

Summary Sheet

IDTO - ID Number :692603
 AUTH - Report Author :
 TYFU - Tornado Type & Fuji Code :b2
 TITL - Report Title or Location :Petrolia
 PROV - Province :Ontario
 COUN - Counties :Lambton
 REFS - References :The Globe September
 25, 1926
 ZOTO - Touchdown Zone Number & Easting :17405000
 NOTO - Touchdown Northing :4756400
 LOVA - Touchdown Error Value & Code :1400o
 DADA - Date of Data Entry :20/07/1990
 ZOLO - Liftoff Zone Number & Easting :17407000
 NOLO - Liftoff Northing :4744000
 UPVA - Liftoff Error Value & Code :1500o
 DEAD - Number of Fatalities :
 HURT - Number of People Injured :
 HERT - Injuries Code :
 DATA - Date of Tornado :24/09/1926
 DAVA - Date Error Value & Code :
 TITO - Time of Tornado :1500
 TIMR - Time Meridian :75
 TIVA - Time Error Value & Code :104s
 AXDA - Maximum Path Width :
 AXVA - Max. Path Width Error & Code :
 AVDA - Average Damage Width :
 AVVA - Avg. Damage Width Error & Code :
 SADA - Sample Damage Width :
 SAVA - Sample Damage Width Error & Code :
 INTO - Initials :JAM
 DFTO - Detailed Report Flag :n
 JUNK - PRDA & DIMO & DALE : 10
 CODA - Property Damage Code :
 MISC - ORDE,PICS_TYPE,PICS_AVAIL,COCO :1 2
 MANY - Multiple Event Flag :n

MEMO:75 oil derricks flattened, ten barns damaged, 2 houses
 'blown over'.

PHEN - Associated Phenomena :P
 TSHP - Townships :Plympton/Enniskillen

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THE GLOBE, TORONTO, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH. 1926.

STORM DATE, FRI. SEPT. 24TH. 1926.

CYCLONE AT PETROLEA.

PETROLEA, SEPT. 24. Torn loose from the main body of the terrific electrical and wind storm that swept through Ohio yesterday leaving a trail of ruin in its wake, a miniature "twister" struck PETROLEA this afternoon and departed soon afterward, but not before it had left considerable evidence of its visit.

No loss of life or injuries were reported, but property damage resulted estimated at \$10,000. Telephone connection with many points to the south was disrupted. Nearly forty hydro poles were broken and a cessation of power caused for nearly three hours.

The houses of LEN WILSON and MRS. TROWBRIDGE were blown over with the occupants inside. Ten barns were partially wrecked, and the forest of oil derricks, some seventy-five in number, were flattened. Two drilling outfits were badly damaged.

When the storm had spent its fury the main streets were strewn with branches and young trees which the gale had uprooted, and traffic was suspended until the debris was cleared away. The city was shrouded in darkness for an hour before and during the storm, and the streets were veritable rivers in the deluge. It was the worst storm in the history of the town

As far as can be gauged the "twister" started its career of destruction about five miles north of here and was losing its effect as it passed through the outskirts of the town to the south and east.

(Widespread thunderstorms and heavy rains throughout Southern Ontario on this day)