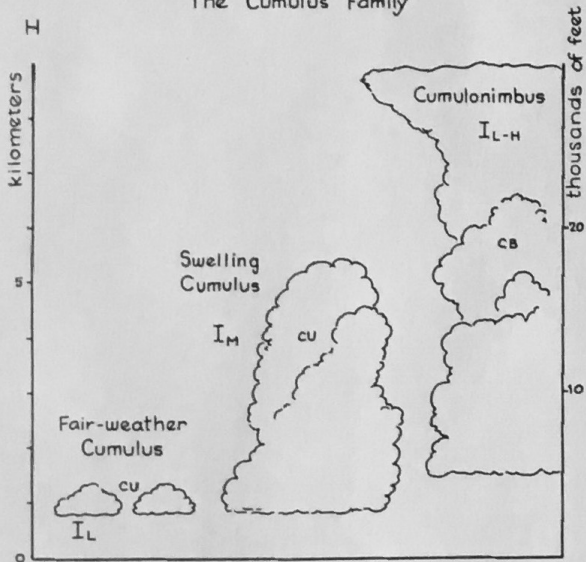


CLOUD CLASSIFICATION

| GROUP (av.) | Tier or Layer | | |
|-------------------------|--|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Low (0-3 km) | Middle (3-7 km) | High (> 7 km) |
| I (HEAP) | cumulus fair- weather | swelling cumulus | cumulo- nimbus (non-precip.) |
| II (LAYER) | stratus | alto- stratus | cirro- stratus |
| III (LAYERS & HEAPS) | strato- cumulus | alto- cumulus | cirro- cumulus |
| IV (PRECIPITATING) | nimbostratus | | cirrus cumulonimbus |
| V (UNUSUAL) | separate listing <i>(note: 1 km = 3280 ft.)</i> | | |

GROUP I HEAP CLOUDS The Cumulus Family



GROUP II LAYER CLOUDS The Stratus Family

