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Earthquake Prediction Research in Taiwan

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Introduction

This report summarizes work under U.S.G.S. Contract #14-08-0001-16895. The purpose of this contract was to provide equipment to Taiwan to assist that country in establishing a program in earthquake prediction and hazards studies. Also, expert assistance was provided for Taiwan's establishment of a routine field program using the equipment.

In carrying out this objective, the following equipment was provided:

1. Two proton precession magnetometers
2. Two LaCoste-Romberg gravimeters
3. One H-P 3808 laser geodimeter
4. Three Kinemetrics PDR-2 field digital event recorders
5. One groundwater radon measuring system

The equipment has been set up in Taiwan under the direction of Dr. Ben Tsai, Director of the Taiwan Earthquake Institute.

Results

Early data analysis is summarized in the following tables and figures.

Table 1 lists the field magnetic stations. Figure 1 is a map showing the locations of the magnetic stations and early data analysis. Each graph indicates the difference between that station and the reference datum (LP-TW). No anomalies have been observed in the one year of data taken thus far.

Figures 2-13 are the raw magnetic data for the months of June 1979-May 1980. Figures 14-24 are the averaged data for each hour of the day for all days of the month for the difference reading LP-TW for the months June 1979 - April 1980. Figures 14a-24a are the averaged readings eliminating all readings greater than 1 standard deviation.

Figure 25 is a map showing springs being monitored for radon anomalies. Table 2 is early data from these sites.

Station Name	Code	MAGNETIC STATIONS		Long.
		Lat.	Long.	
站名	編號	緯度	經度	
崙坪	L P	25-00.0	121-10.0	
竹東	G 0 1	24-39.0	121-05.0	
東勢	G 0 2	24-16.6	120-51.7	
達見	G 0 3	24-15.4	121-10.0	
埔里	G 0 4	23-49.8	120-52.9	
台西	G 0 5	23-40.9	120-09.9	
梅山	G 0 6	23-34.0	120-35.2	
曾文	G 0 7	23-15.5	120-31.0	
密枝	G 0 8	23-12.1	120-30.5	
灣丘	T W	23-11.3	120-31.4	
龜丹	G 0 9	23-07.9	120-30.8	
曾文溪口	G 1 0	23-05.0	120-01.8	
旗山	G 1 1	22-51.0	120-26.7	
枋寮	G 1 2	22-22.1	120-37.0	
恒春	G 1 3	21-56.6	120-48.3	
大武	G 1 4	22-14.5	120-50.9	
台東	G 1 5	22-48.7	121-03.7	
玉里	G 1 6	23-21.2	121-17.8	
花蓮	G 1 7	24-04.4	121-36.2	
天祥	G 1 8	24-12.5	121-28.5	
蘇澳	G 1 9	24-36.6	121-51.4	
內城	G 2 0	24-43.5	121-40.5	
宜蘭	G 2 1	24-46.6	121-48.5	
頭城	G 2 2	24-52.2	121-48.1	

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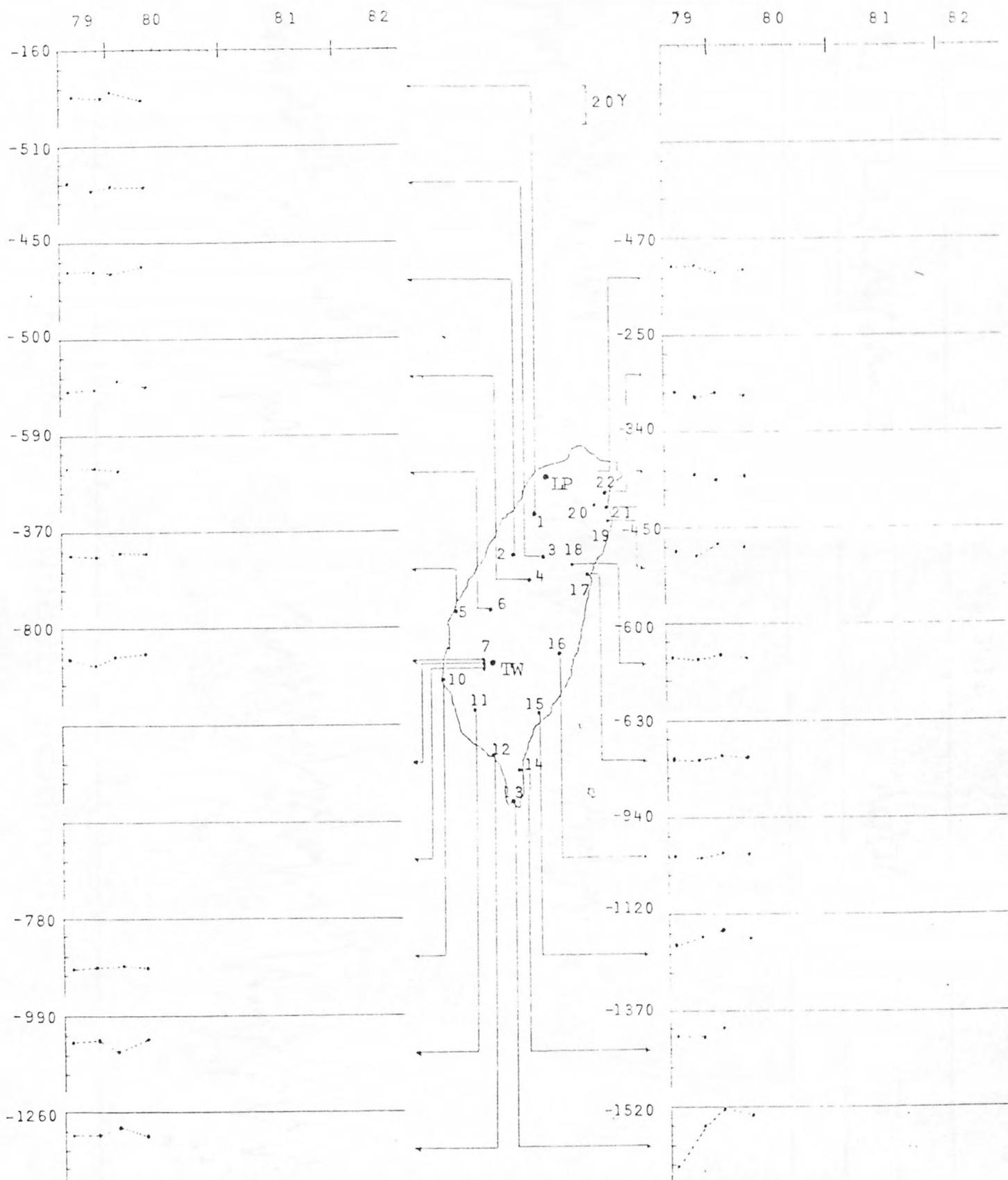


Figure 1. Map of geomagnetic stations in Taiwan; results of early magnetic data readings (scale on y-axis is difference between that station and LP-TW datum).

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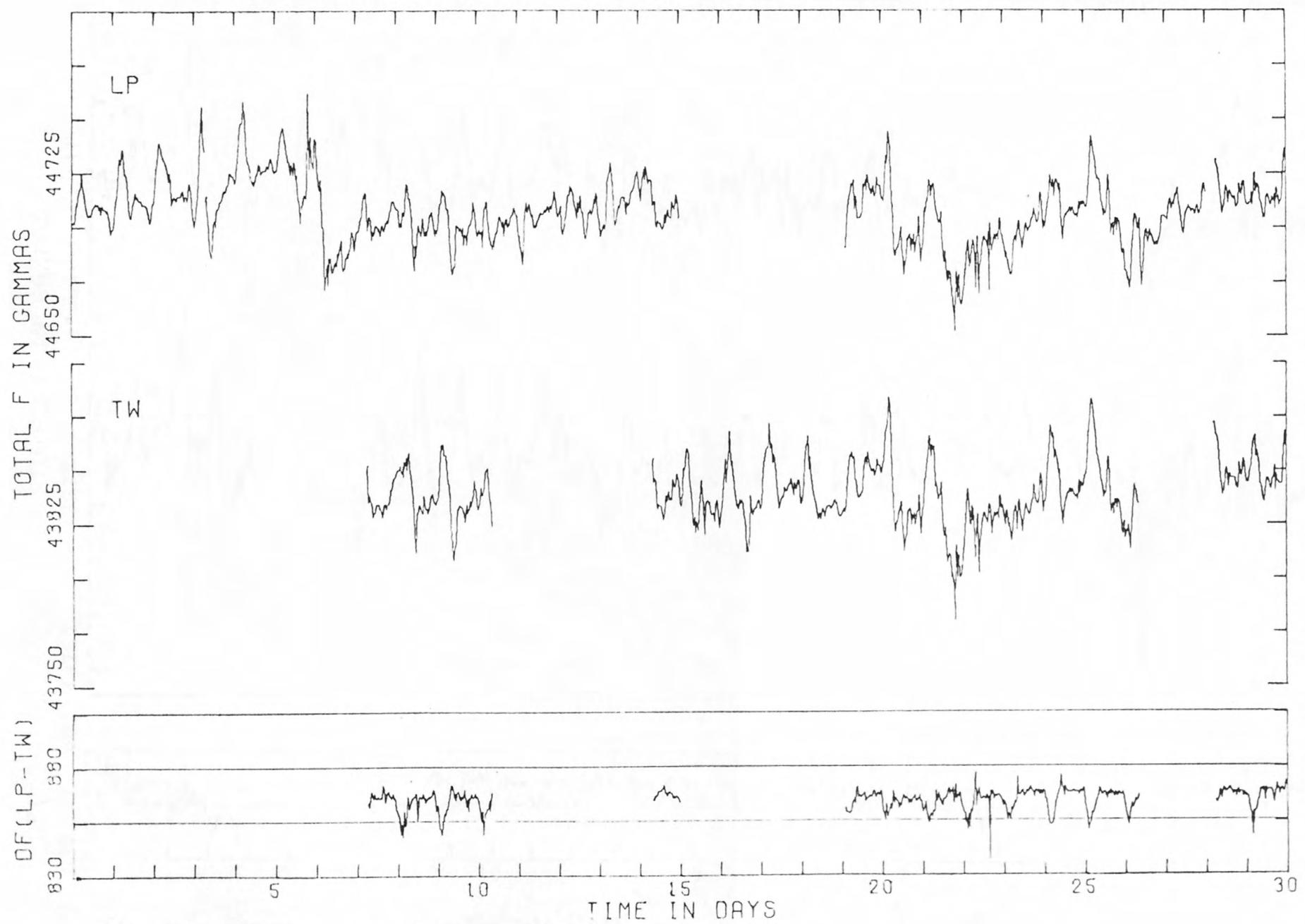


Figure 2. Raw geomagnetic data for June, 1979.

GEOMAGNETOGRAMS JULY 1979

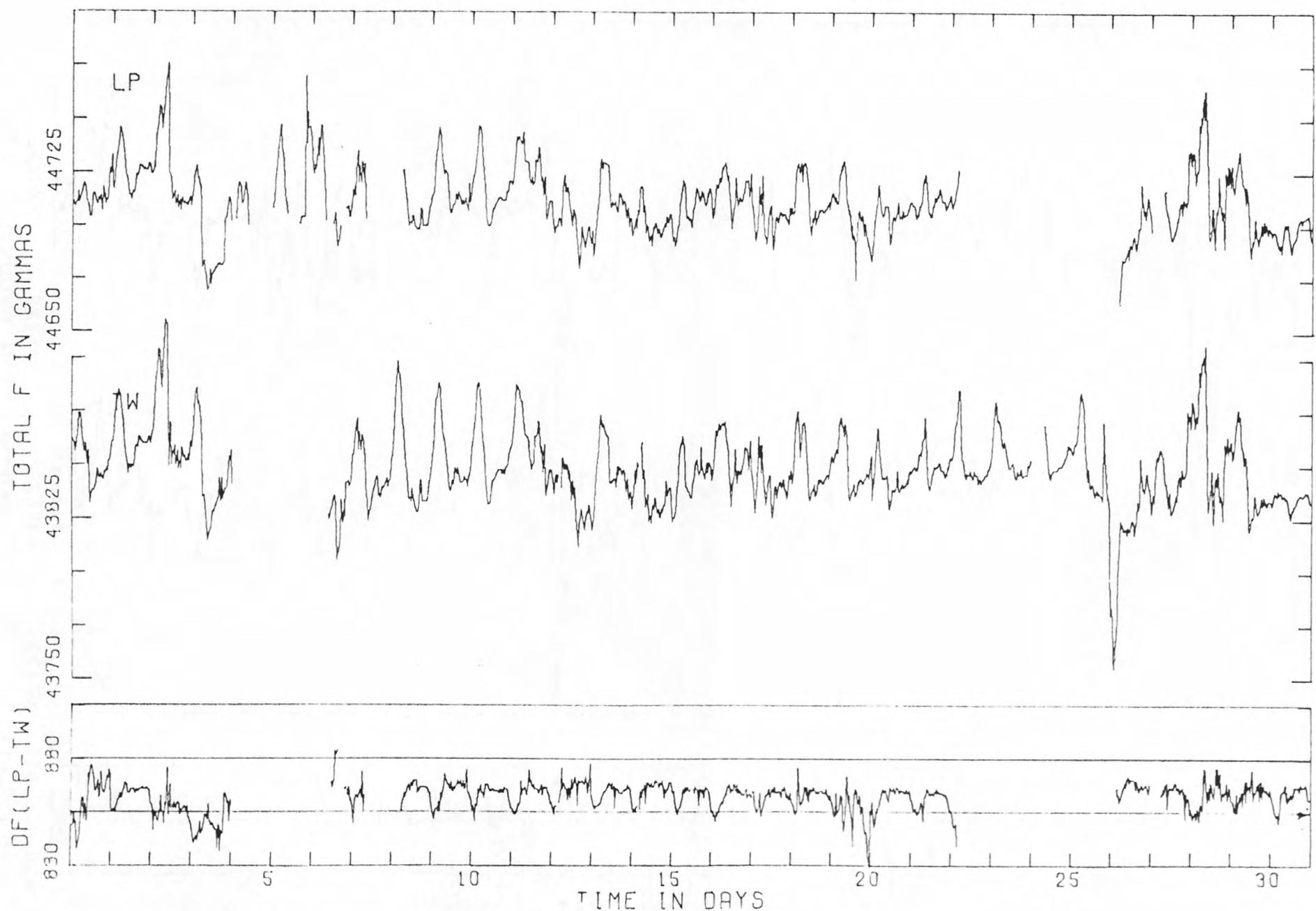


Figure 3. Raw geomagnetic data for July, 1979.

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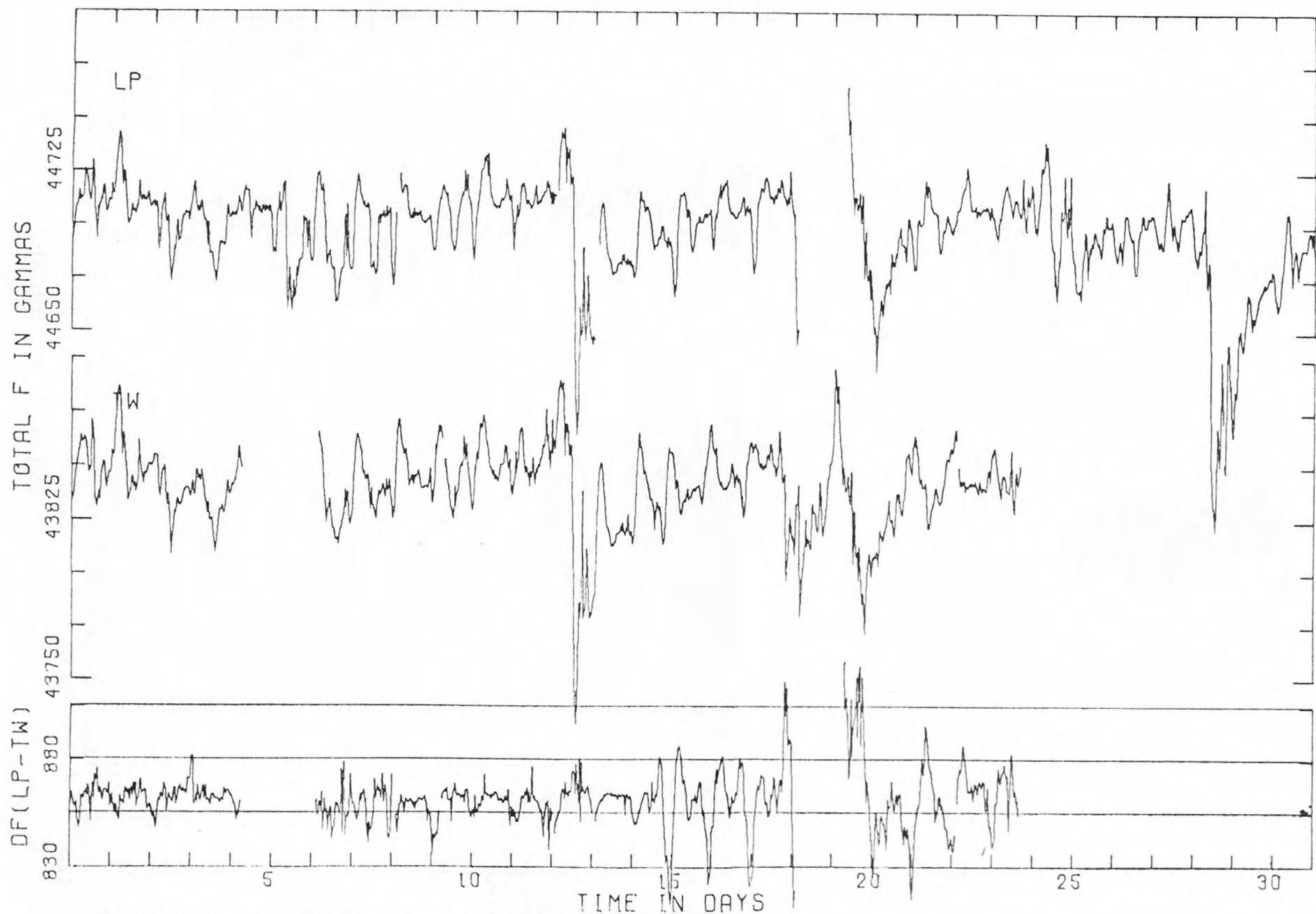


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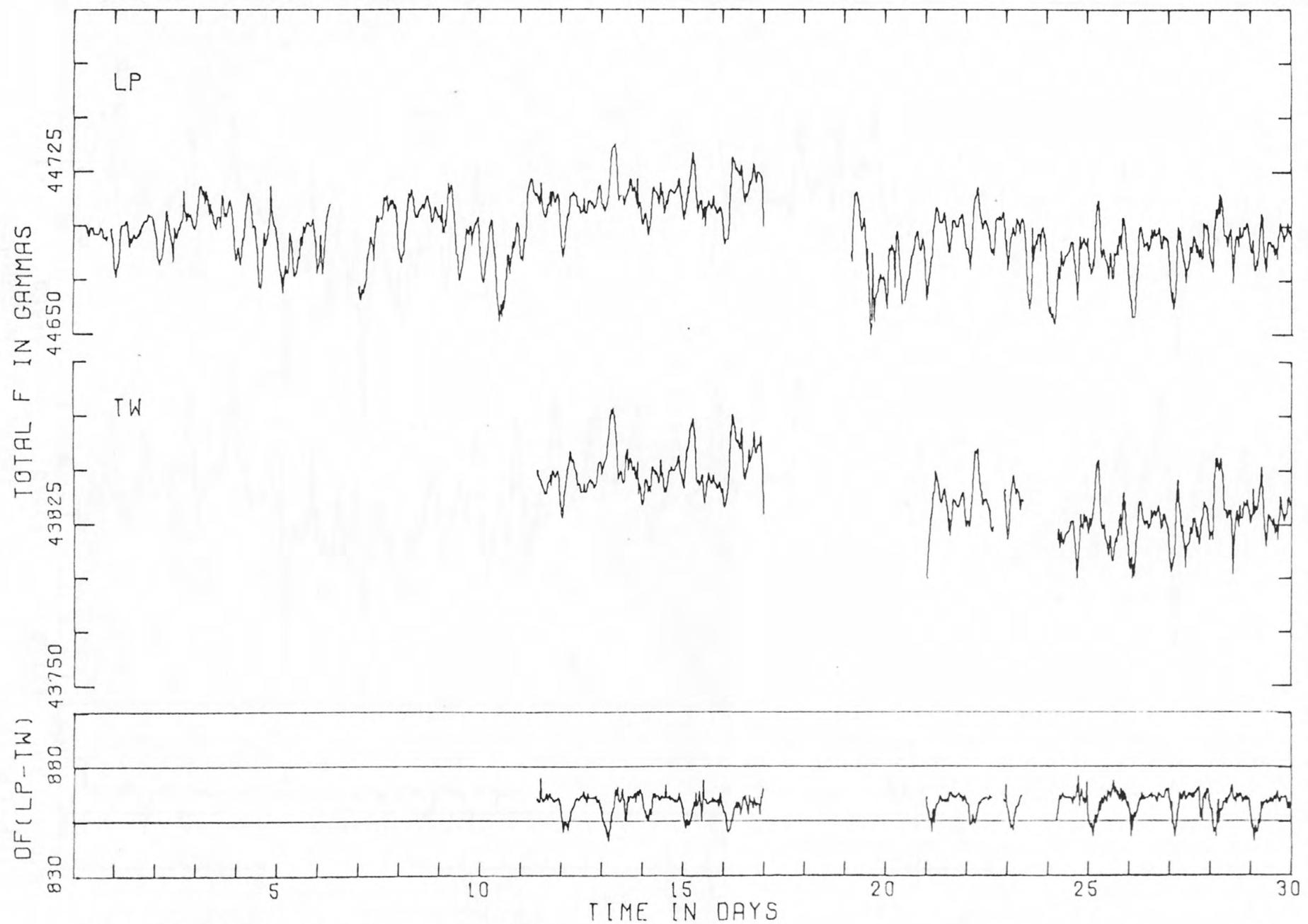


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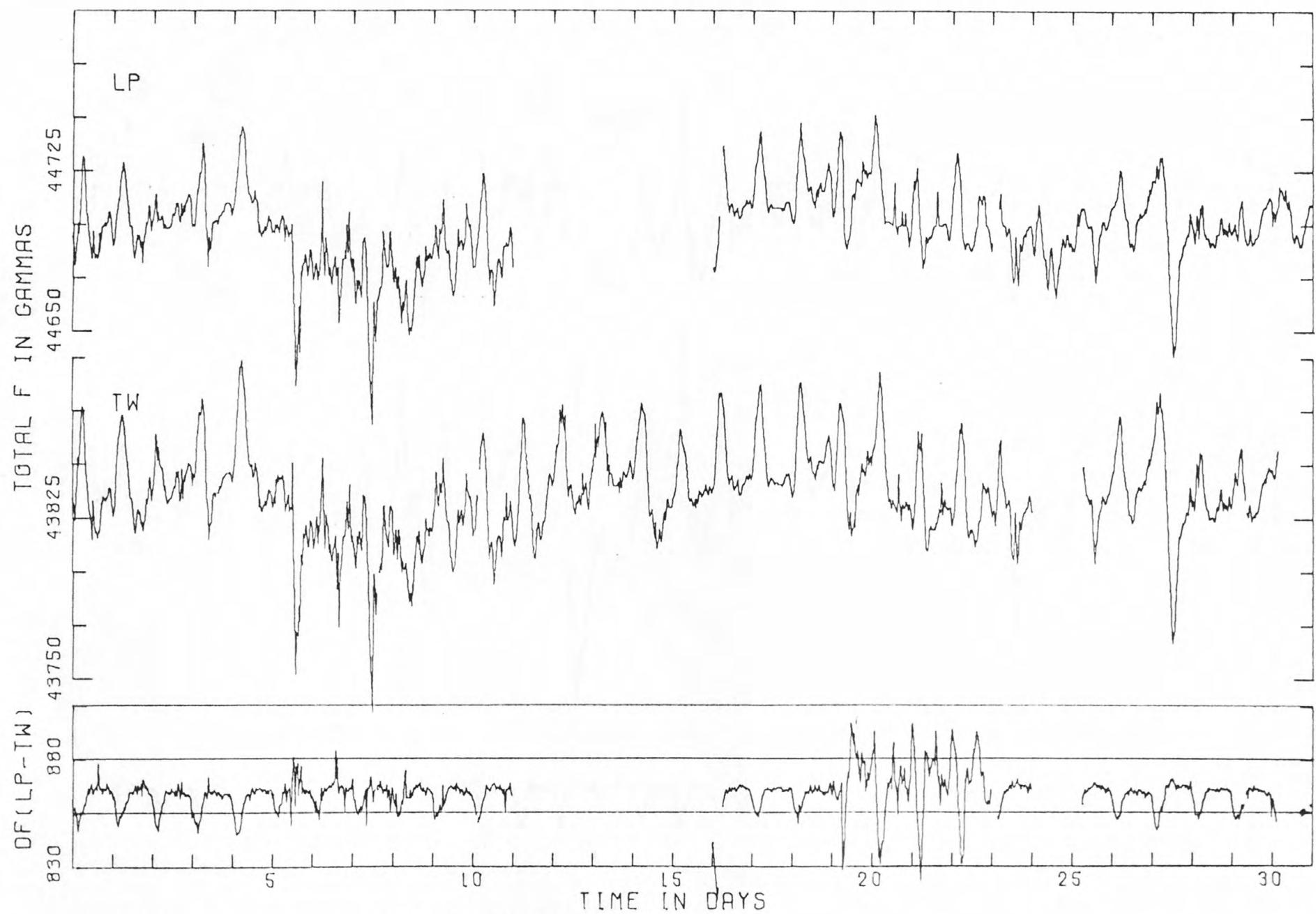


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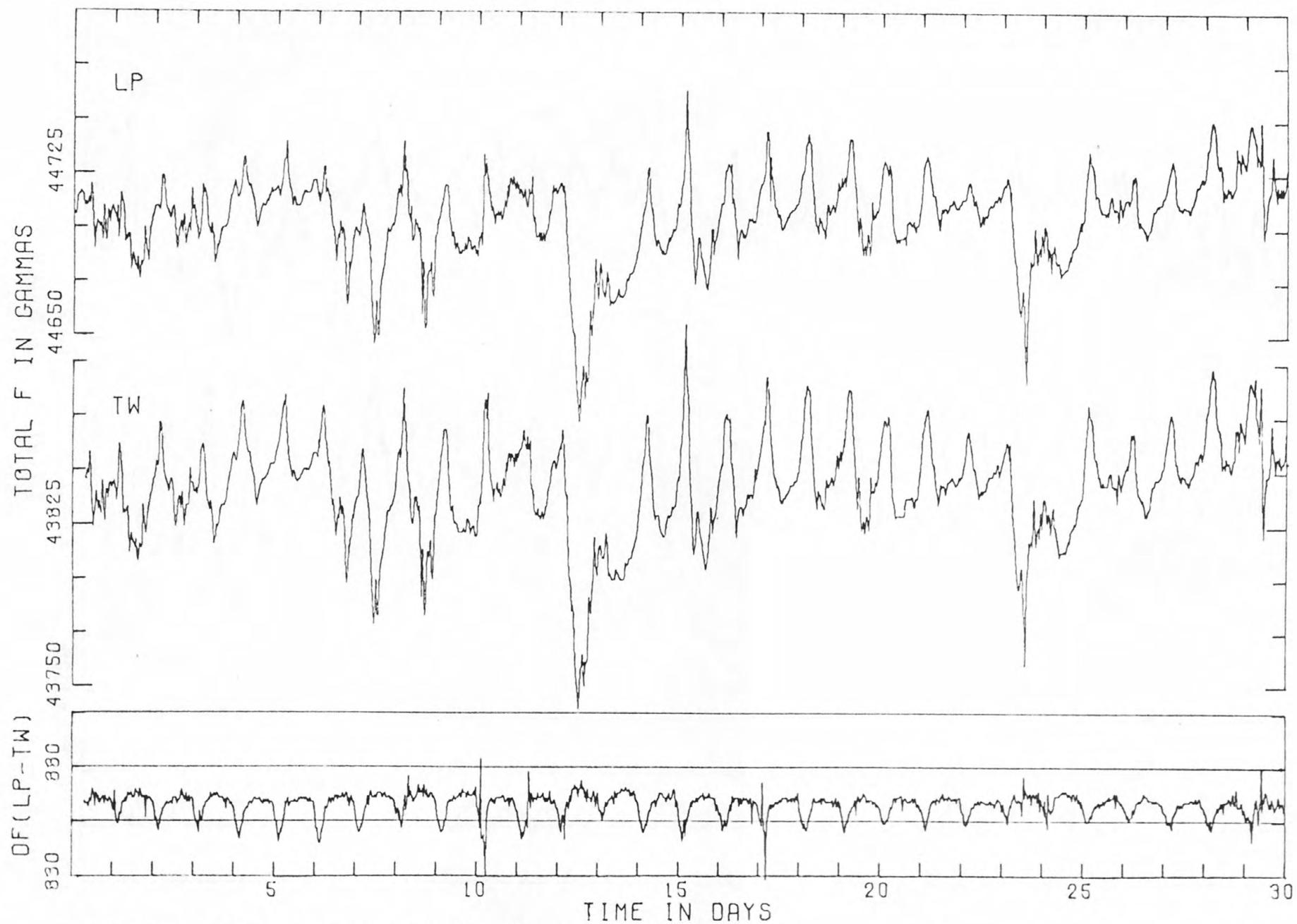


Figure 7. Raw geomagnetic data for November, 1979.

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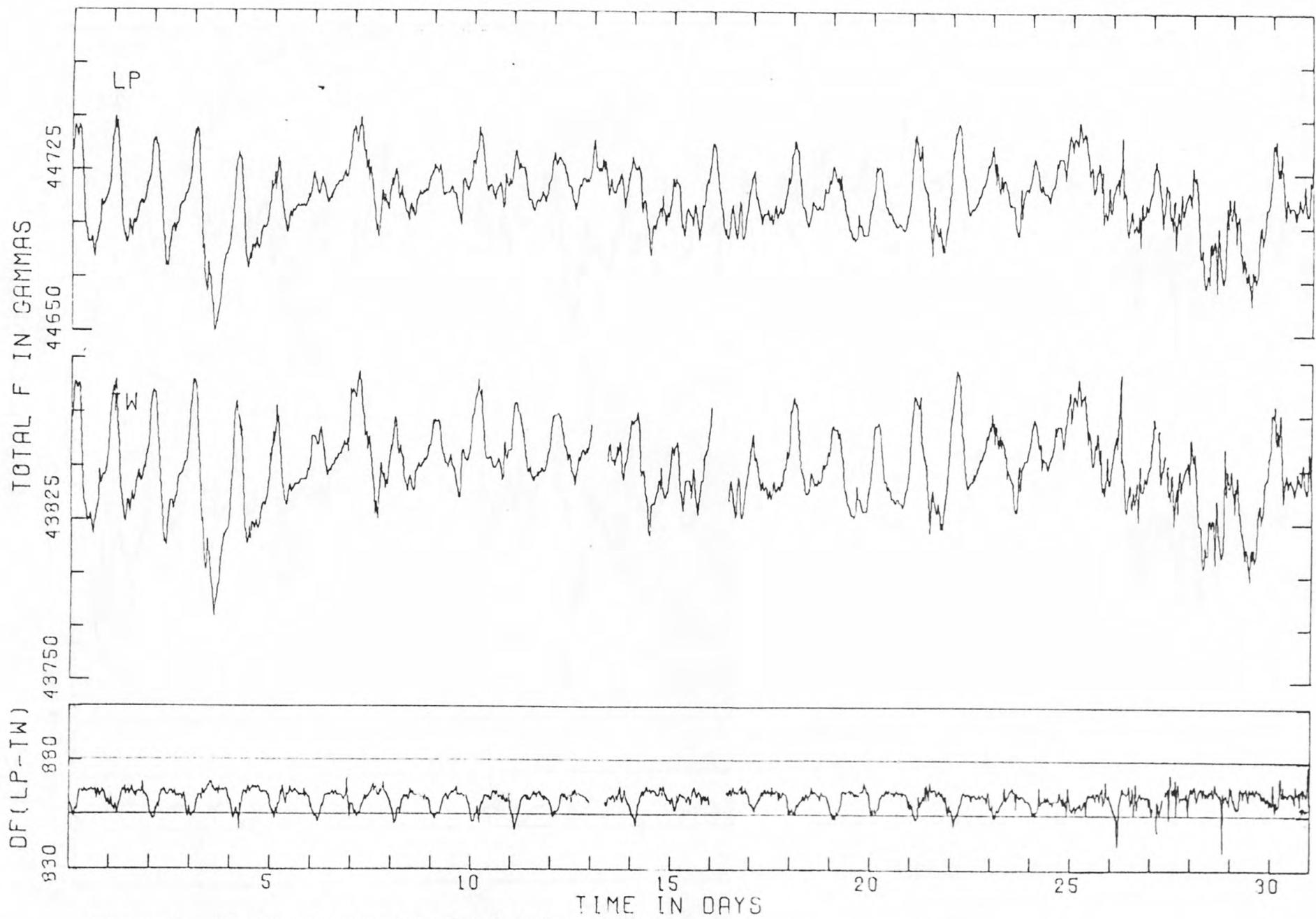


Figure 8. Raw geomagnetic data for December, 1979.

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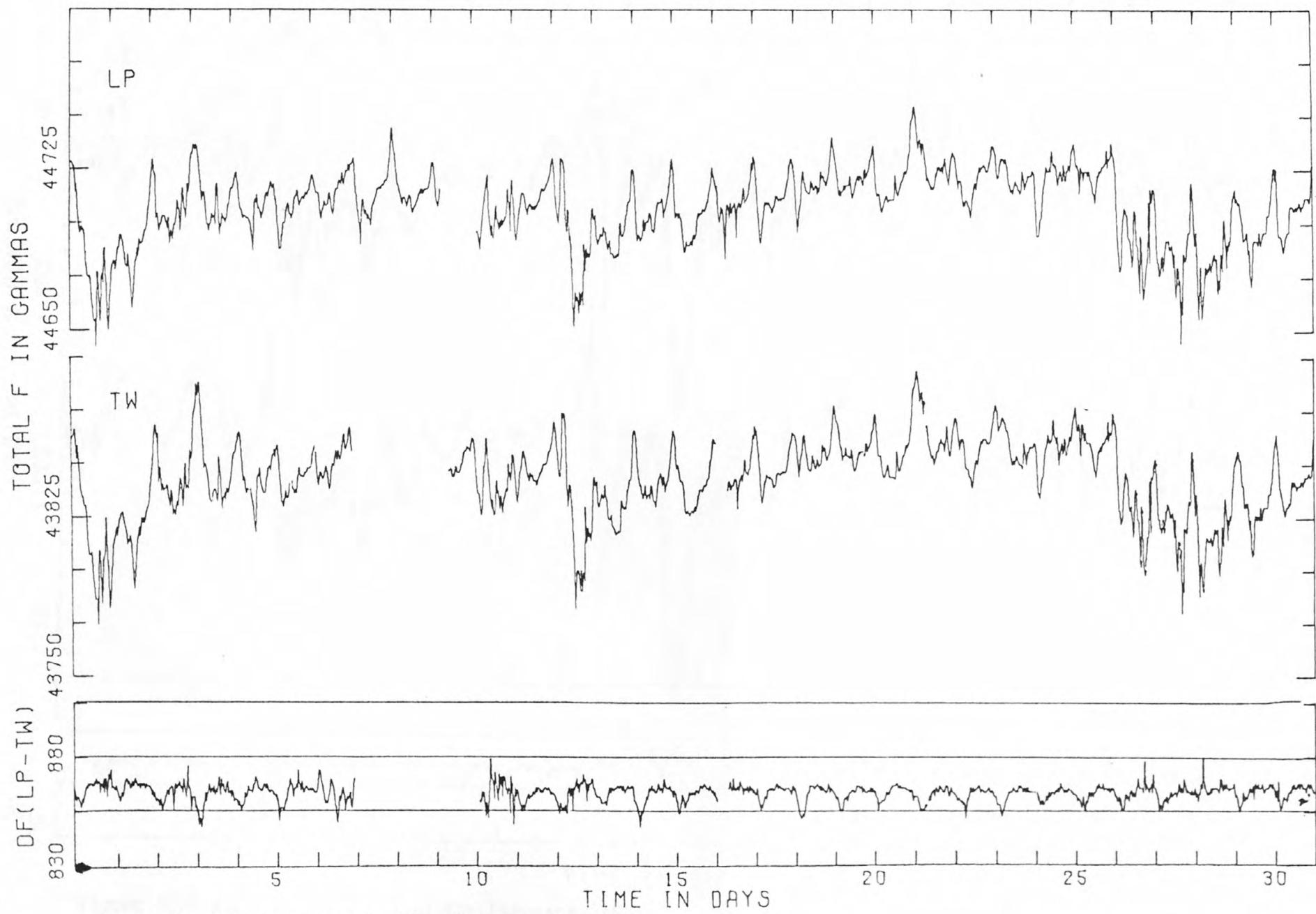


Figure 9. Raw geomagnetic data for January, 1980.

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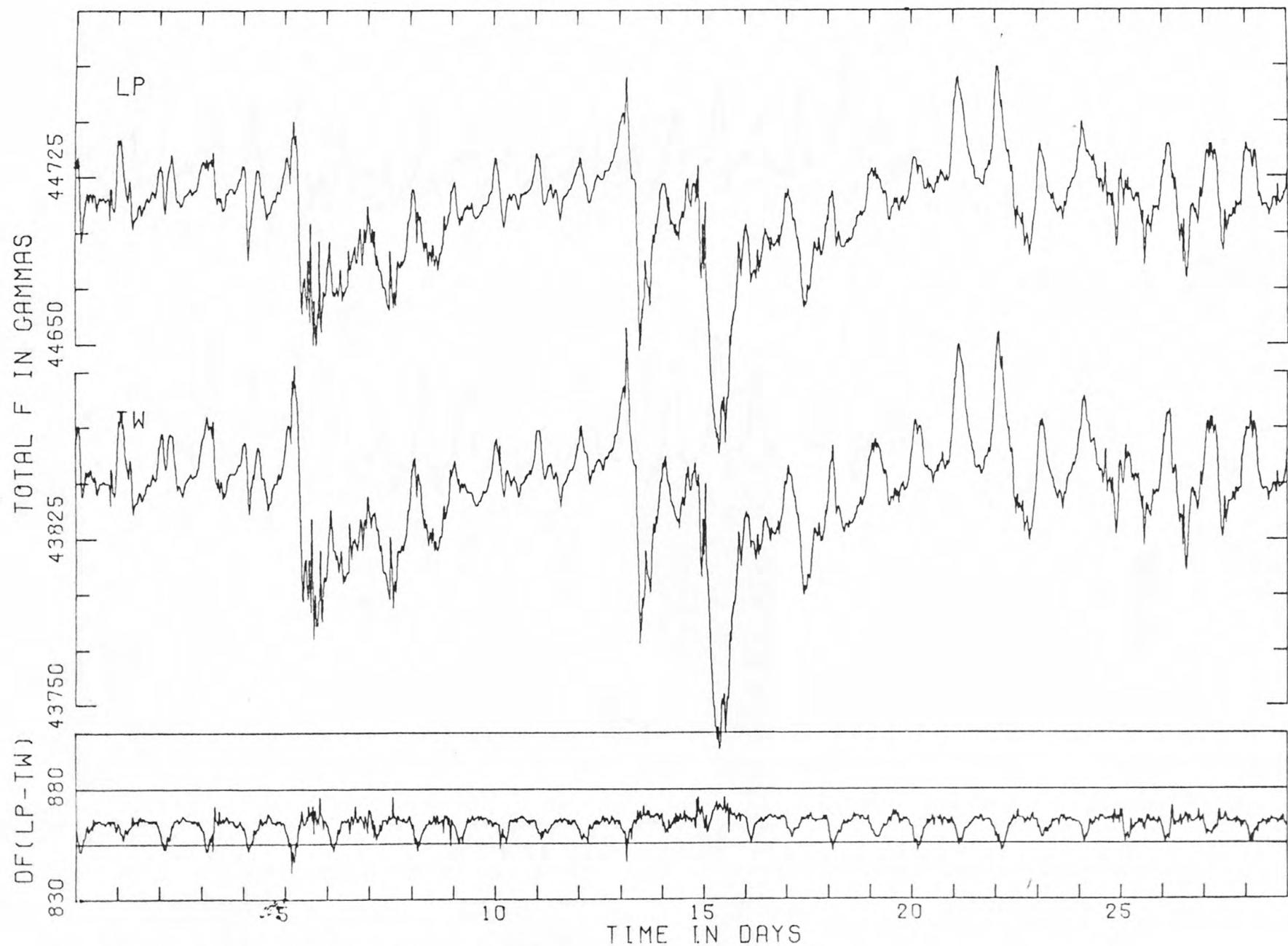


Figure 10. Raw geomagnetic data for February, 1980.

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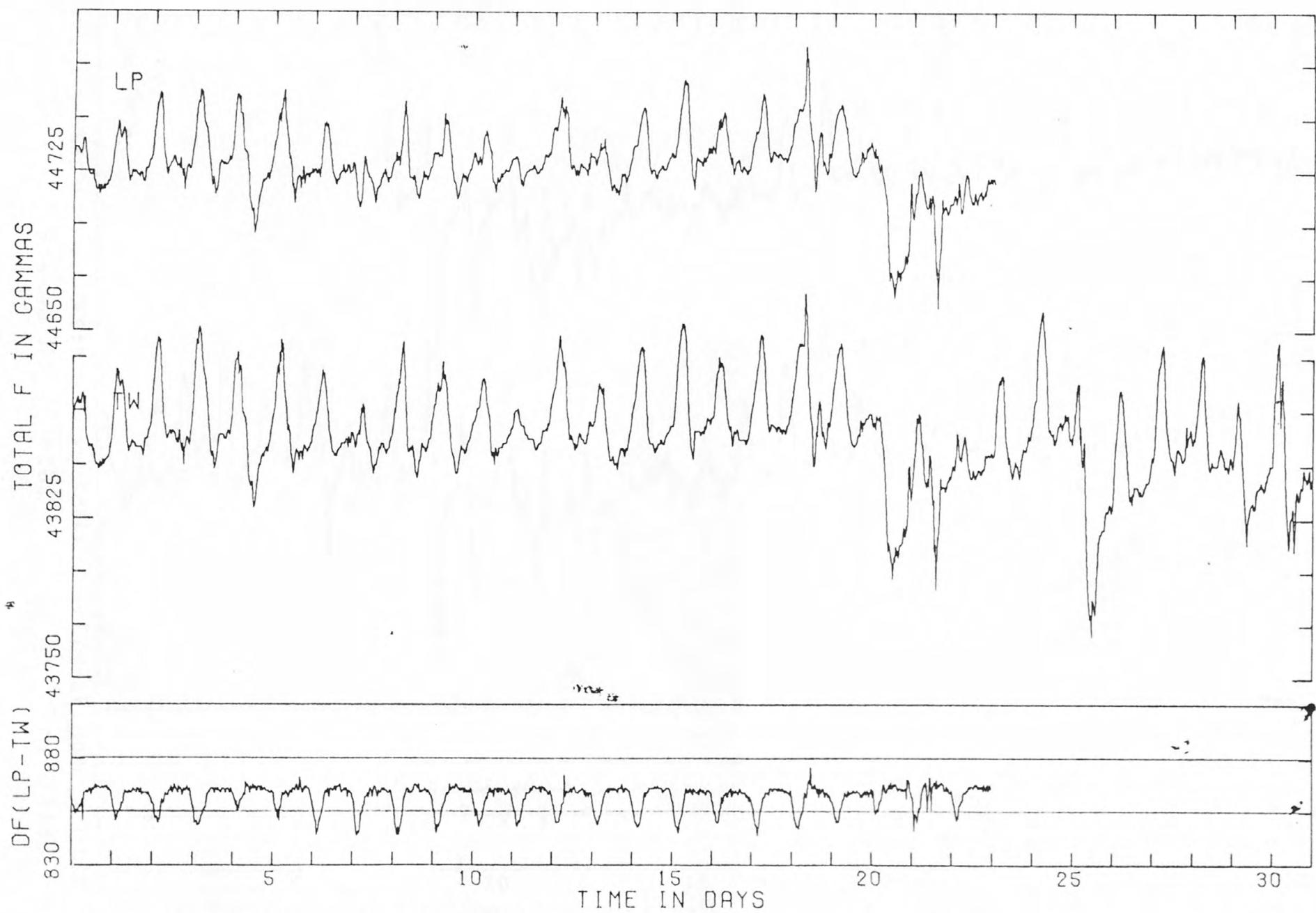


Figure 11. Raw geomagnetic data for March, 1980.

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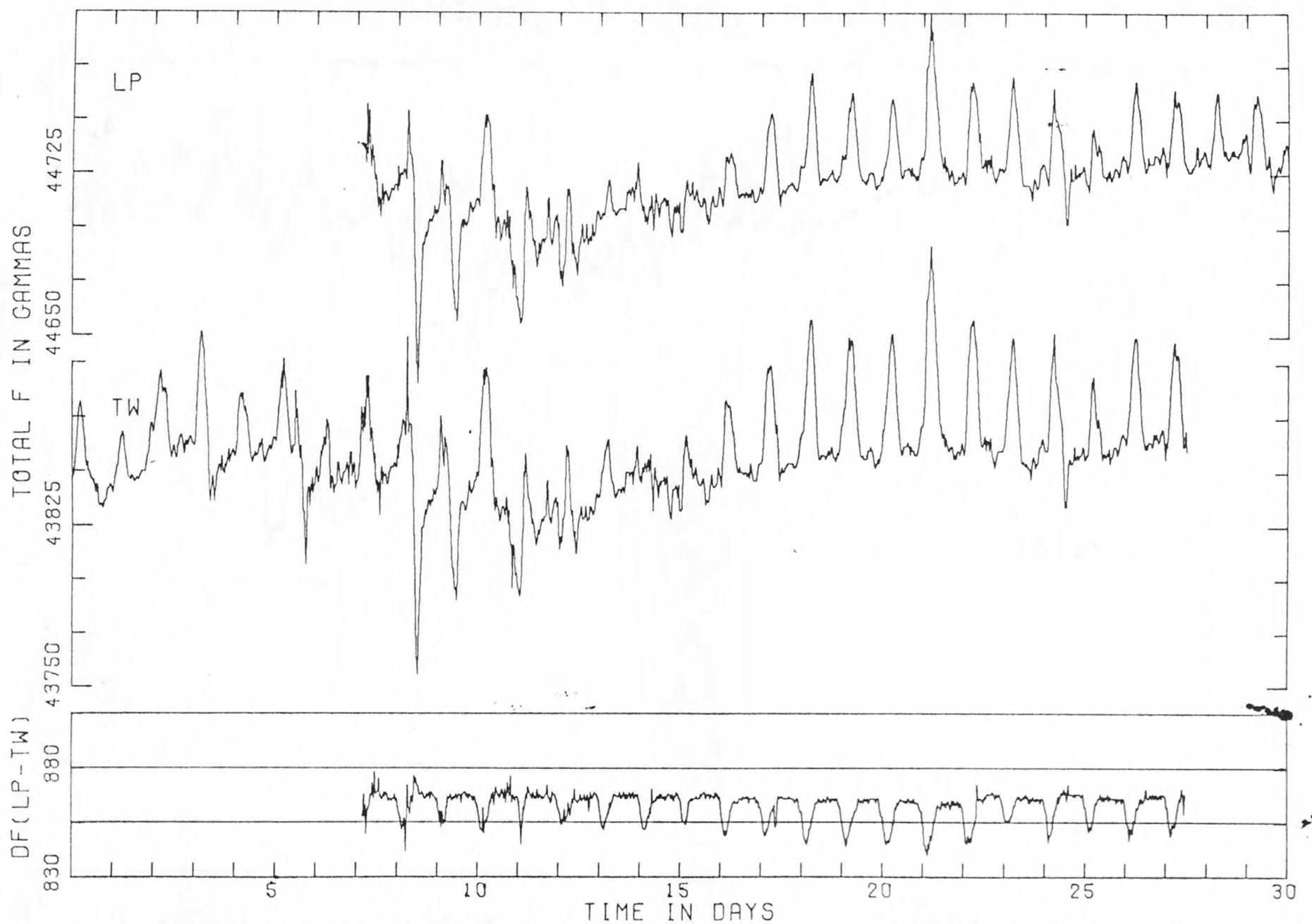
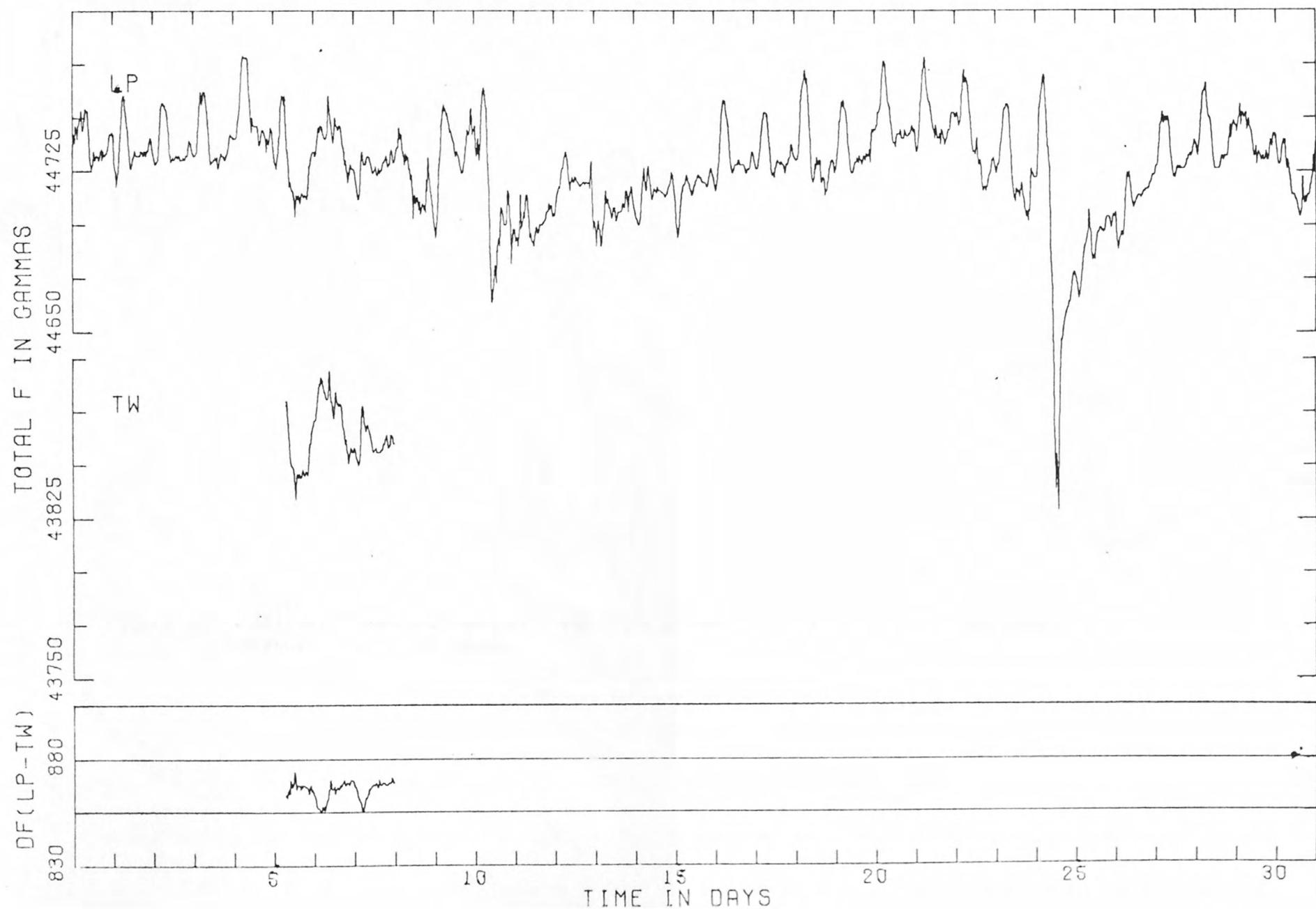


Figure 12. Raw geomagnetic data for April, 1980.

Figure 13. Raw geomagnetic data for May, 1980.

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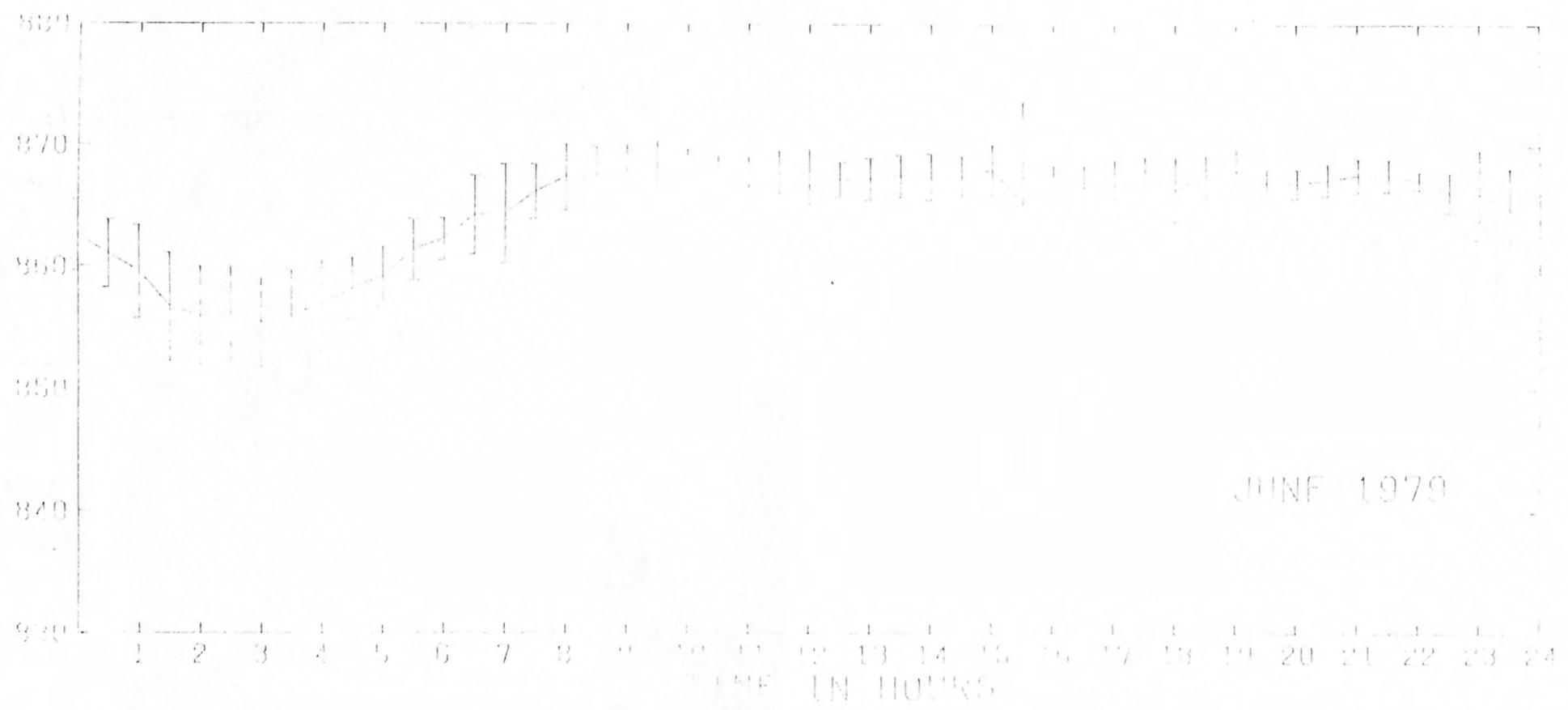


Figure 14. Daily difference of magnetic readings between LP and TW stations for June, 1979; standard deviation shown.

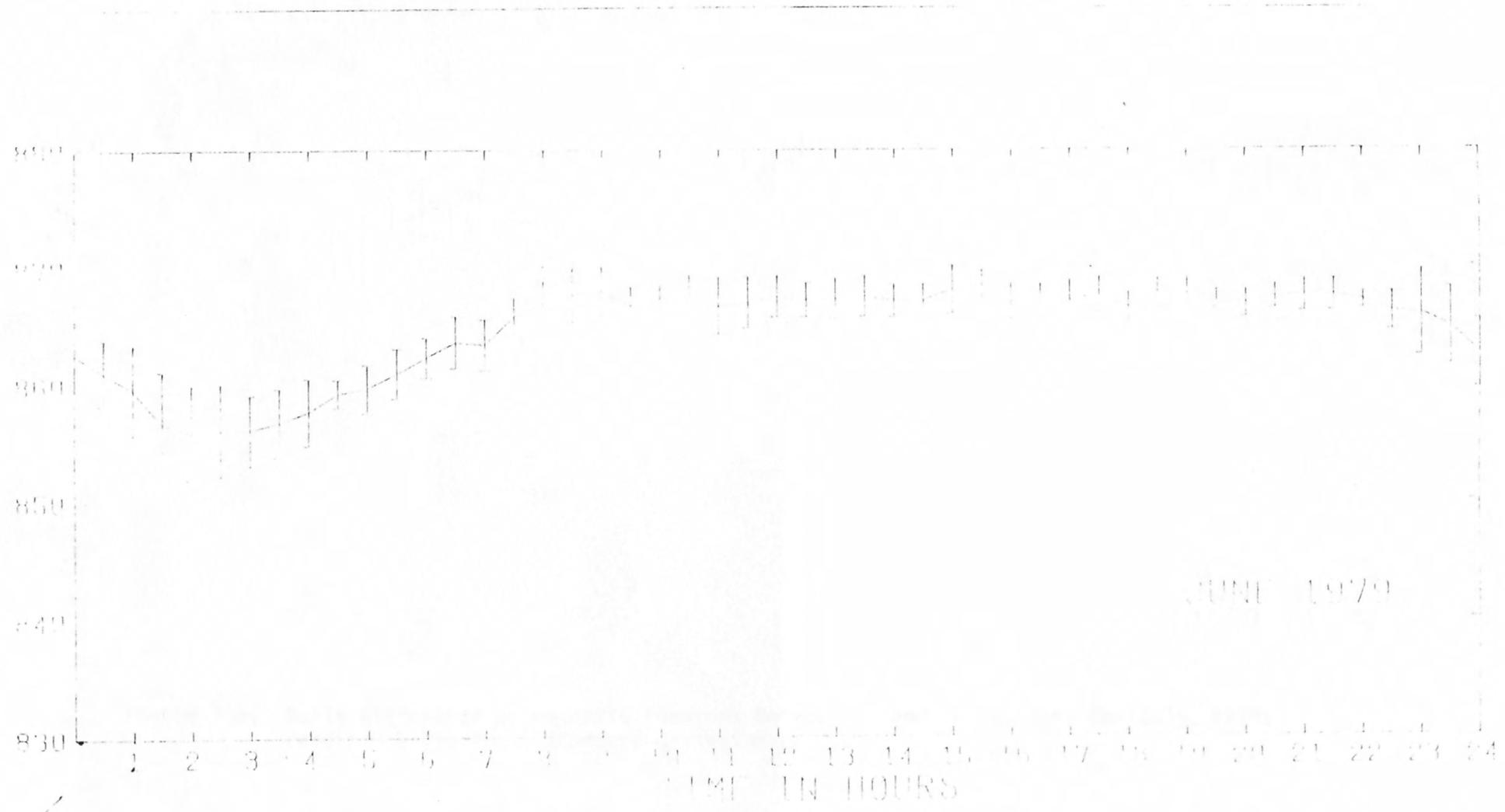


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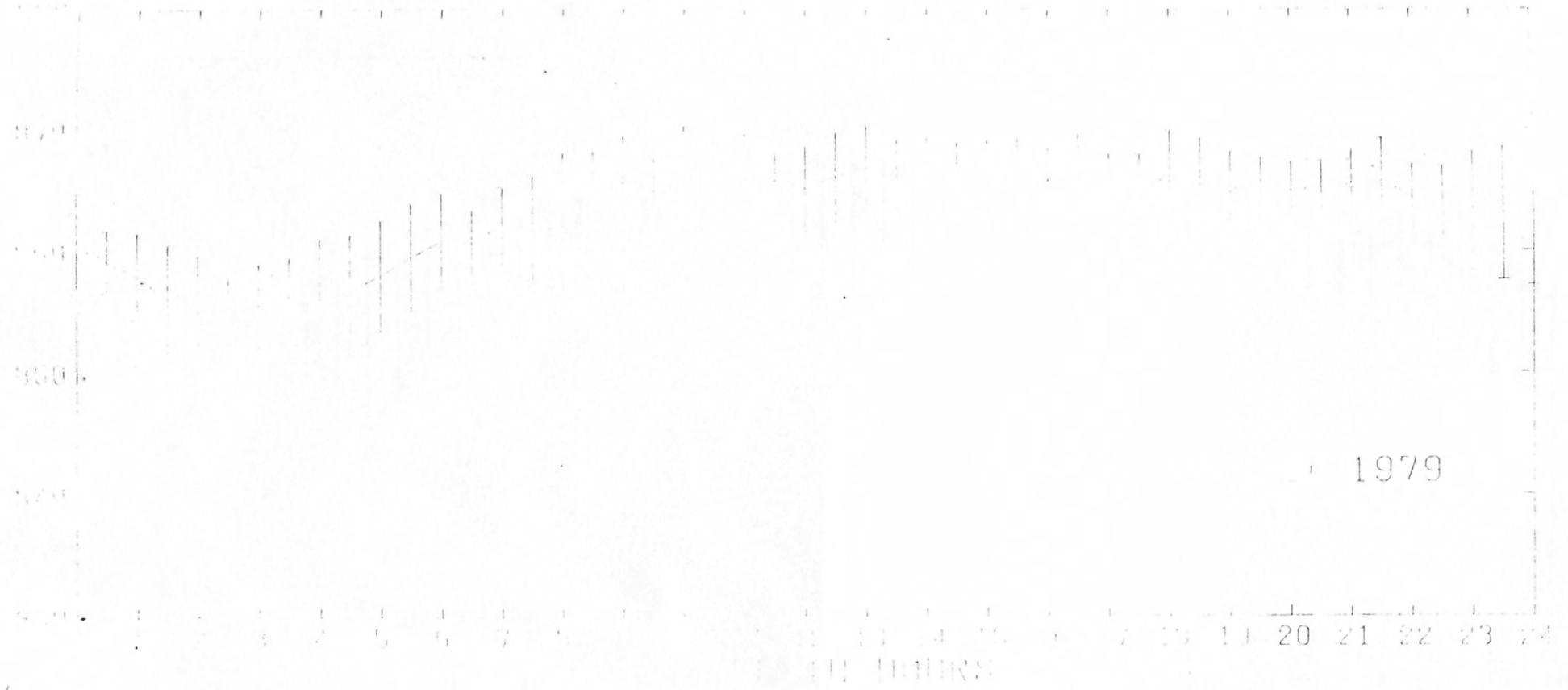


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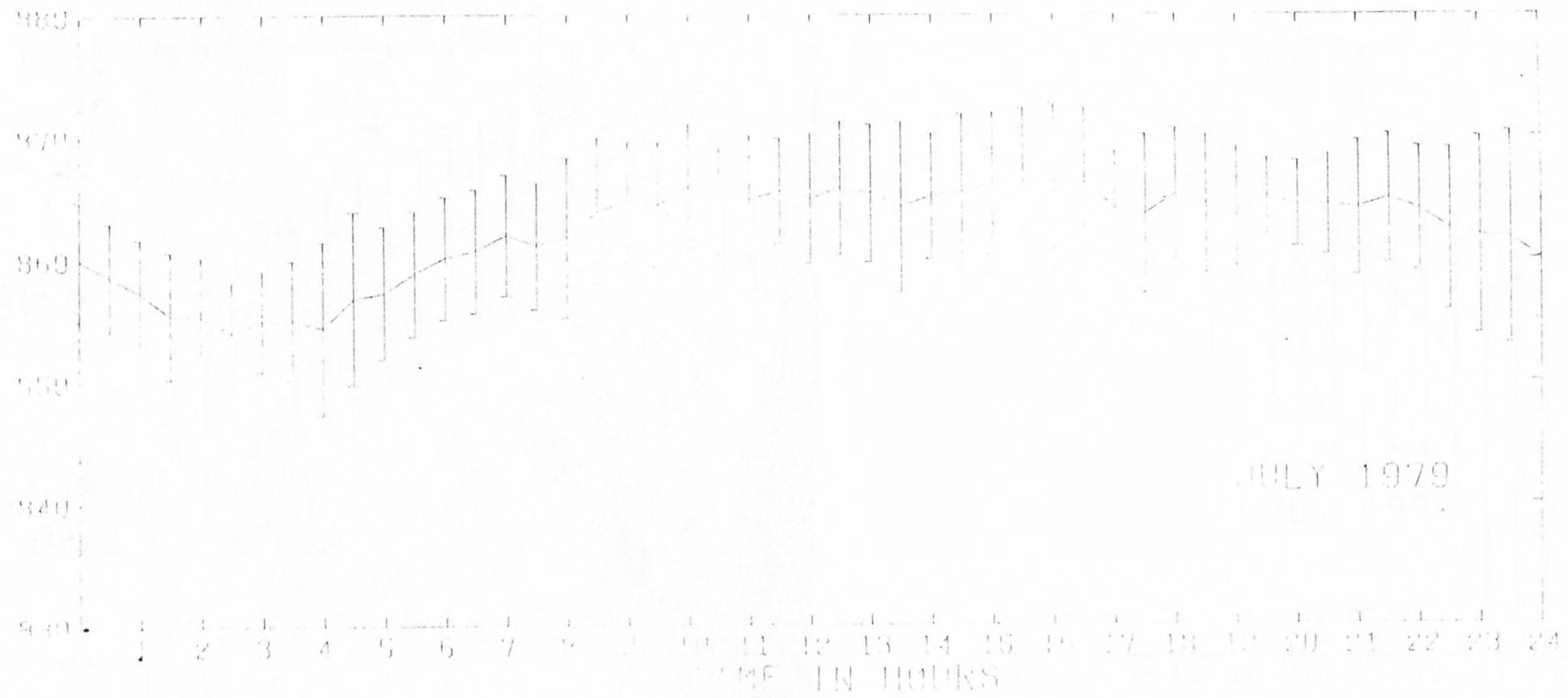


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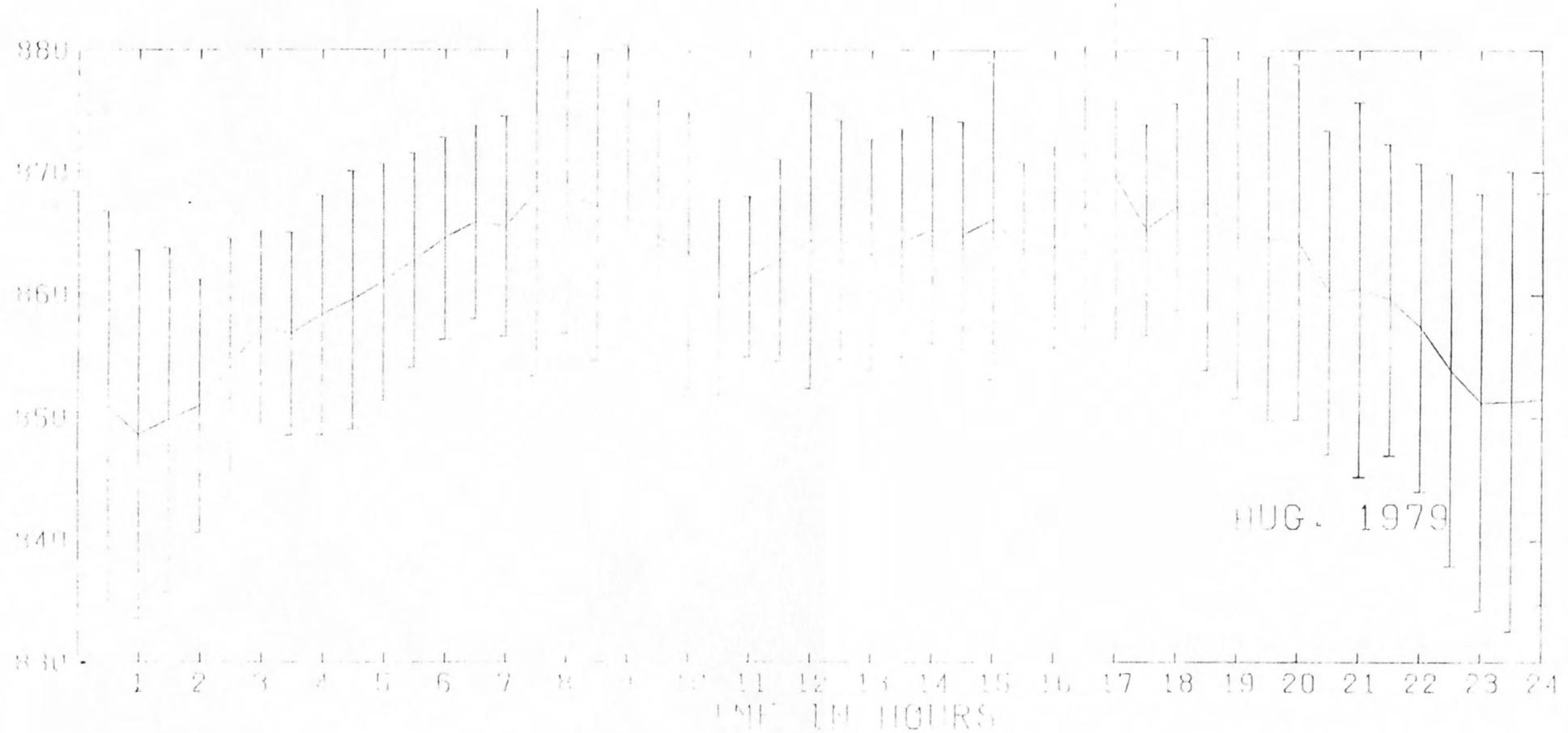


Figure 16. Daily difference of magnetic readings between LP and TW stations for August, 1979; standard deviation shown.

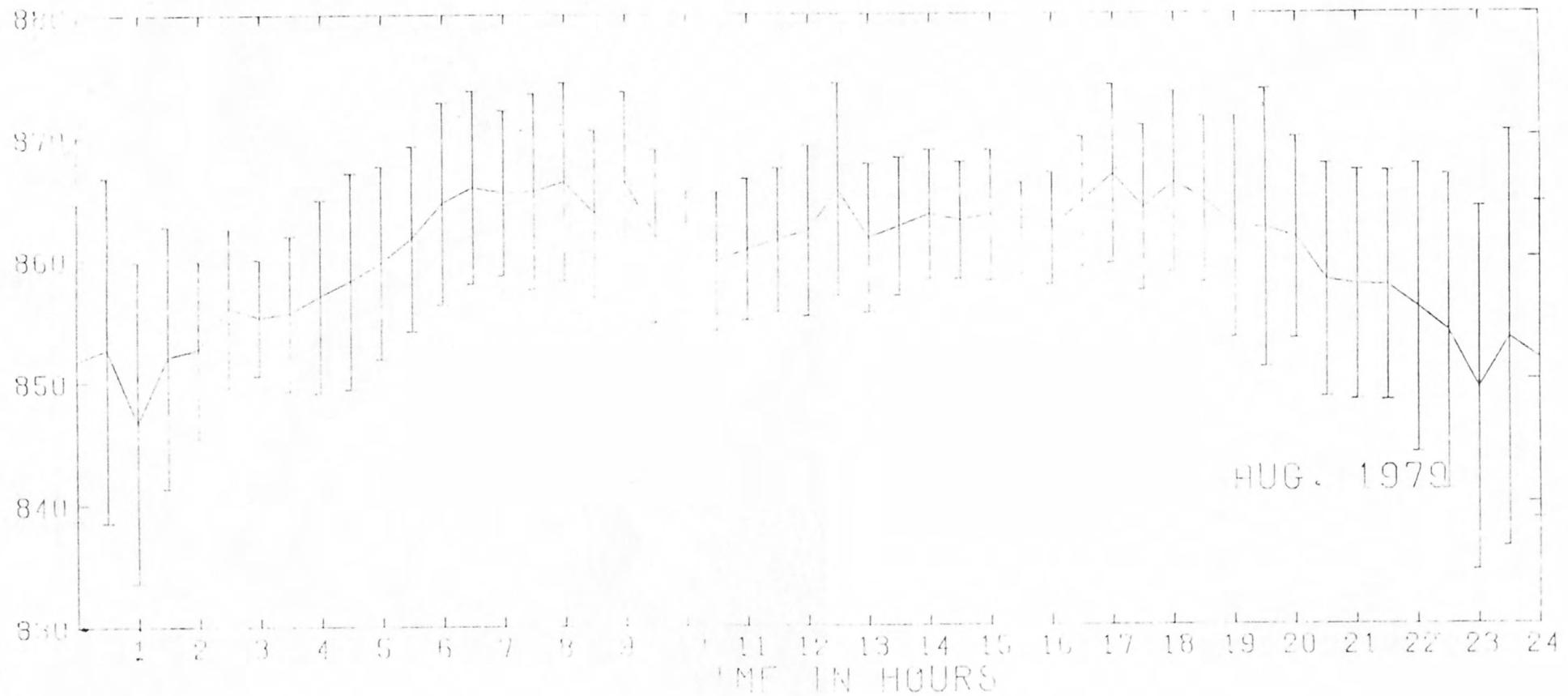


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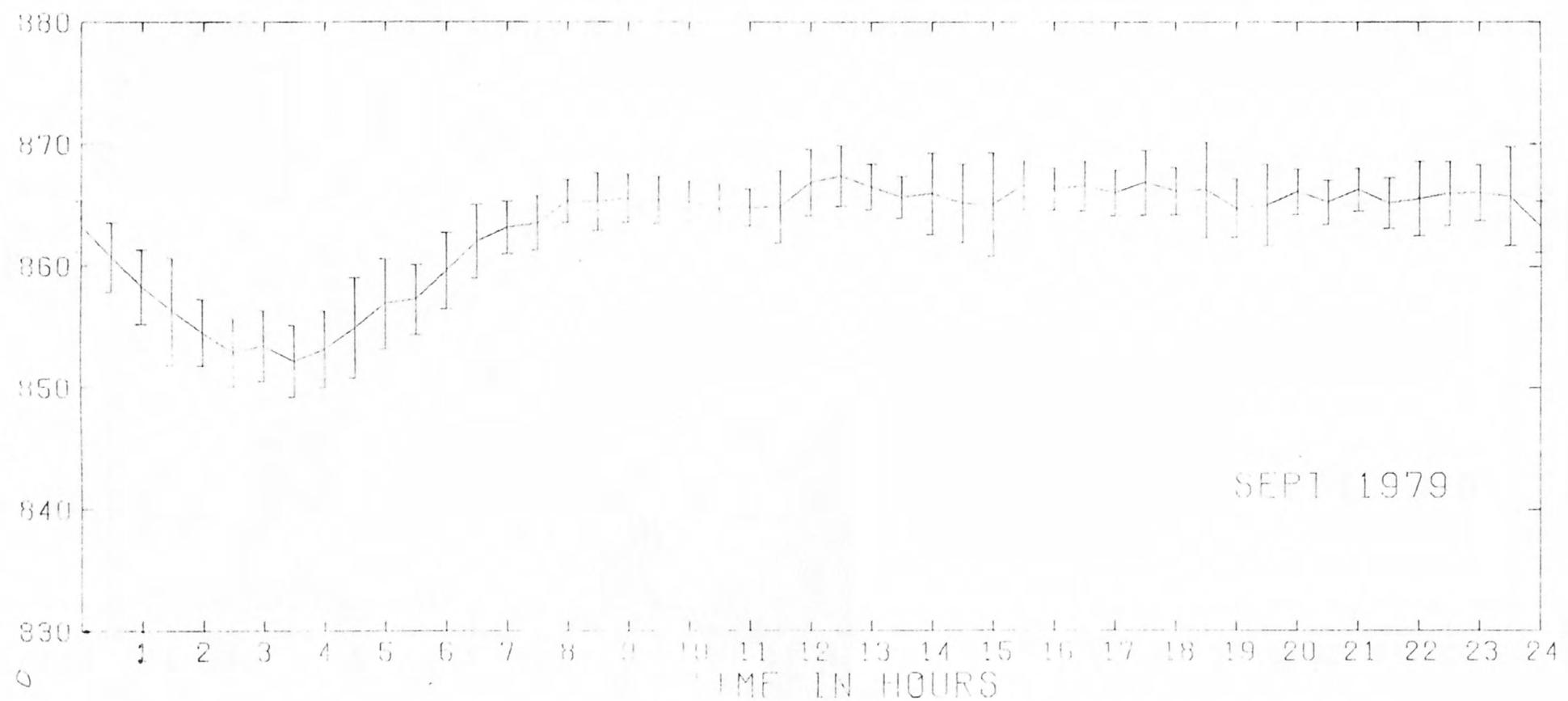
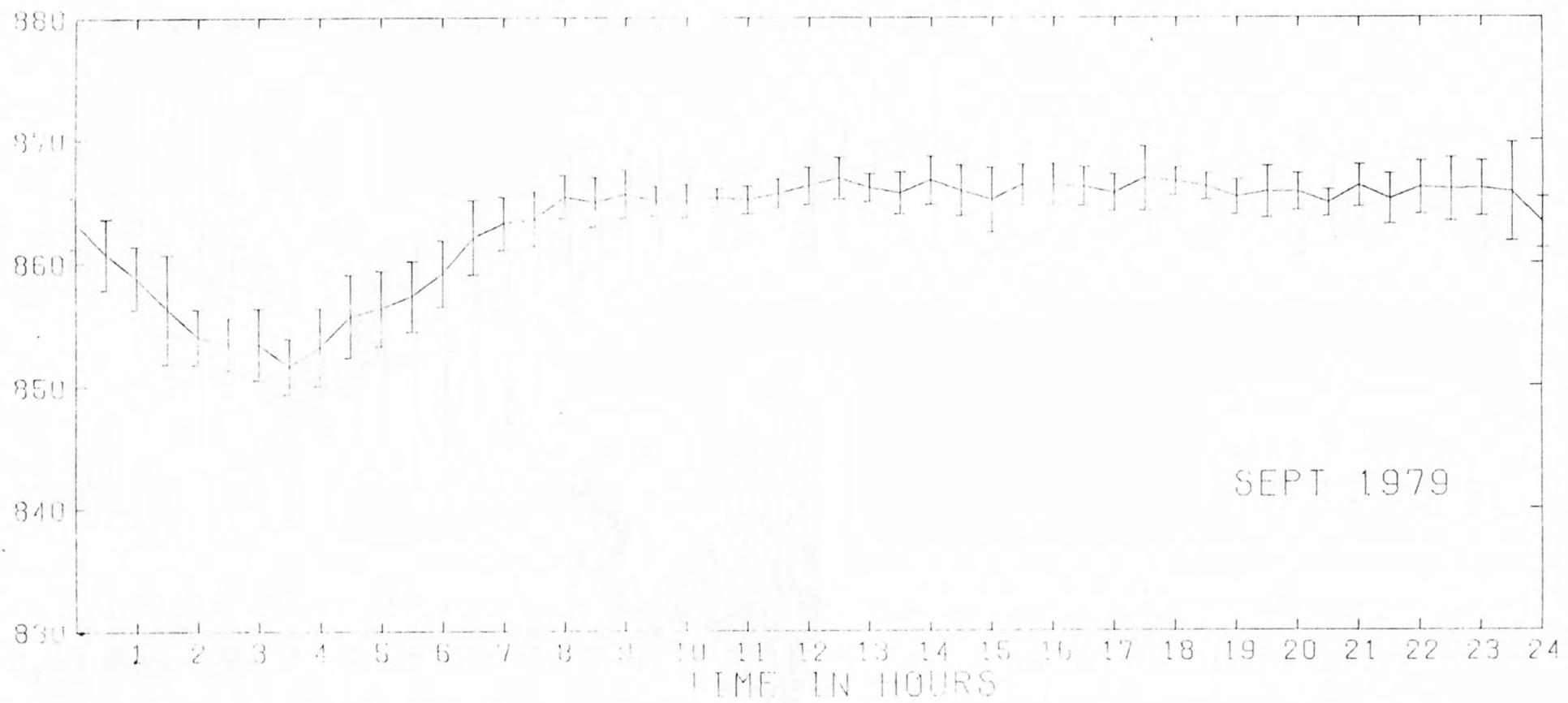


Figure 17. Daily difference of magnetic readings between LP and TW stations for September, 1979; standard deviation shown.



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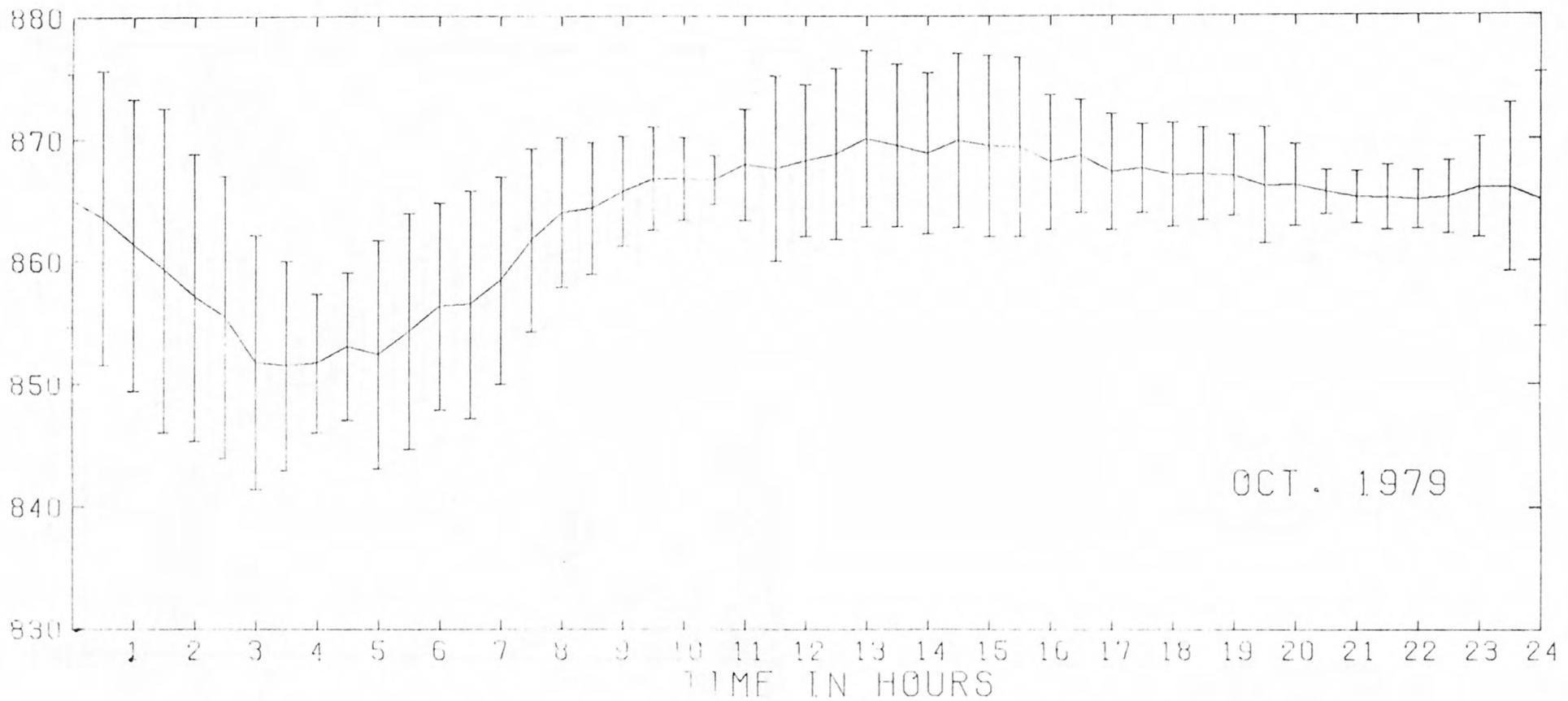


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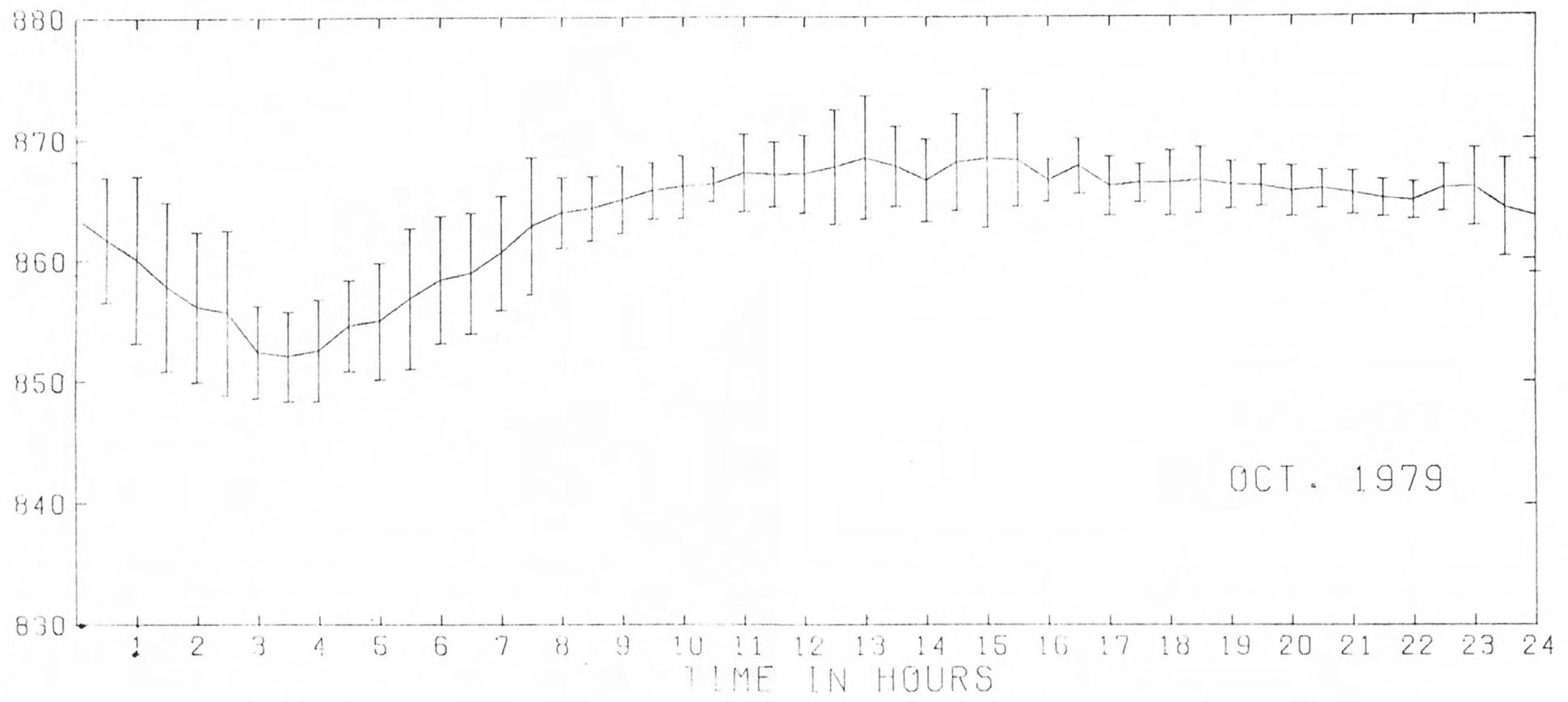
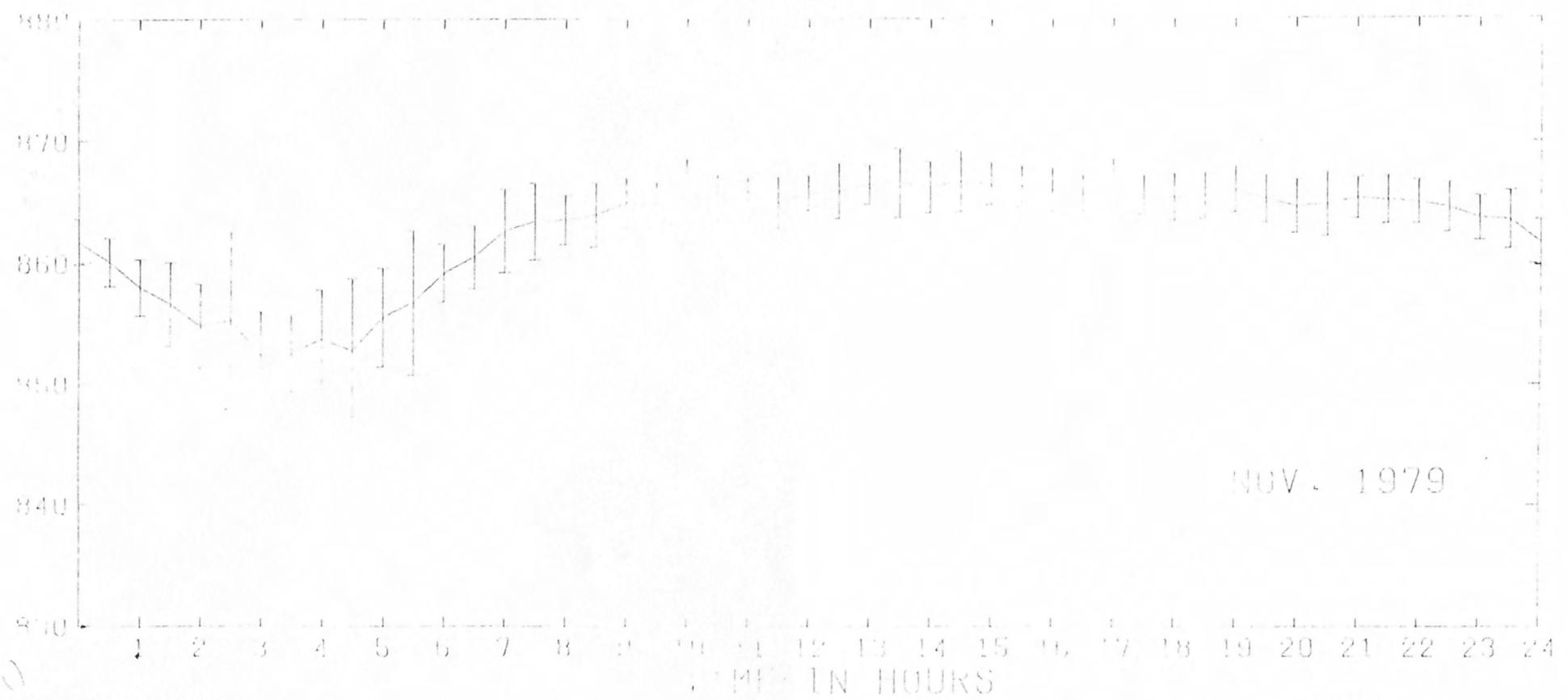


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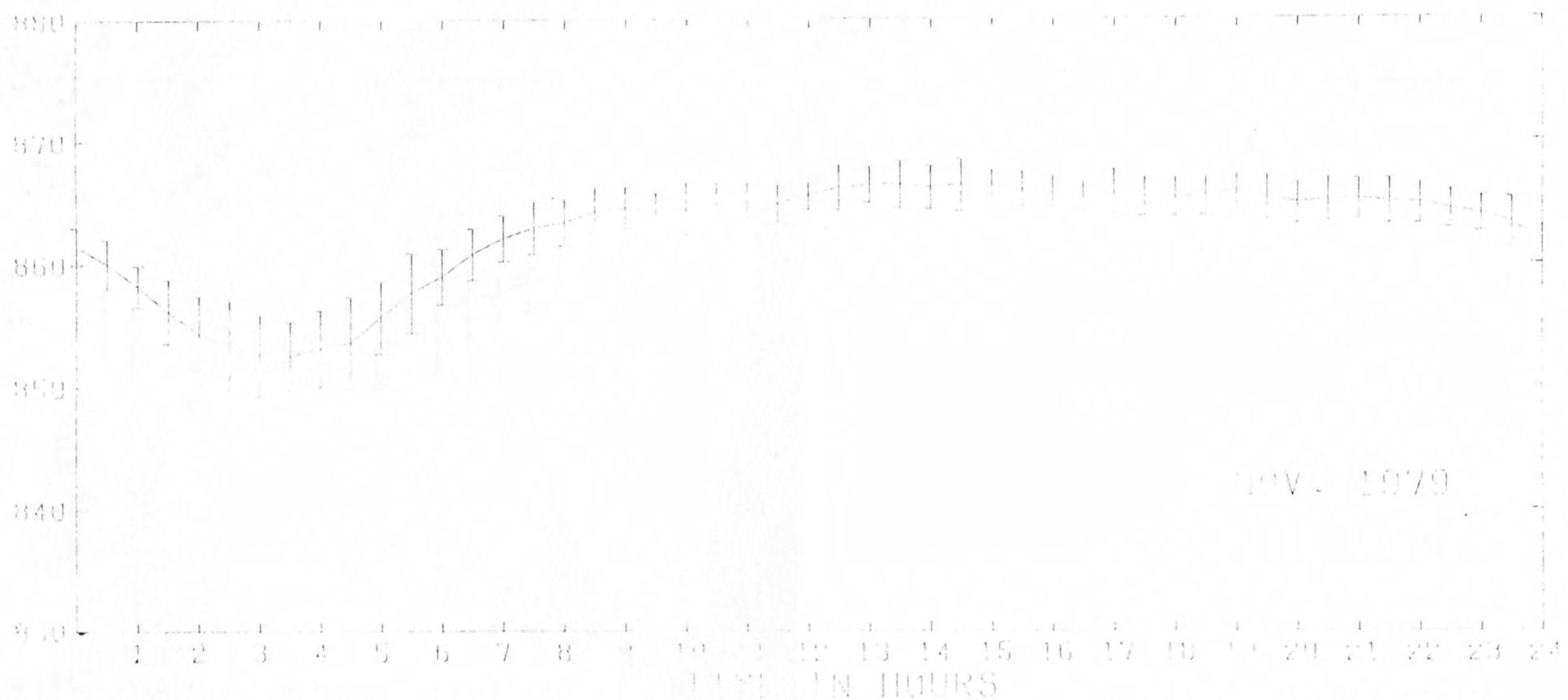


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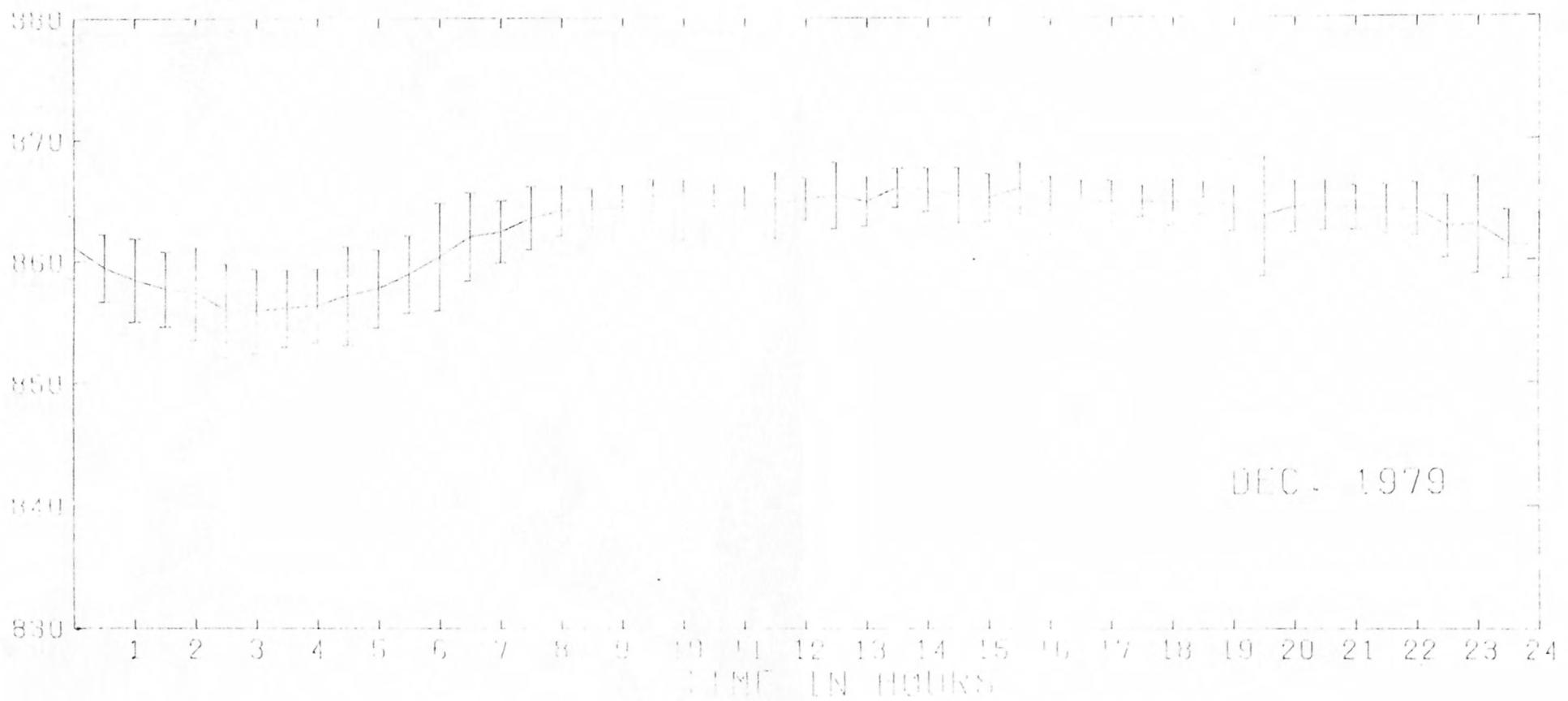


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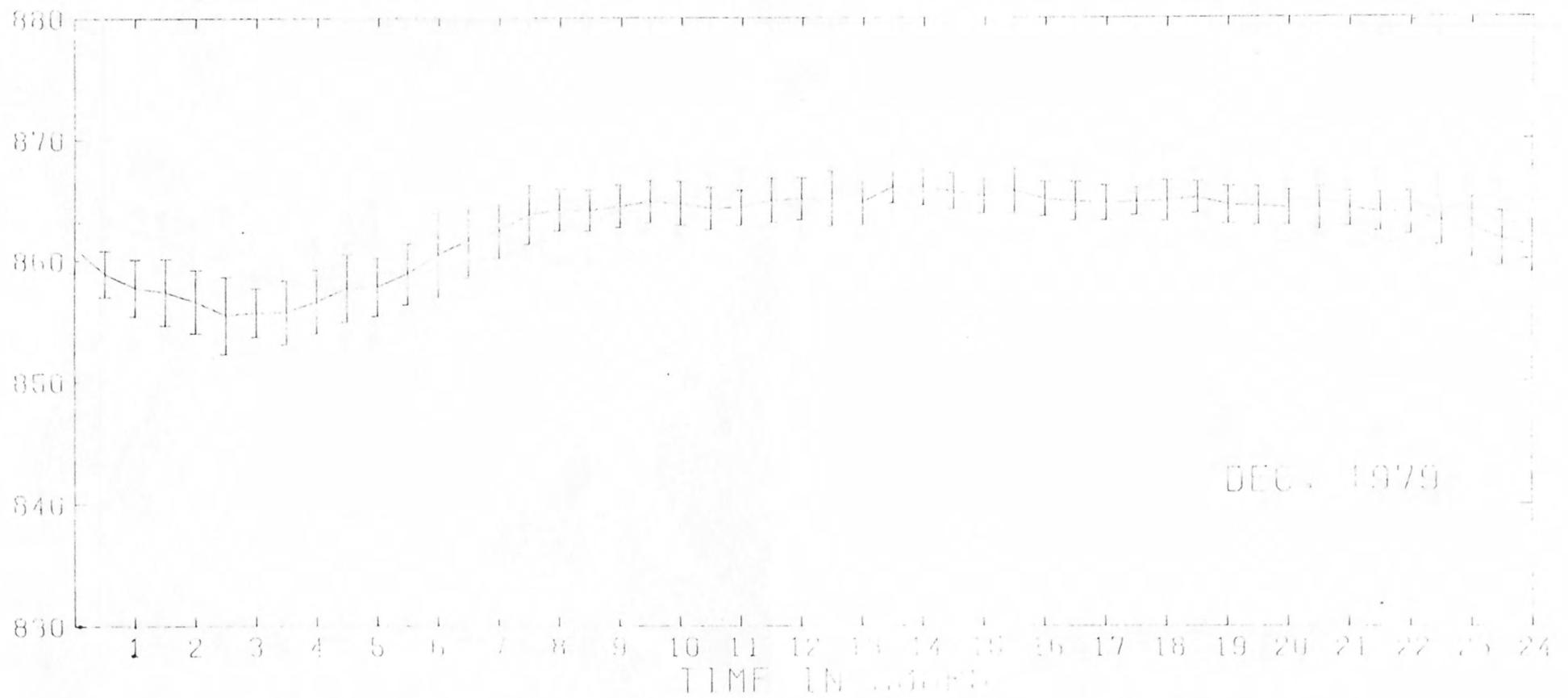


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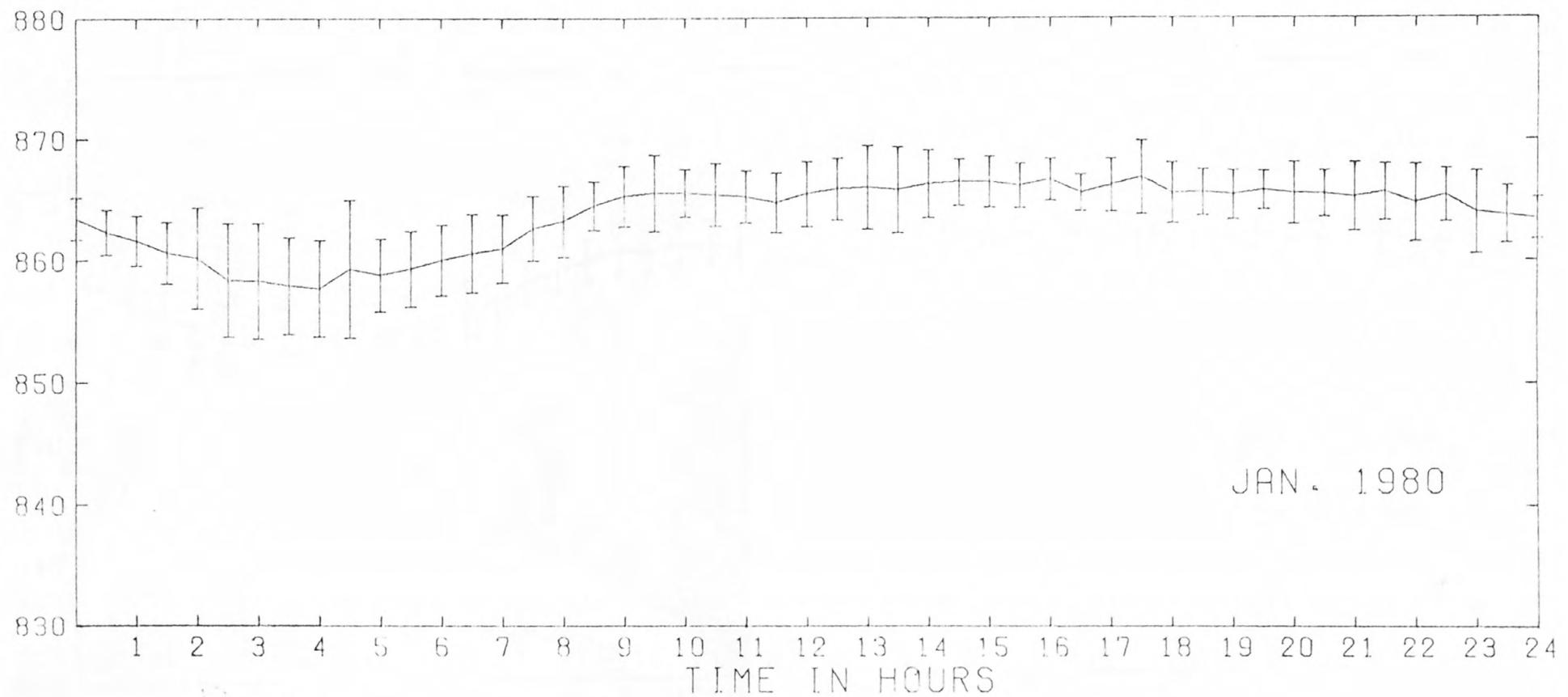


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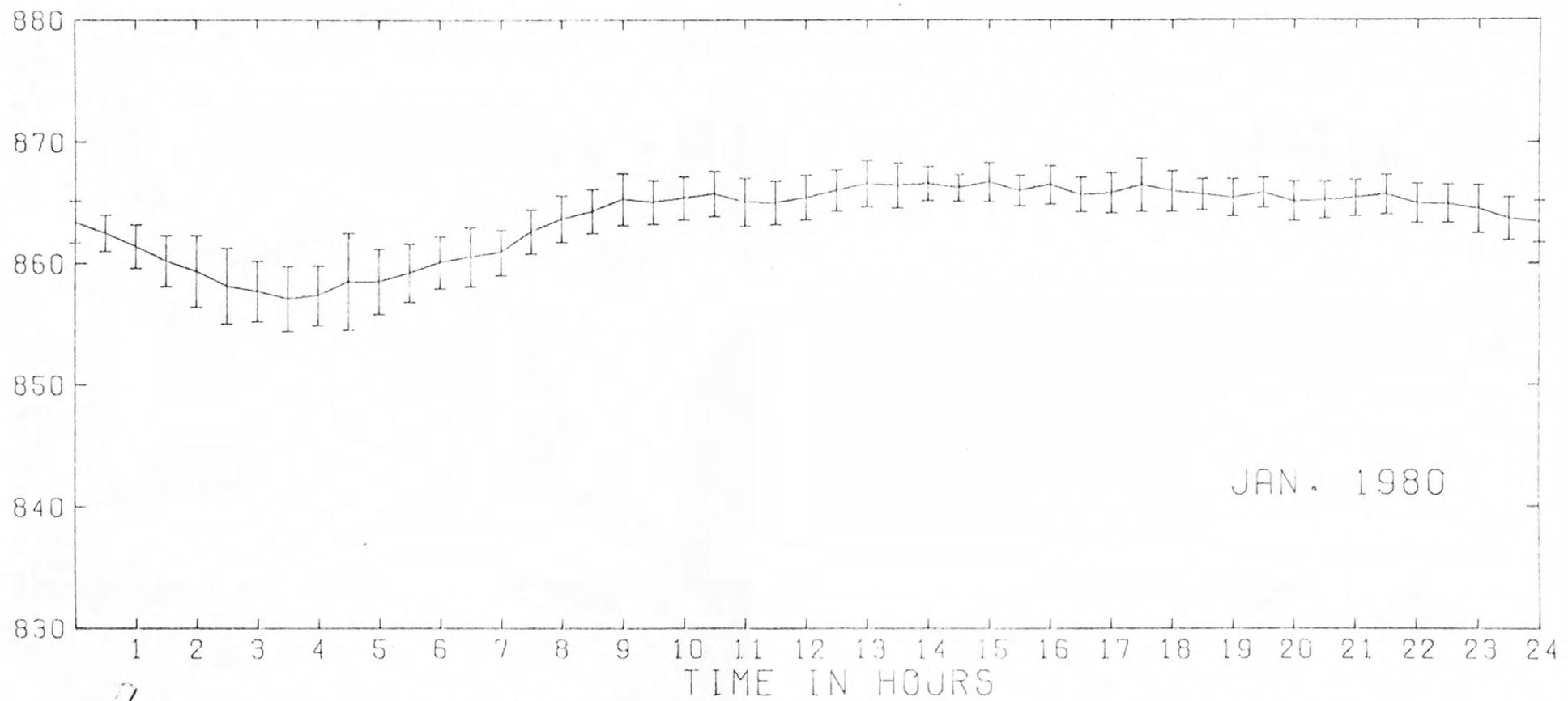


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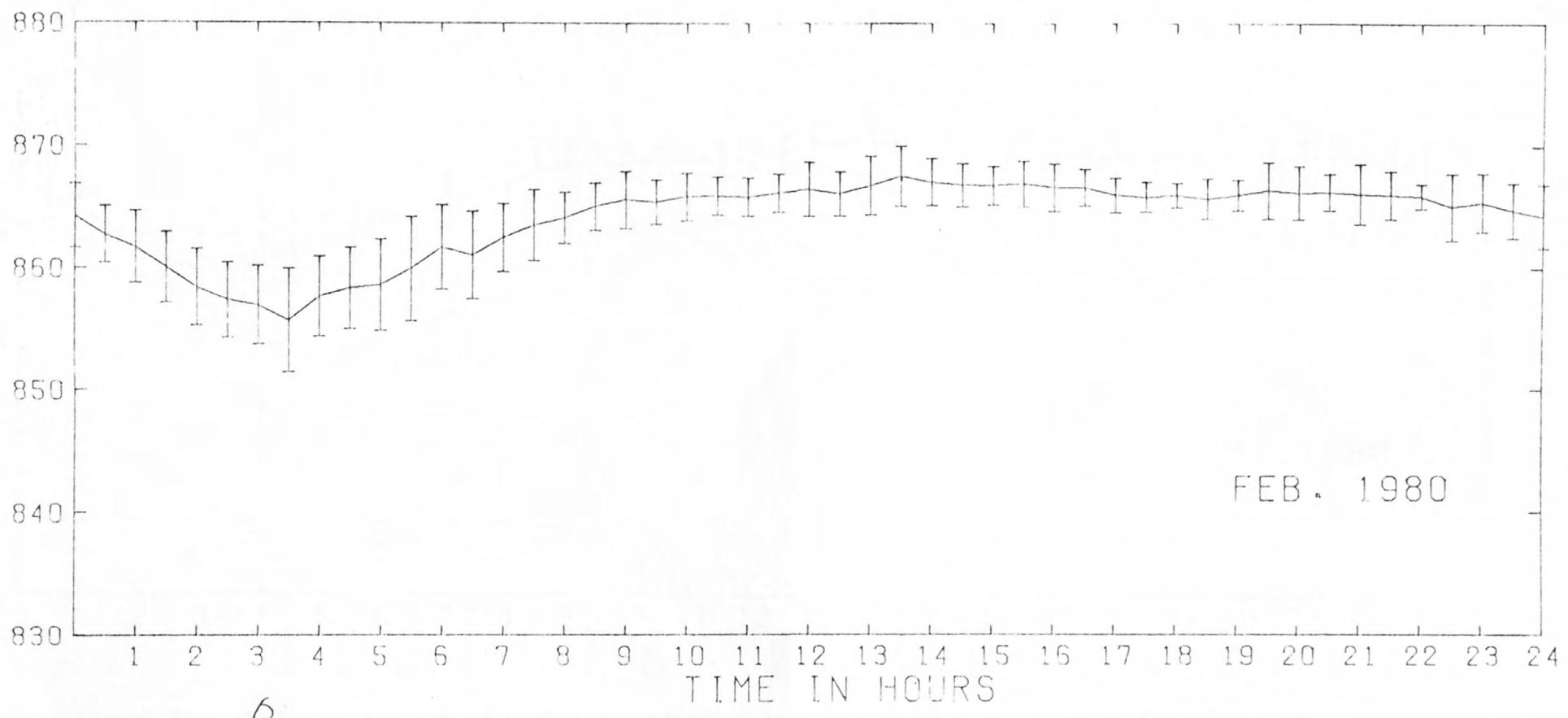


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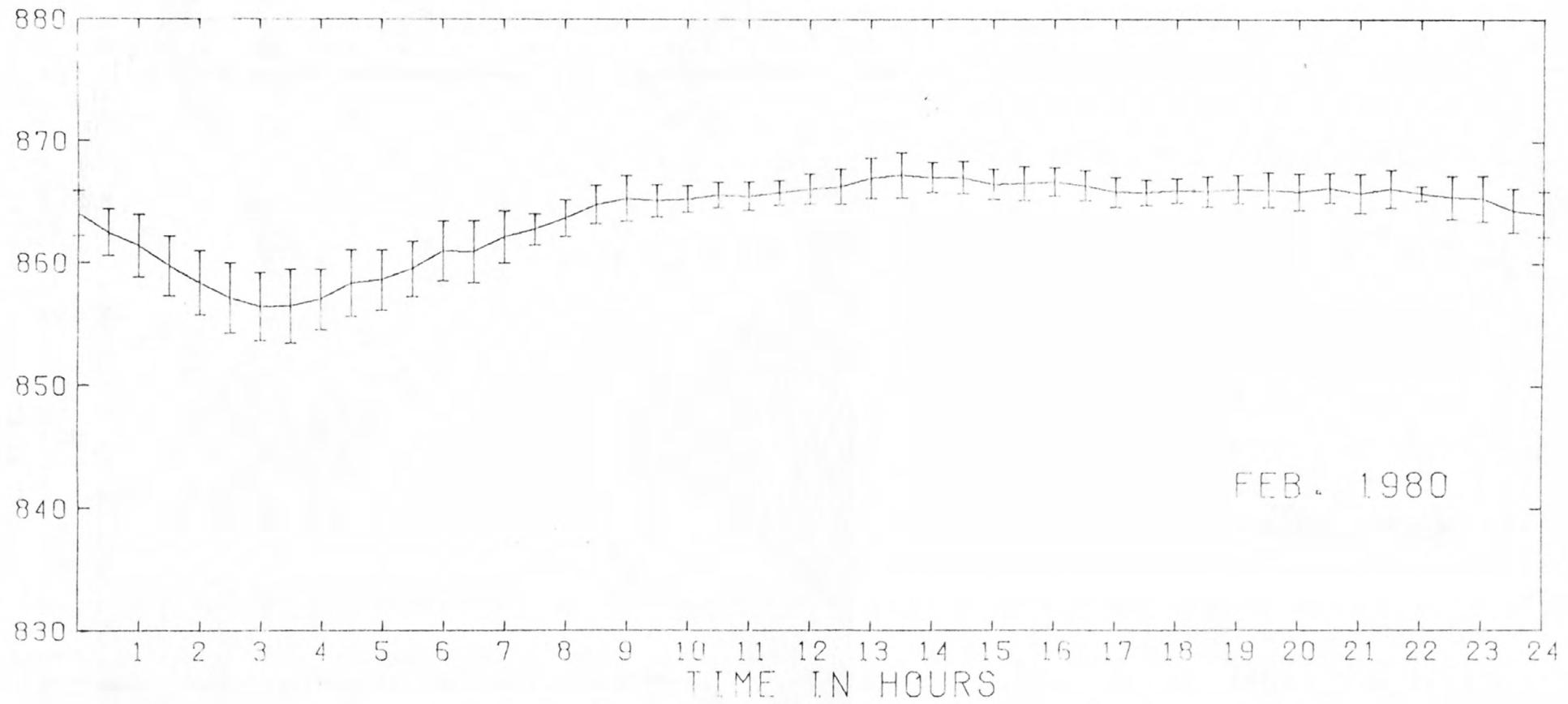


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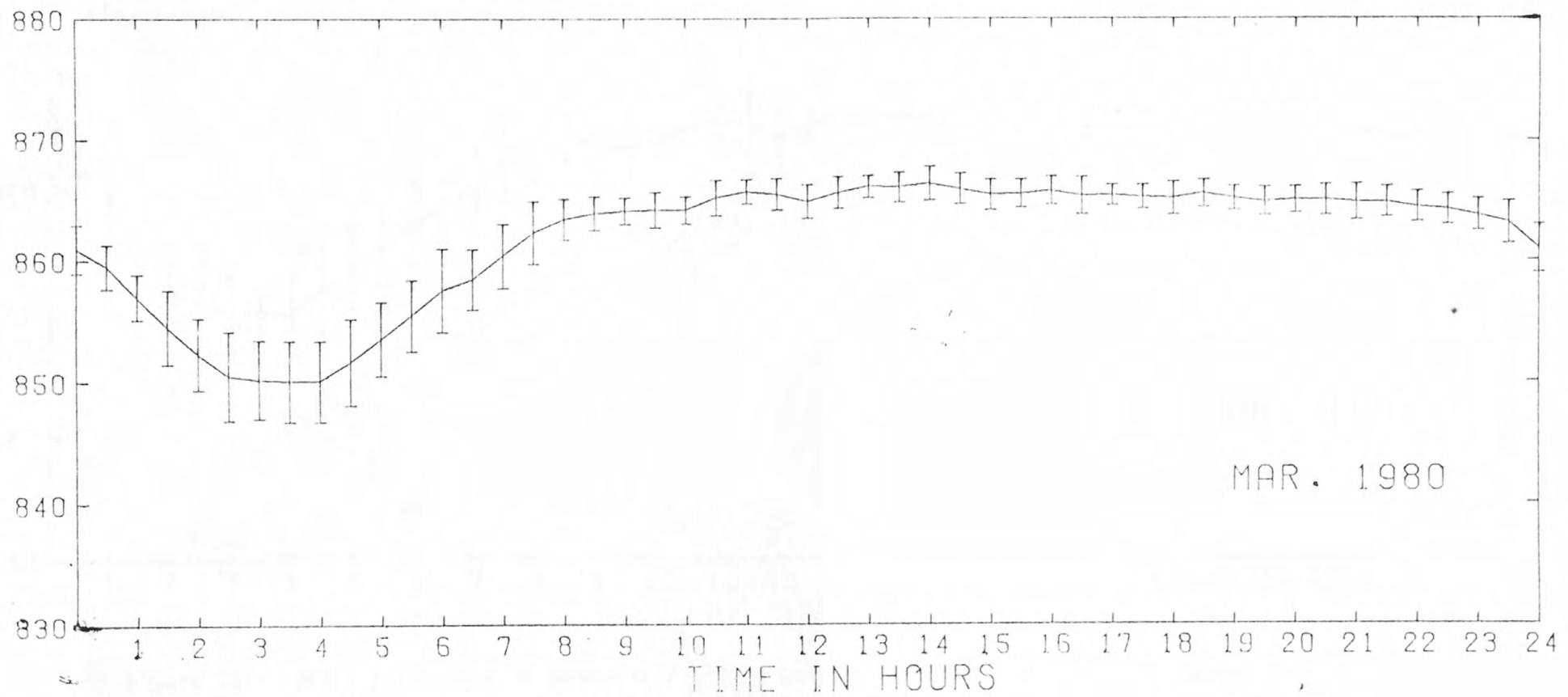


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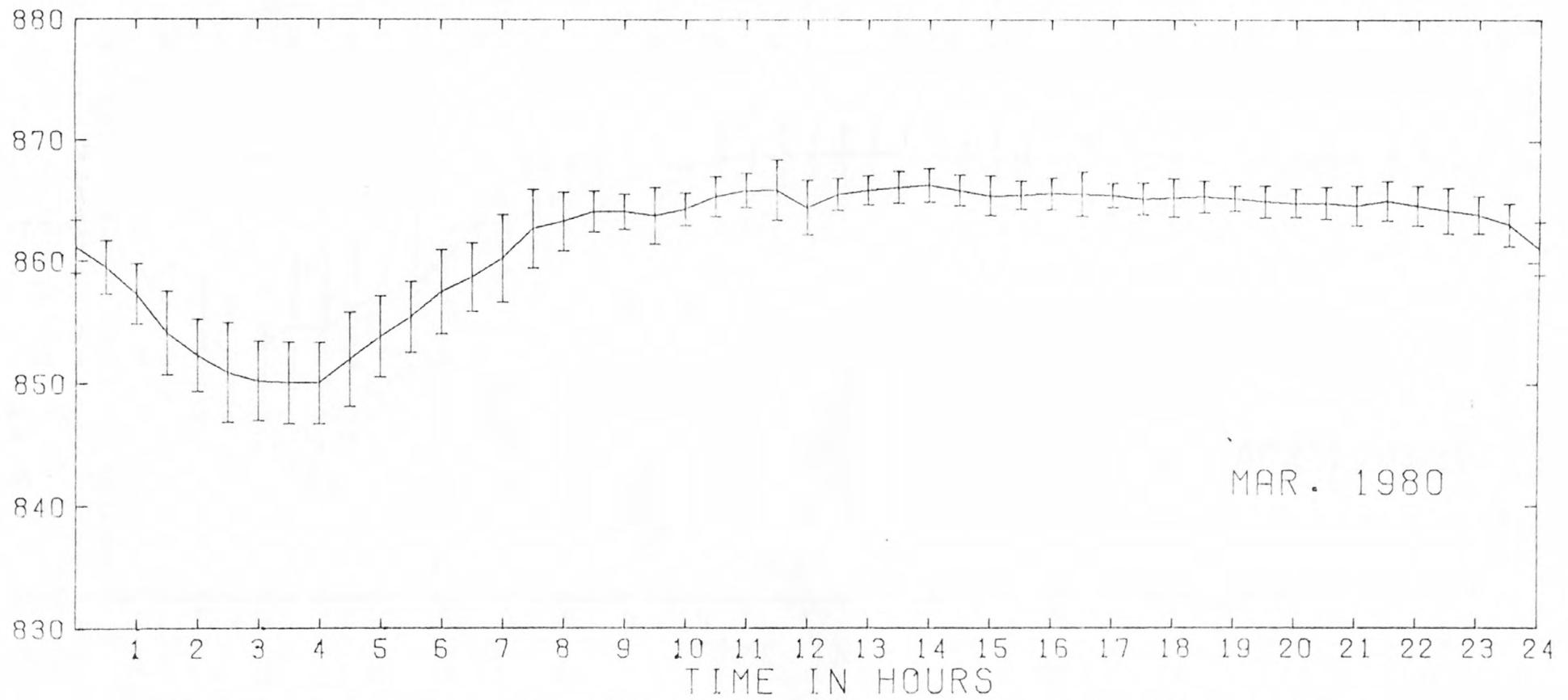


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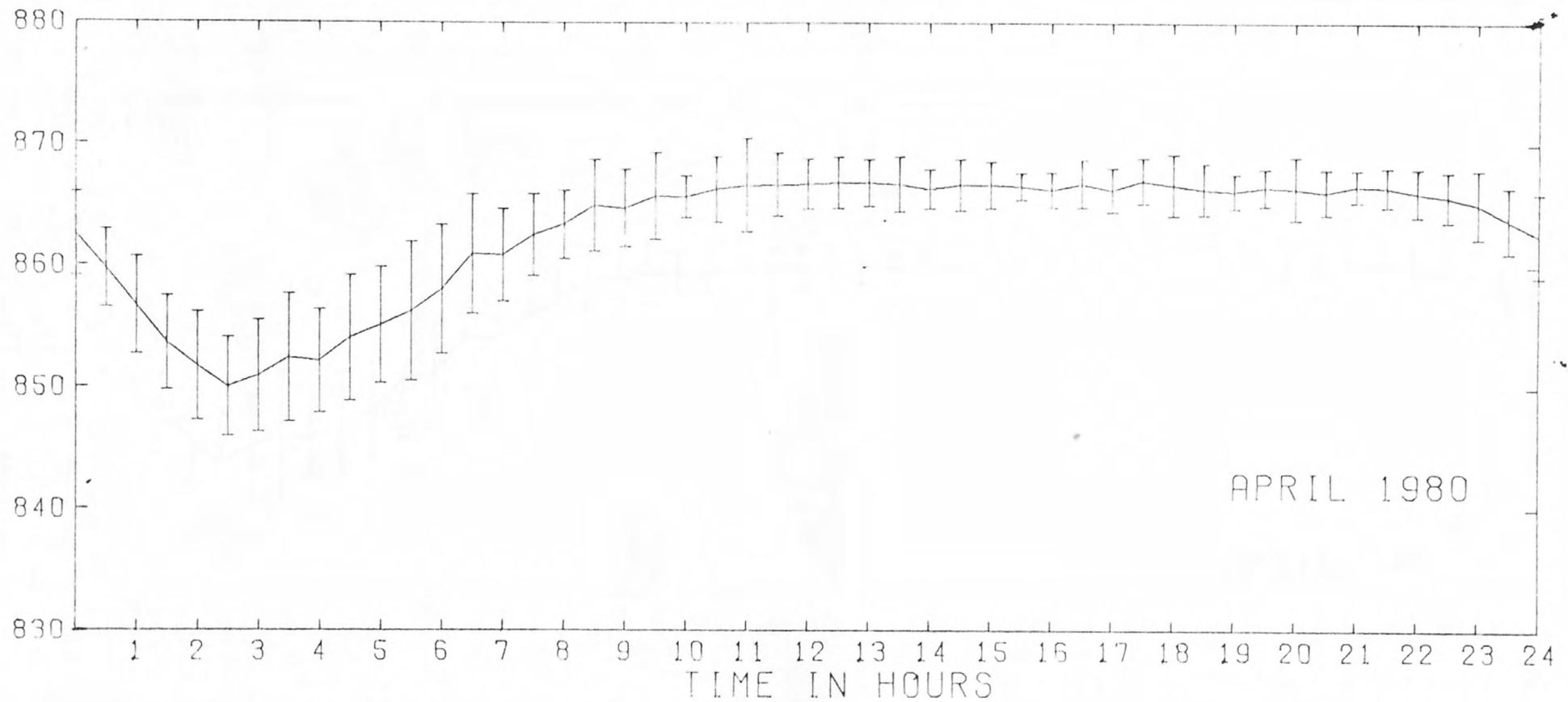


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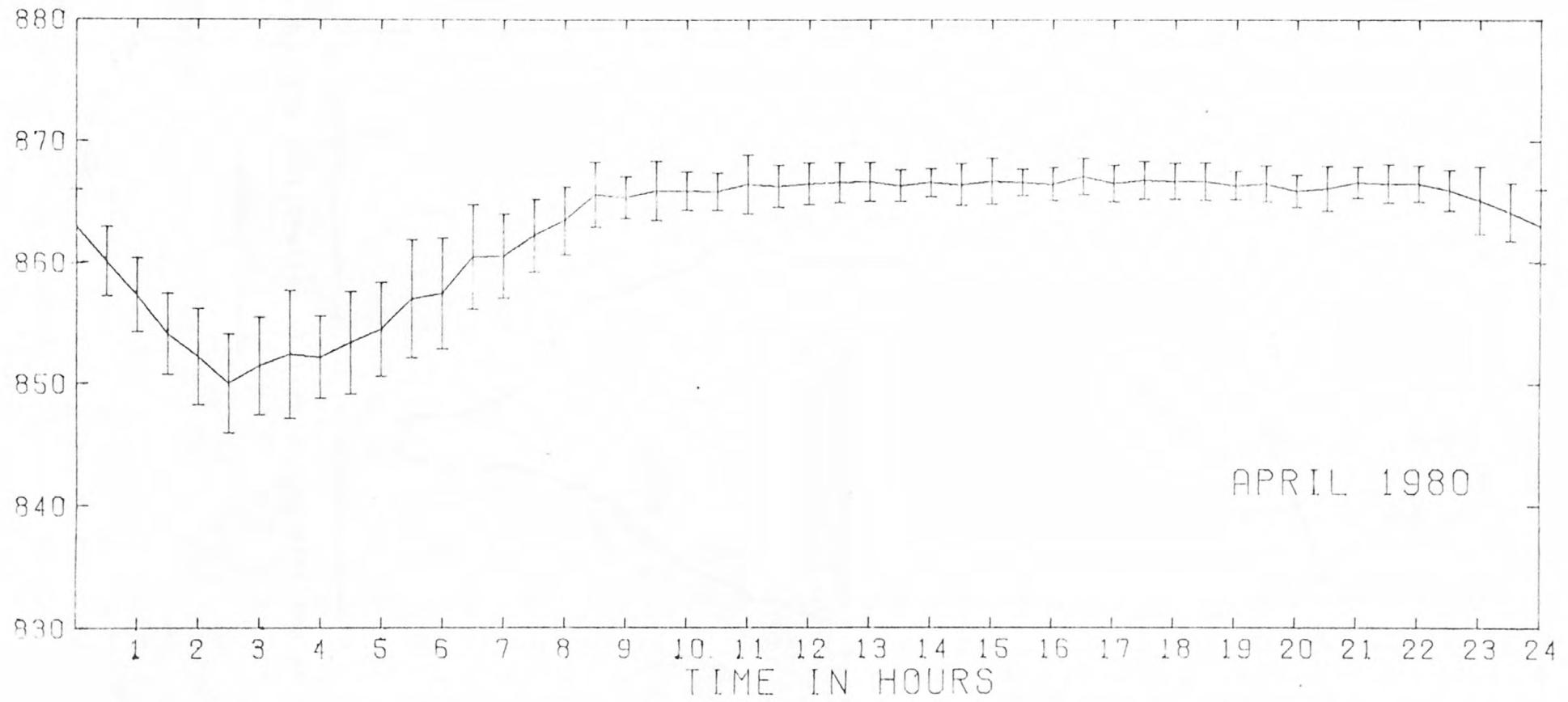


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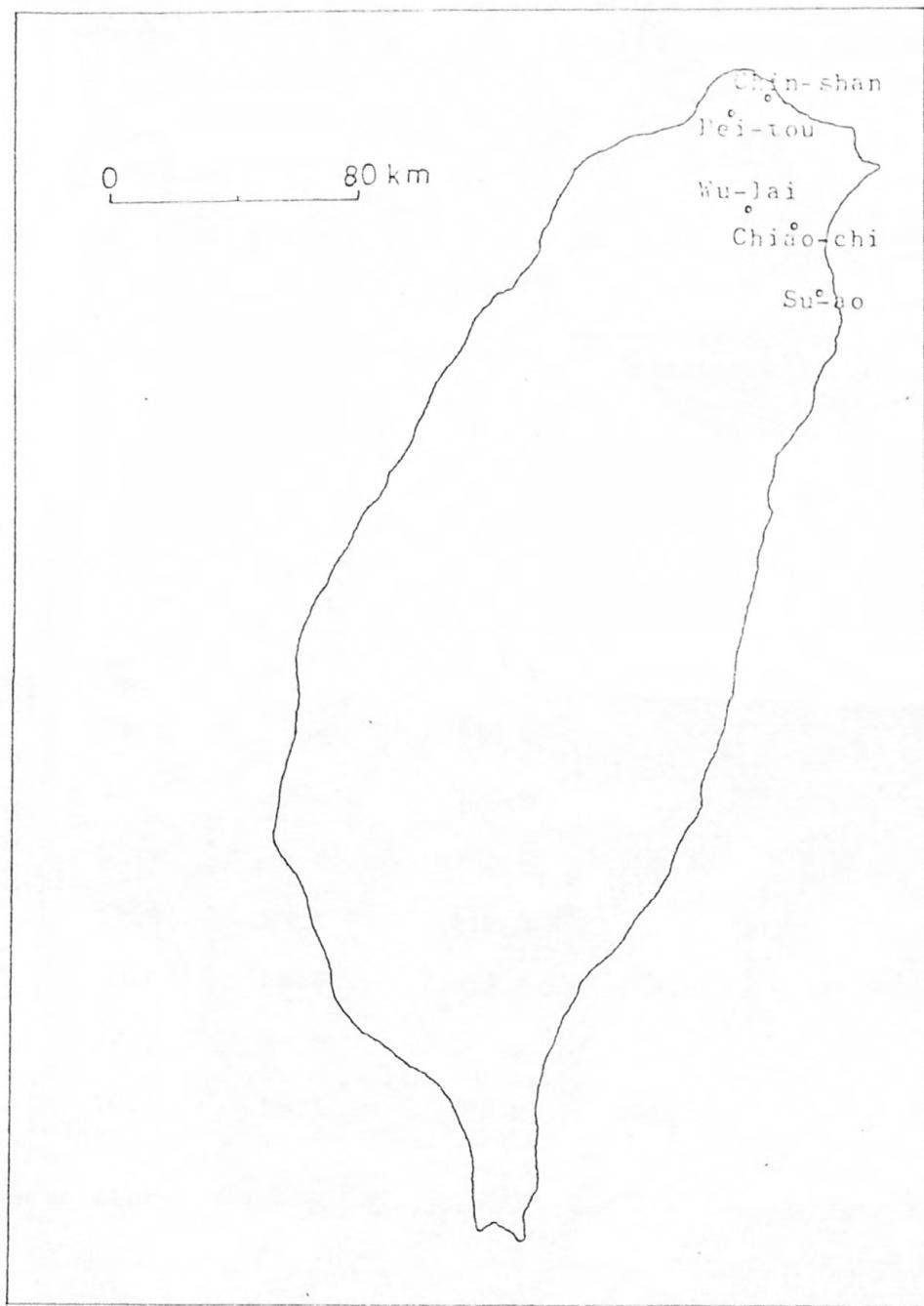


Figure 25. The distribution of five spring stations in north-eastern Taiwan.

	Chinshan	Peitou	Wulai	Chiaochi	Suao
March	25.4	33.5	120.2	118.5	
	20.8	28.4	124.2		
	5.7	36.4	132.8	134.9	230.8
April	21.2	25.7	156.2		
	28.3	31.7	102.7		
	21.4	28.4	158.9		
	18.7	28.0	150.0		
May	20.9	25.9	135.5	122.3	299.8
	17.4	24.4	149.5		
	22.6	24.0	155.7	126.0	405.9
	17.9	21.0	141.3		
June	16.0	28.1	153.9	134.0	478.4

Table 2. Radon concentrations (dpm/kg) of five spring stations.



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