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ARCTIC OPERATION

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X Tragedy mars an Arctic warfare training exercise by troops of Canada's famous Princess Patricia's Light Infantry. Flying over snow-covered Alberta province, paratroopers of the Princess Pat first battalion drop their equipment in a mock assault to capture an air strip. Ammunition, food, tents, guns pour out. Parachutes pop open automatically and the supplies float safely to earth.

X The word is given and the paratroopers jump. Quickly ~~the~~ the first battalion bails out. Again the chutes snap open. The hazardous operation ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ apparently is going smoothly --- but watch:

X At the top of the screen, Private Donald Mason's chute streams in the air. It refuses to open. Mason is unable to release his emergency chute. He plummets eight hundred feet to the earth, and to his death.

X Six other soldiers are injured as the mass drop continues -- casualties while strengthening the ~~xxxxxxxx~~ continent's defense against invasion from the Arctic.