	5	6	7	4	37	60	
3	5	6	3	5	3	2	3	1	28	29	
4	3	3	2	4	6	3	3	4	28	25	
5	5	6	6	4	3	2	3	2	31	35	
6	2	1	2	4	3	1	1	2	16	09	
7	3	3	3	4	2	2	2	2	21	13	
8	3	4	3	0	2	3	2	1	18	11	
9	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	06	02	
10	2	1	3	5	4	3	2	3	23	17	
11	5	4	5	6	3	1	1	2	27	29	POSSIBLE SOLAR-FLARE EFFECTS BASED ON INSPECTION OF GRAMS ALONE (WITHOUT REFERENCE TO DATA FROM OTHER SOURCES)
12	1	3	1	5	5	3	2	1	21	18	
13	1	2	2	5	4	2	1	1	18	13	
14	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	07	03	
15	2	3	5	4	3	3	1	1	22	17	
16	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	14	06	
17	2	3	2	5	2	2	2	2	20	13	
18	2	2	3	5	5	3	2	1	23	19	
19	3	3	3	5	3	3	3	3	26	19	
20	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	21	12	
21	5	4	4	6	5	5	3	3	35	39	BEGIN
22	4	4	2	4	4	4	2	1	25	19	
23	4	2	3	4	3	4	2	3	25	18	END
24	4	4	5	4	5	3	2	2	29	26	
25	3	3	5	4	4	3	4	3	29	24	d h m
26	4	5	5	5	4	6	6	3	38	47	
27	4	3	4	3	3	2	2	2	23	15	d h m
28	3	3	2	4	4	5	2	2	25	19	
29	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	24	18	d h m
30	3	4	5	5	4	3	4	1	29	26	
31											

K SCALE USED:

LOWER LIMIT FOR K = 9.....

CURRENT SCALE VALUE.....

LOWER LIMIT FOR K = 9.....

D

683.8

3.75

2560

H

321.7

7.80

2510

Z

(mm)

(γ/mm)

(to nearest 10γ)

SCALINGS AND COMPUTATIONS HAVE BEEN CHECKED.

APPROVED JOHN B. TOWNSHEND, CHIEF, COLLEGE OBSERVATORY

OBSERVER IN CHARGE

OUTSTANDING MAGNETIC EFFECTS			OBSERVATORY COLLEGE, ALASKA	
			MONTH JUNE	YEAR 1978
DATE	TIME U.T.	NATURE OF PHENOMENON ¹	REMARKS	
01	2143	ssc*		
09	11XX	pi2		
10	0842	ssc		
16	11XX	pi2		
IDENTIFIED BY: JEP			VERIFIED BY: JBT	

1. NATURE OF PHENOMENON: ssc, ssc*, si, si*, b, bp, bs, bps, pc1, pc2 - - - pc5, pg, pi 1, pi 2, sfe.

PRINCIPAL MAGNETIC STORMS
Data from Individual Observatories: COLLEGE OBSERVATORY, COLLEGE, ALASKA

JUNE 1978

WDC-A FOR SOLAR-TERRRESTRIAL PHYSICS
ENVIRONMENTAL DATA SERVICE, NOAA
BOULDER, COLORADO 80502 U.S.A.

Obs. 2 letter IAOA code	Geomag. lat.	Commencement			SC - amplitudes			Max. 3 hr - Index K			Ranges			UT End	
		day	hr min (UT)	type	D(')	H(Y)	Z(Y)	day	(3 hr - period)	K	D(')	H(Y)	Z(Y)	day	hr
CO	64.6 N	01	2143	s.c.*	+17	-56	+14	02	4, 7	7	248	1790	990	03	12
		04	23XX	..	..	..	..	05	2, 3	6	148	880	760	05	13
		10	0842	s.c.*	-8	+150	-22	11	4	6	69	920	340	11	12
		26	04XX	..	..	..	..	26	6, 7	6	245	1410	820	26	20
		29	20XX	..	..	..	..	29 30	8 3, 4	5 5	132	920	490	30	20

NORMAL MAGNETOGRAPH					
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION		
	FROM	TO	SCALE VALUE		BASELINE
D	0000 U.T., 6-1-78	2400 U.T., 6-30-78	1.0/mm	3.88/mm	27° 47.1 E
H	0000 U.T., 6-1-78	2400 U.T., 6-30-78	7.88/mm		127638
Z	0000 U.T., 6-1-78	2400 U.T., 6-30-78	7.88/mm		551188

STORM MAGNETOGRAPH					
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION		
	FROM	TO	SCALE VALUE		BASELINE
D	0000 U.T., 6-1-78	2400 U.T., 6-30-78	7.9/mm	29.78/mm	24° 18.9 E
H	0000 U.T., 6-1-78	2400 U.T., 6-30-78	44.1		115208
Z	0000 U.T., 6-1-78	2400 U.T., 6-30-78	48.8		540198

RAPID RUN MAGNETOGRAPH				
COMPONENT	PERIOD		CALIBRATION	
	FROM	TO	SCALE	VALUE
D	RAPID RUN MAGNETOGRAPH DISCONTINUED		1800 U.T., 4-1-78	
H				
Z				

MONTHLY MEAN ABSOLUTE VALUES*					
D	H		Z		
28° 14.1 E	130478		553818		

* COMPUTED FROM TEN QUIETEST DAYS DURING MONTH.

DAYS USED: JUN 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 16, 17, 20

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_____ universal day.

	19	20	21	22	23	24	SUM
7	370	354	357	336	349	329	9011
8	219*	48*	369	399	437	392	6998
9	292	274	363	350	339	335	6550
10	331	324	296	251	344	480	7677
11	379	367	349	341	334	359	10069
12	348	339	321	309	329	341	8195
13	256	261	307	316	317	359	8471
14	340	356	340	326	316	320	89768
15	368	340	311	300	313	337	8708
16	309	323	322	317	363	321	8368
17	410	391	367	361	324	341	9462
18	350	380	381	331	330	325	7463
19	379	351	344	333	340	339	8348
20	351	348	339	341	359	351	8650
21	389	376	350	351	351	356	8807
22	370	352	340	339	353	359	9026
23	379	379	399	371	344	353	9023
24	381	386	359	346	350	342	8298
25	328	370	361	336	356	401	8930
26	319	301	330	320	340	370	9077
27	253	307	290	298	341	403	9266
28	353	356	356	346	343	353	8583
29	271	298	304	303	379	451	8243
30	333	326	335	324	340	376	9428
31	271	402	359	350	331	279	8076
32	170*	270	360	306	384	400	6438
33	329	319	365	364	331	360	9164
34	368	379	370	369	320	330	7940
35	373	347	336	188	256	429	8950
36	221	303	394	373	359	370	7390

[illegible]

Swelling and effusion decreased of magnetic storm.	MONTHLY SUM	23300
Record all about for sum	MONTHLY MEAN	355

Swelling and effusion because of magnetic storm.	MONTHLY SUM	233007
(2) Record all sheets for same	MONTHLY MEAN	355

<input type="checkbox"/> Scaling macerola because of magnetic storm.	MONTHLY SUM	255607
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<> Record off sheet for part or all of hour; if value is given, curve was estimated for missing part.	MONTHLY MEAN	355
	DAYS WITH GAPS:	

Dr. converted to Roman | Wash.

	NOV 2 1960	7556
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<> Record off sheet for part

or all of hour; if value is given, curve was estimated for missing part.

Dr. converted to Roman | Wash.

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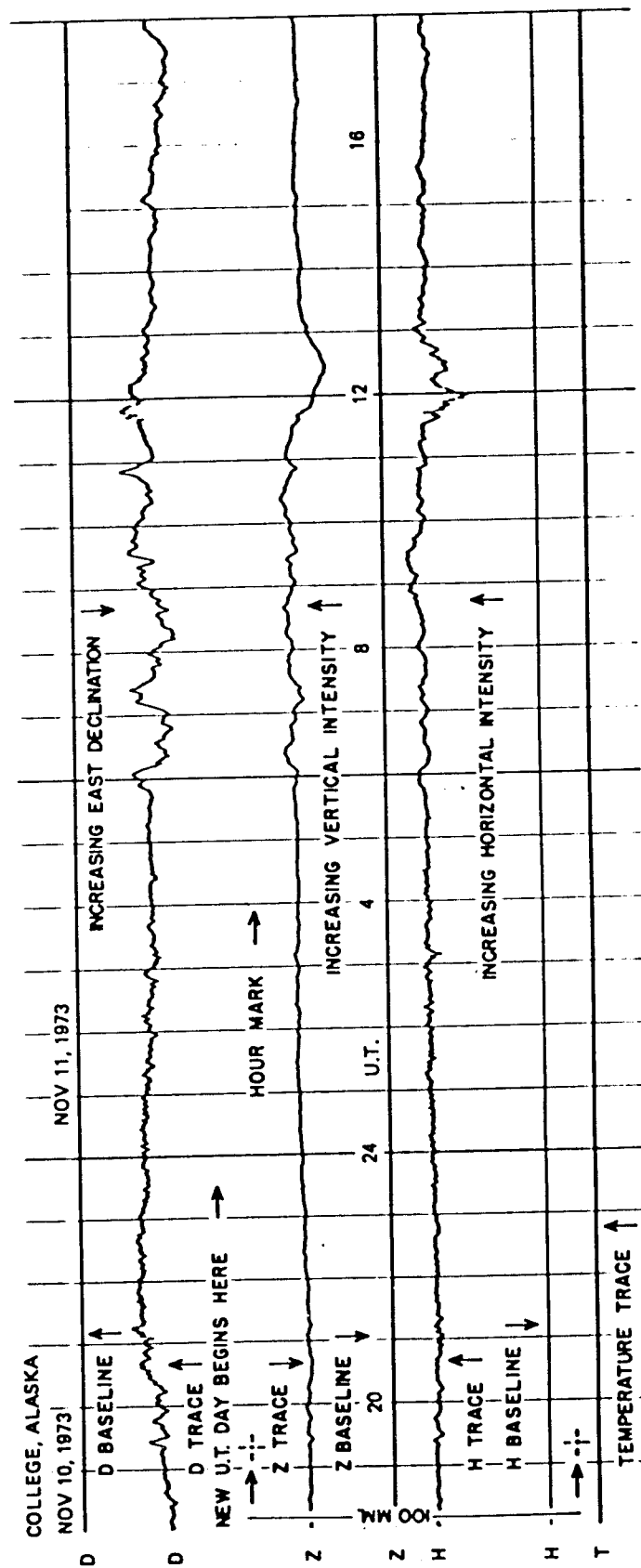
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NOAA FORM 76-106 (3-73)															MAGNETOGRAM HOURLY SCALINGS (UNIVERSAL TIME)															U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION		OBSV.	YEAR	MONTH	ELE- MENT
Values are in tenths of mm. and are averages for successive periods of one hour beginning at midnight. Hour 01 of local day (1500 M.T.) is hour 11 of the same universal day. Shrinkage corrections have been applied. Negative values are in red, with minus sign shown.																														CO	78	JUN	2		
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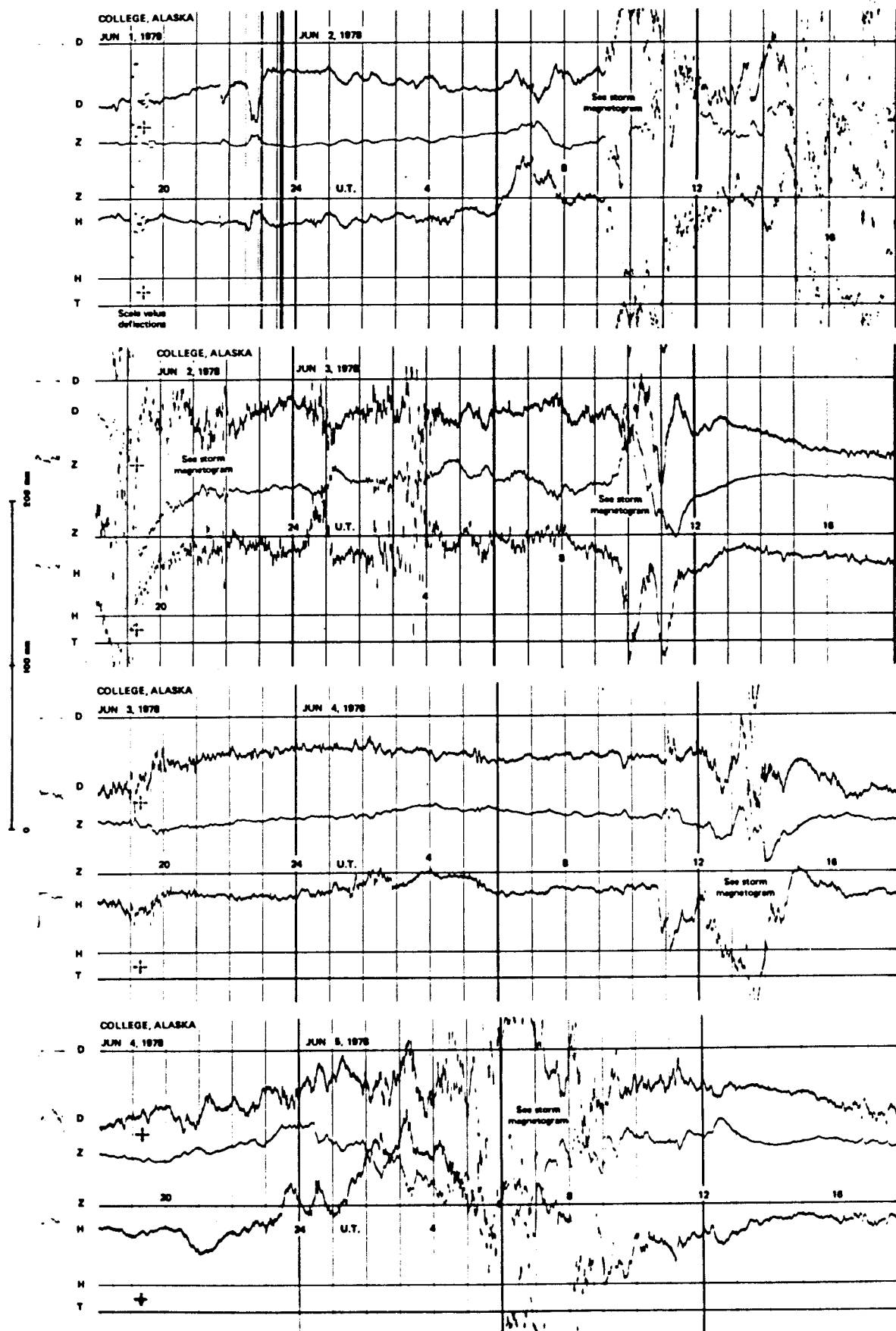
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FORMAT FOR NORMAL & STORM MAGNETOGRAMS (SAMPLE ONLY)

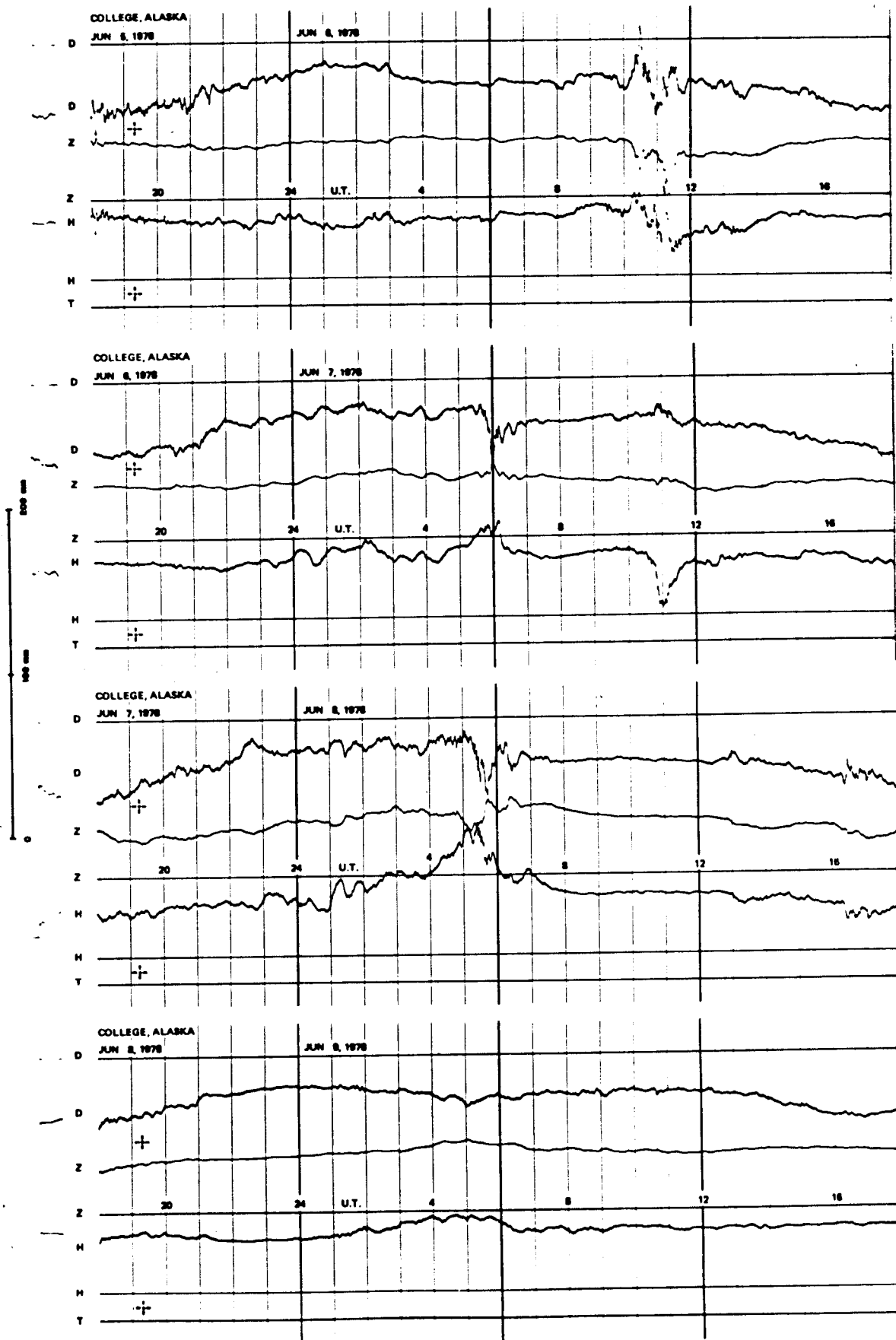


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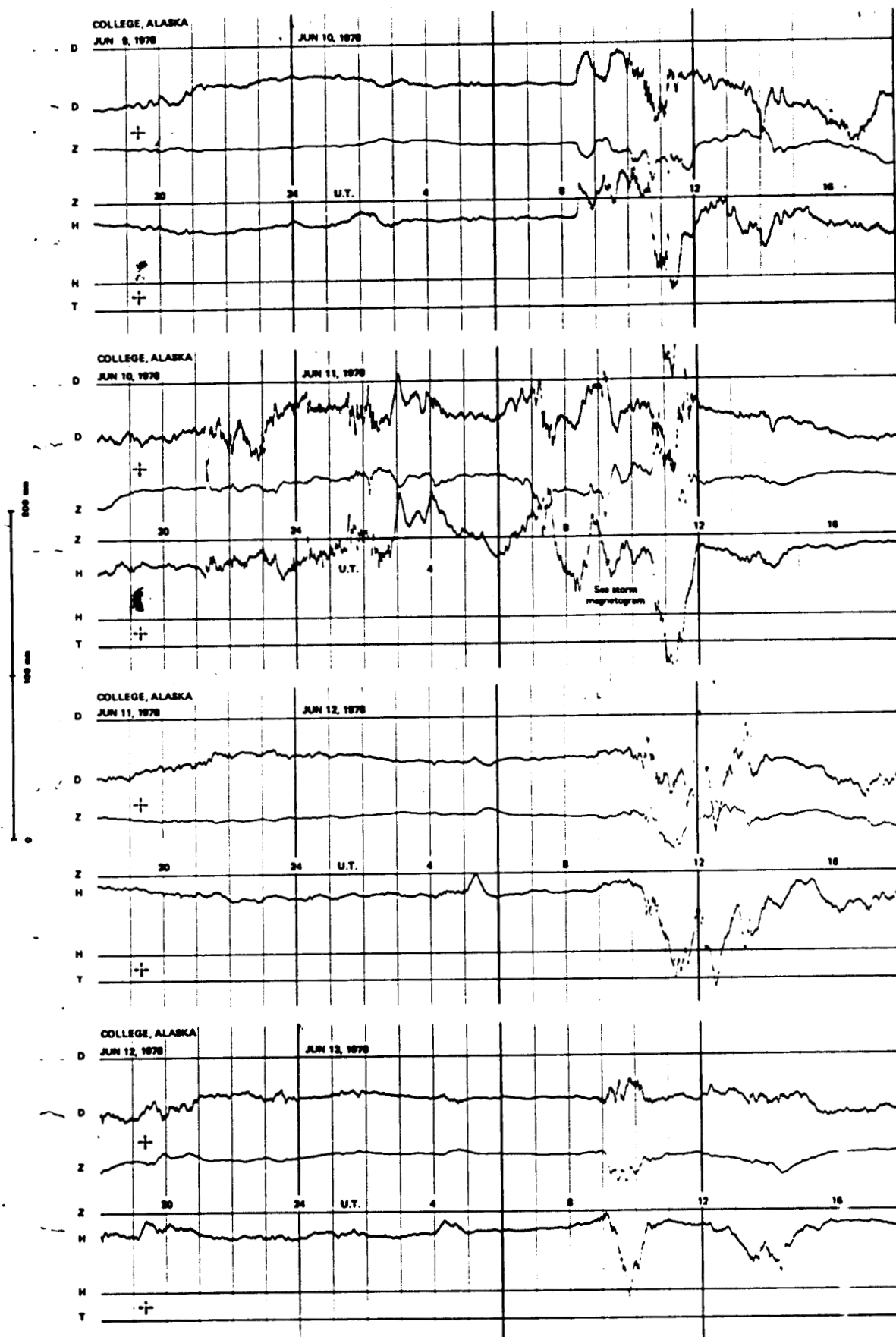
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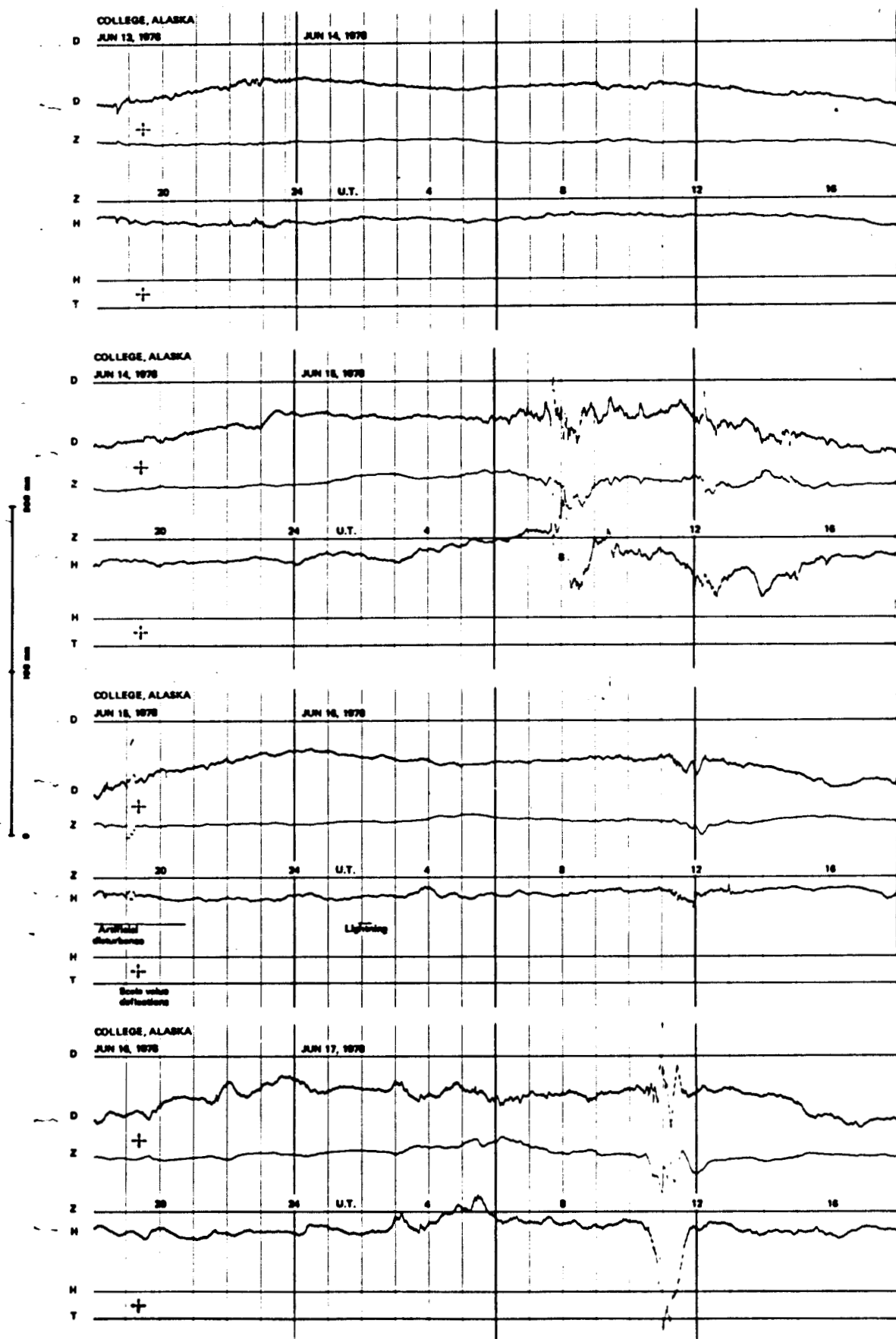
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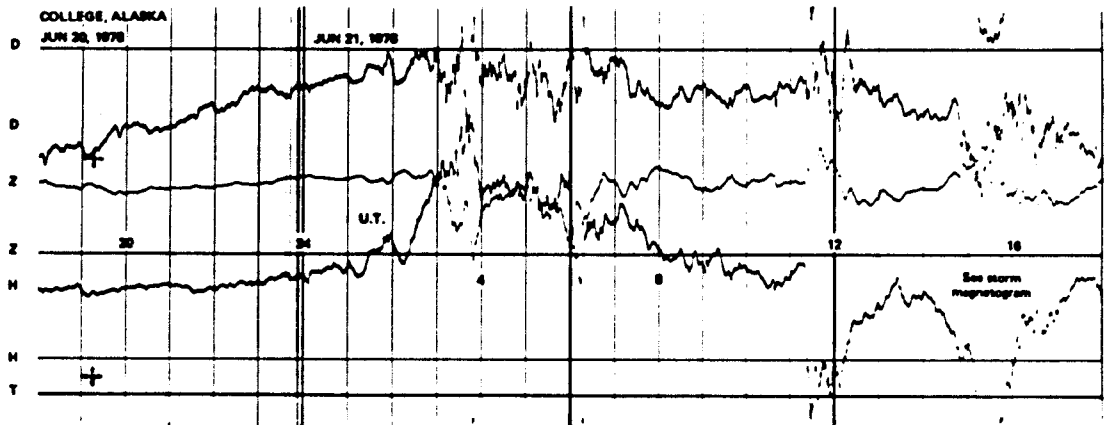
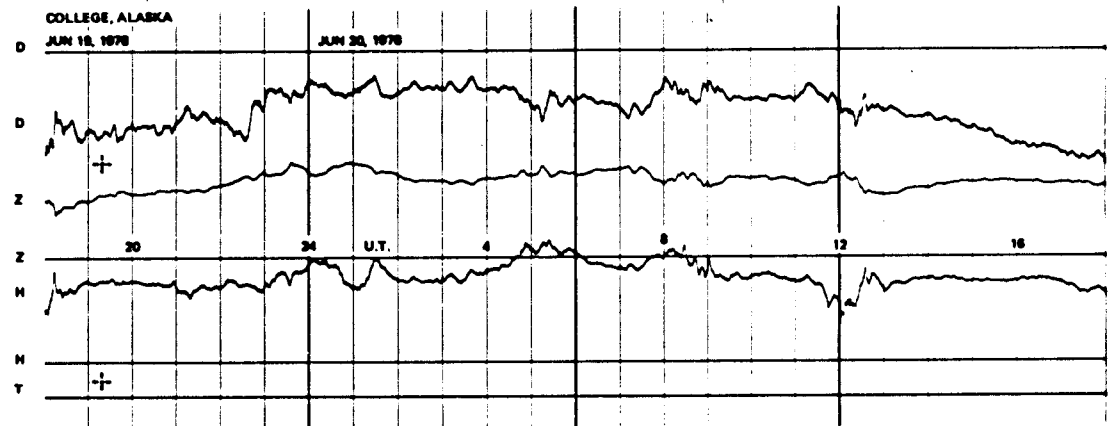
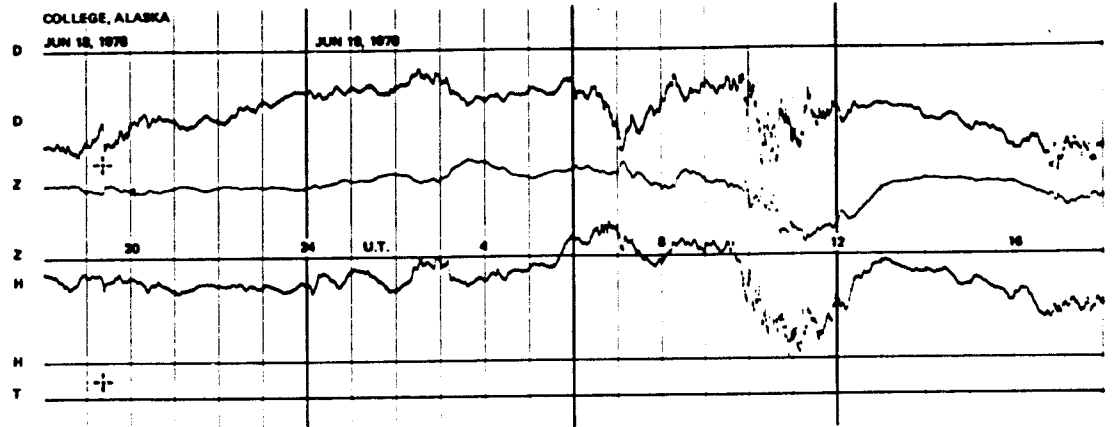
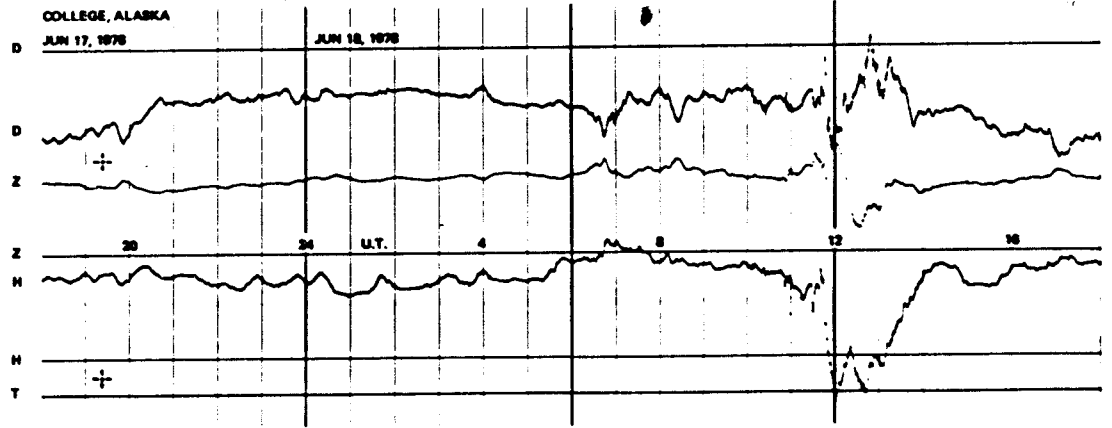
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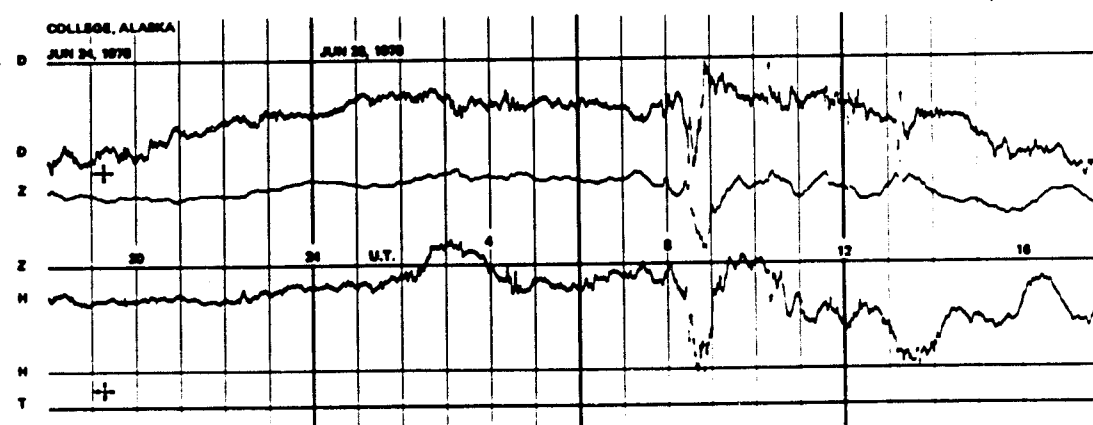
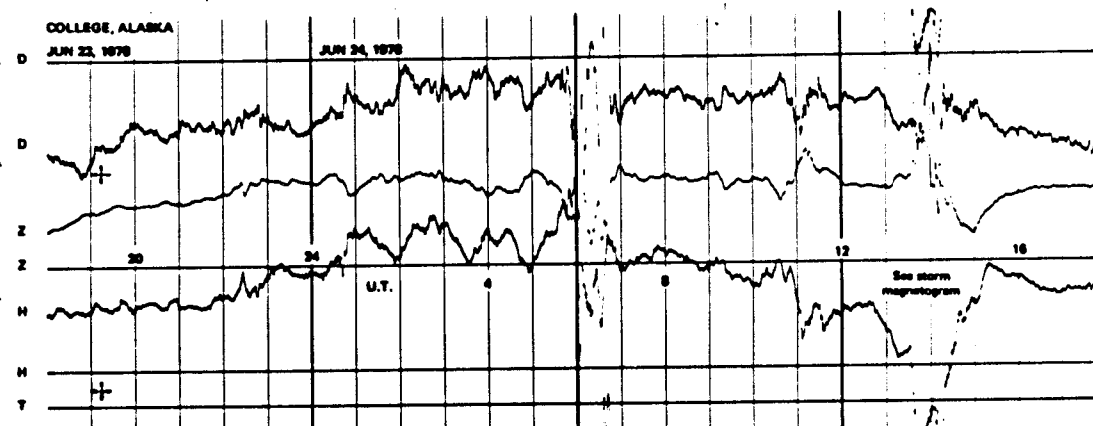
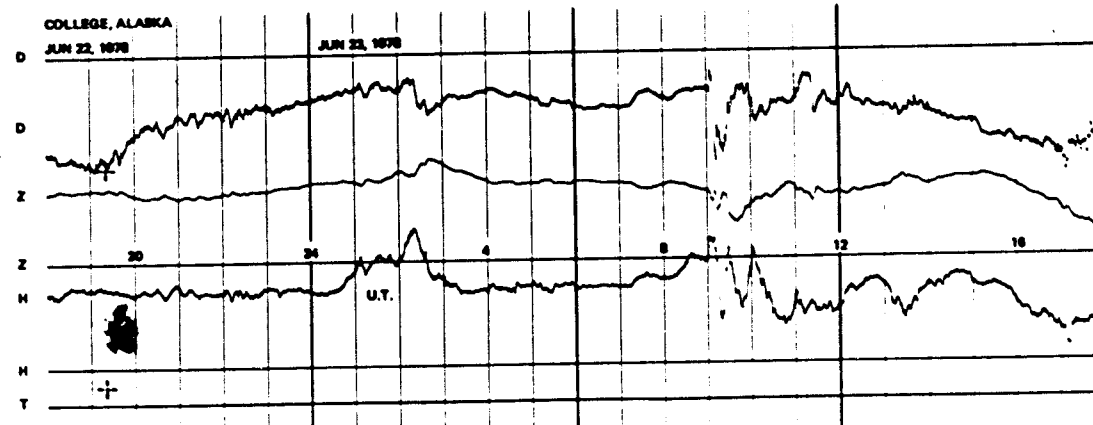
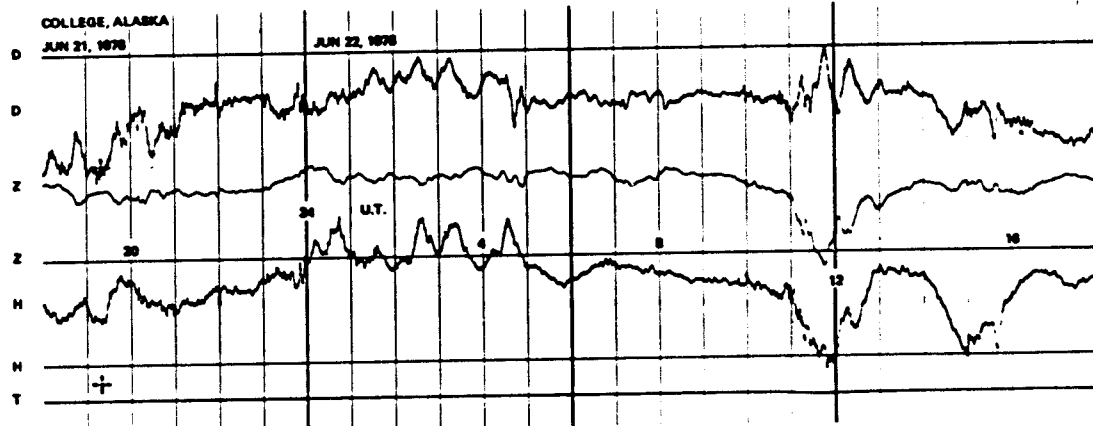
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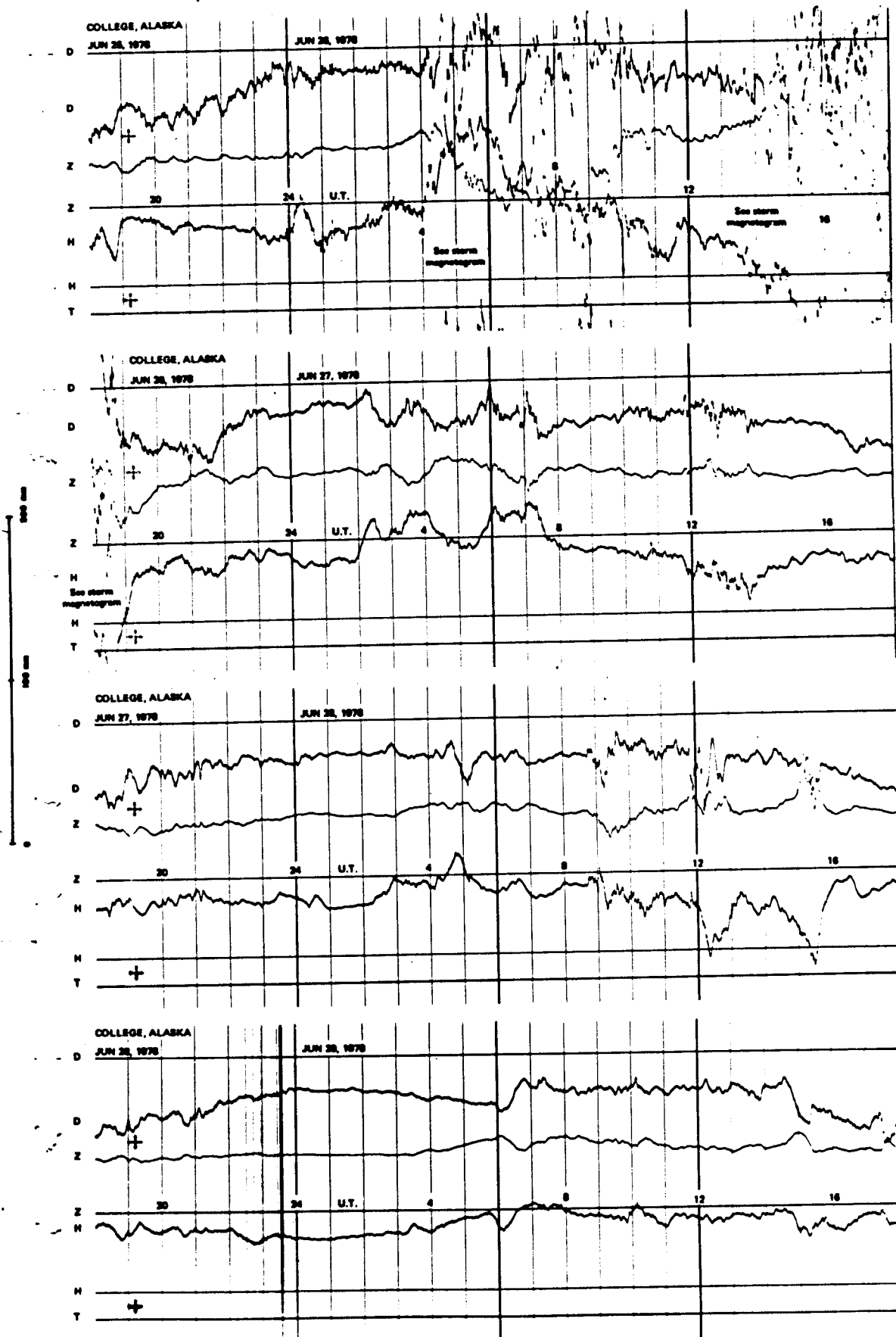
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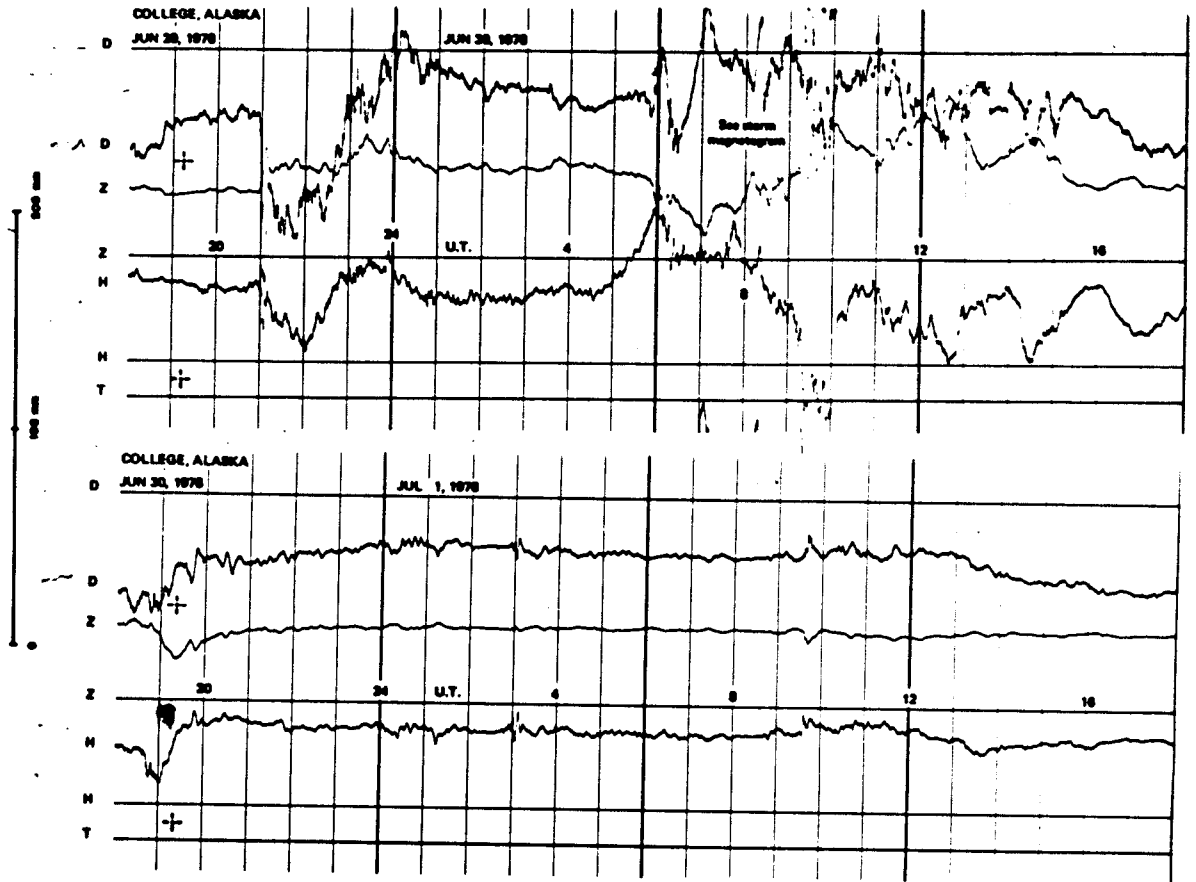
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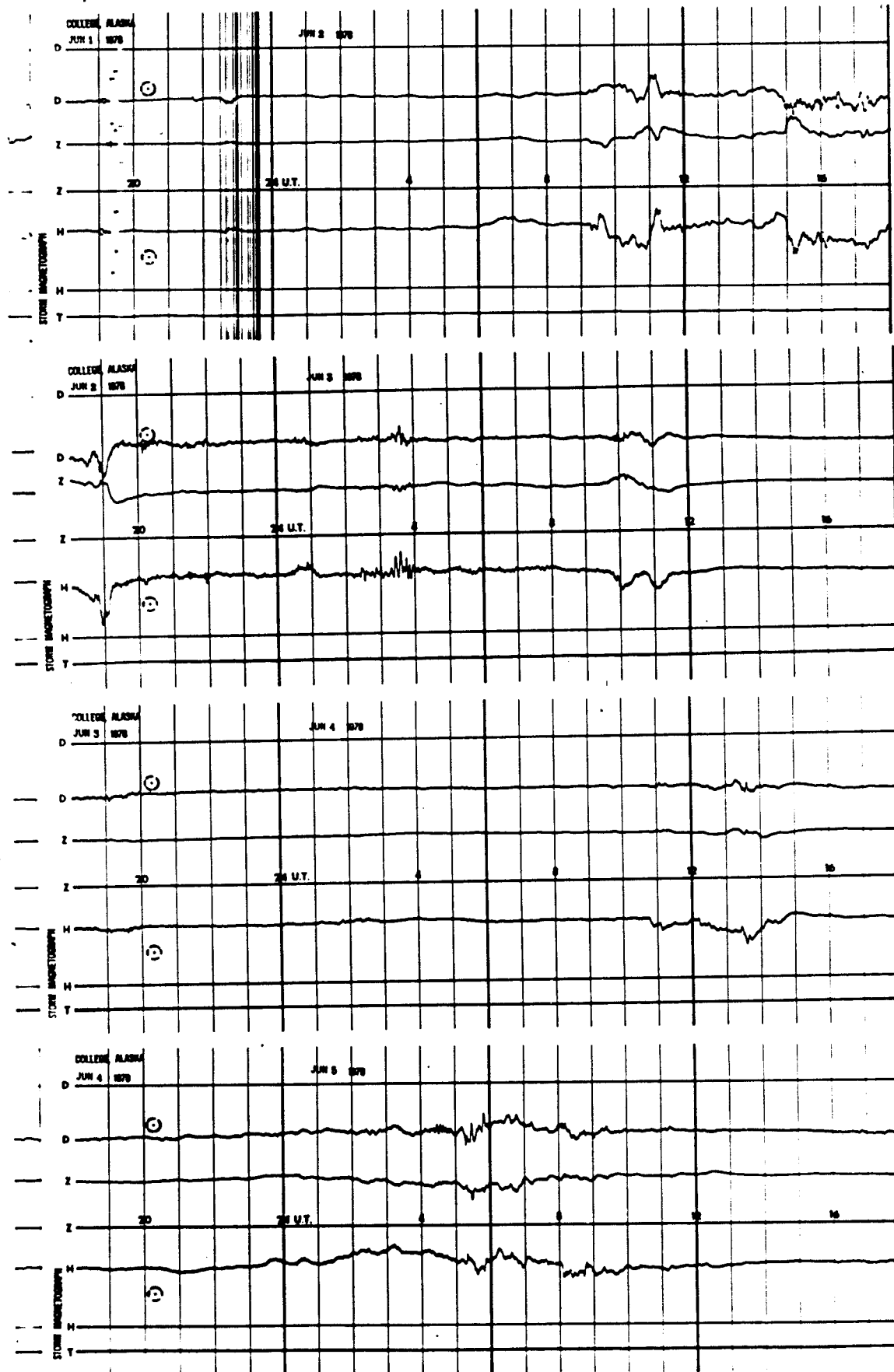
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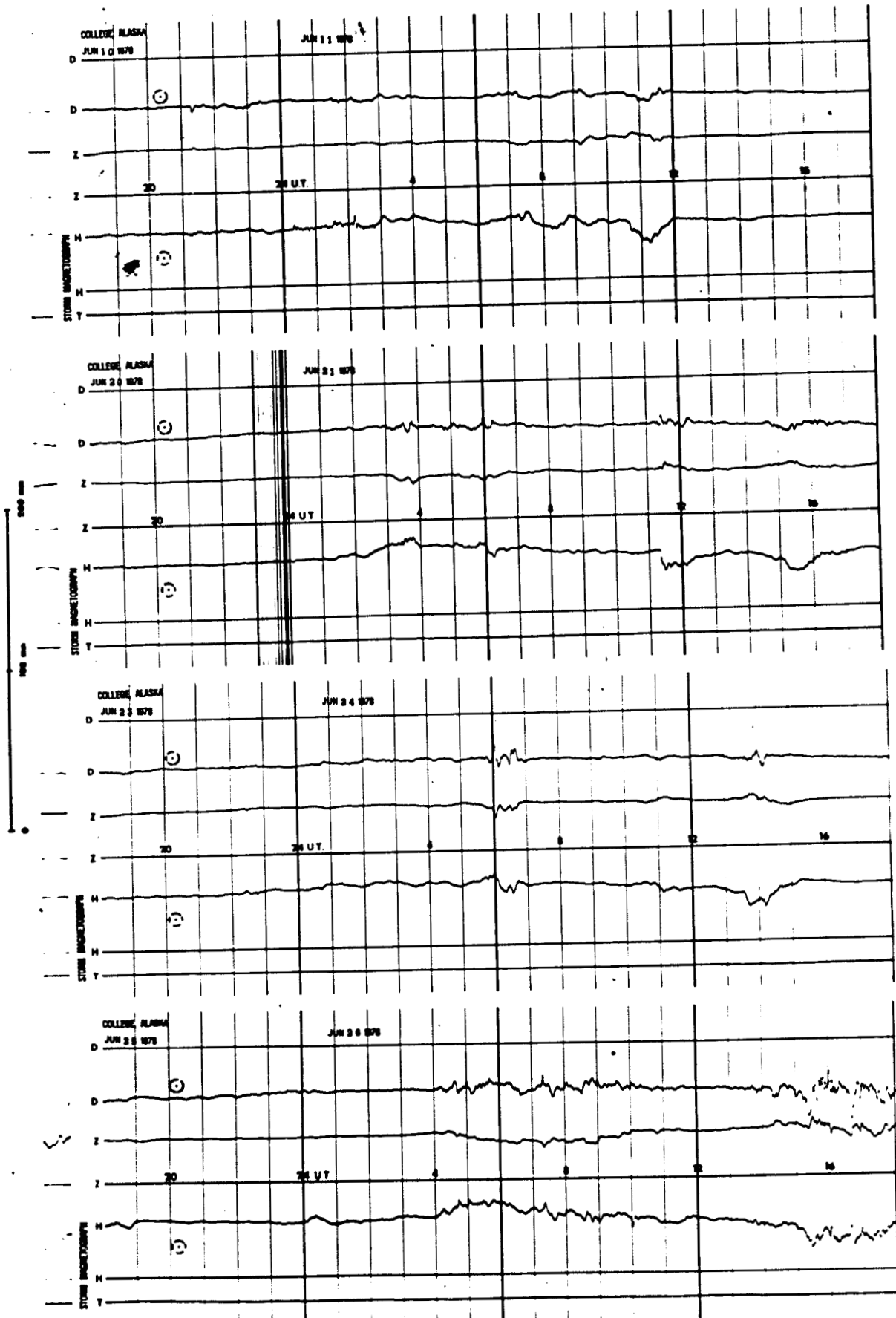
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