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Sea-level rise may be one of the consequences of global warming. To understand changes in sea level caused by the "greenhouse effect," we must understand the factors that have caused the sea level to fluctuate significantly throughout history. This new volume explores current views among scientists on the causes and mechanisms of sea-level change. The authors examine measurement programs and make recommendations aimed at improving our understanding of the factors that affect sea level. It will be welcomed by scientists, engineers, and policymakers concerned about "greenhouse" issues and sea-level change, the environmental community, researchers, and students.

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Only a few centuries ago, we knew very little about our planet Earth. The Earth was considered flat by many although it was postulated by a few like Aristotle that it is spherical based on observations that included the study of lunar eclipses. Much later, Christopher Columbus successfully sailed to the West to discover the New World and Ferdinand Magellan's ship circumnavigated the globe to prove once and for all that the Earth is indeed a sphere. Worldwide navigation and explorations that followed made it clear that the Earth is huge and rather impossible to study solely by foot or by water. The advent of air travel made it a lot easier to do exploratory studies and enabled the mapping of the boundaries of continents and the oceans. But aircraft coverage was limited and it was not until the satellite era that full coverage of the Earth's surface became available. Many of the early satellites were research satellites and that meant in part the development of engineering measurement systems with no definite

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applications in mind. The Nimbus-5 Electrically Scanning Microwave Radiometer (ESMR) was a classic case in point. The sensor was built with the idea that it may be useful for meteorological research and especially rainfall studies over the oceans, but success in this area of study was very limited.

Introduction: Actual wind observations extending to above the tropopause are now available on a circumpolar basis, at least within certain restricted latitude belts of the northern hemisphere. As discussed in PART I of the FINAL REPORT, an extensive study of the atmospheric angular momentum balance was undertaken by the General Circulation Project utilizing the data obtained from such wind observations. These investigations involved the making of estimates of the mean flux of angular momentum across certain latitude circles at a number of levels in the atmosphere, through the averaging of the corresponding local momentum transports calculated for a hemispheric network of stations. The stations used were situated at or close to the respective latitude circles and distributed fairly symmetrically around the globe. It is still not possible to study the day-to-day fluctuations of the momentum flux across an entire latitude circle by using presently available actual wind data; only mean values over long periods of time can be expected to be fairly representative. For the year

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1950, such estimates were prepared for five latitude belts of the northern hemisphere. The calculations involved a tabulation of daily values of both the zonal and the meridional wind components for a large number of stations scattered throughout the hemisphere. The basic material was obtained from United States Weather Bureau Daily Series, Synoptic Weather Maps, in which daily observations of upper-air winds are reported, the time of observation being at or closest to 0300 Z. It was decided to make use of this tabulated material for a more detailed study of the atmospheric general circulation, the results of which are presented in the present paper. For each individual station and for six standard pressure levels in the free atmosphere yearly mean values of the two wind components were calculated together with their standard deviations and values of the local momentum flux. Temporal coefficients of correlation between simultaneous values of the two wind components were likewise computed. The hemispheric distributions of the different statistical quantities are represented herein by isolines drawn on circumpolar maps. From these maps one can easily evaluate zonally averaged values of the momentum flux and of the other statistical quantities by integrating along the latitude circles. However, the analyzed isoline configurations are by necessity uncertain over large regions of the hemisphere because of lack of

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sufficient data. As it actually turns out, this method cannot therefore be expected to furnish essentially better estimates of the angular momentum balance than those obtained directly from the station data. All previously published studies of the upper-air circulation over the entire hemisphere were largely based on geostrophic winds computed from the observed or extrapolated pressure and temperature distributions in the atmosphere. The present study may serve as an indication of what can be obtained from the direct observed wind data now available, but the usefulness of the results is of course limited, since they are based on only one year of data, and also for other reasons

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