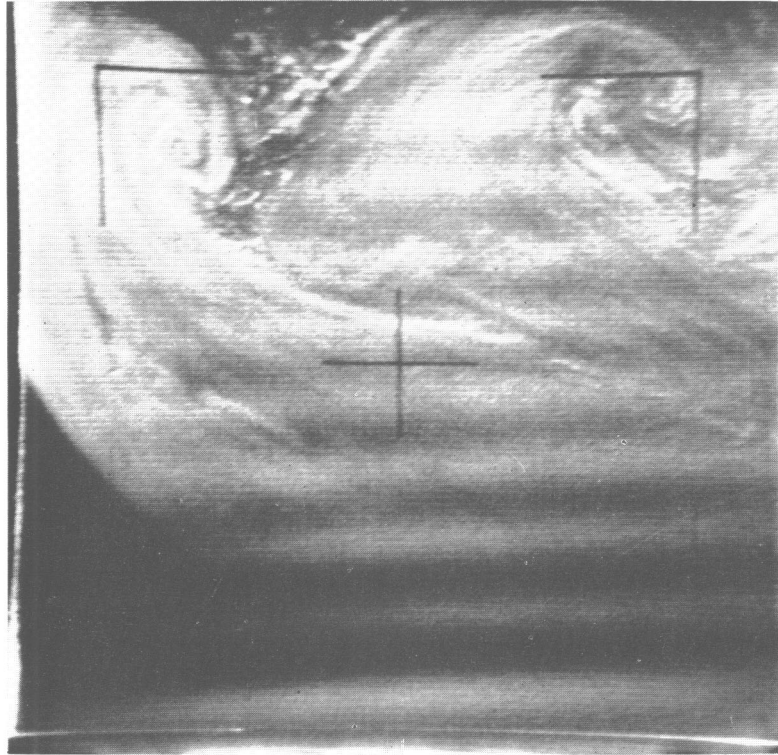


PICTURE OF THE MONTH



This TIROS V photograph (pass 542/541, frame 12) was taken over the far southern Indian Ocean on July 27, 1962, at approximately 0720 GMT, and was received at Wallops Station via tape mode. North is roughly toward the top of the picture.

The two apparent vortices are only about 450 miles apart, an unusually short distance for synoptic-scale features. The one on the left is centered approximately

at 55° S., 103° E., and the one on the right near 54° S., 115° E. Zone time at the 105th meridian would be about 2:20 p.m., but at these far southern latitudes in July the sun is near the northwestern horizon at this hour. Twilight is invading the southeastern (lower right) portion of the picture. The alternate light and dark bands across the bottom are due to electronic interference and represent no real feature.