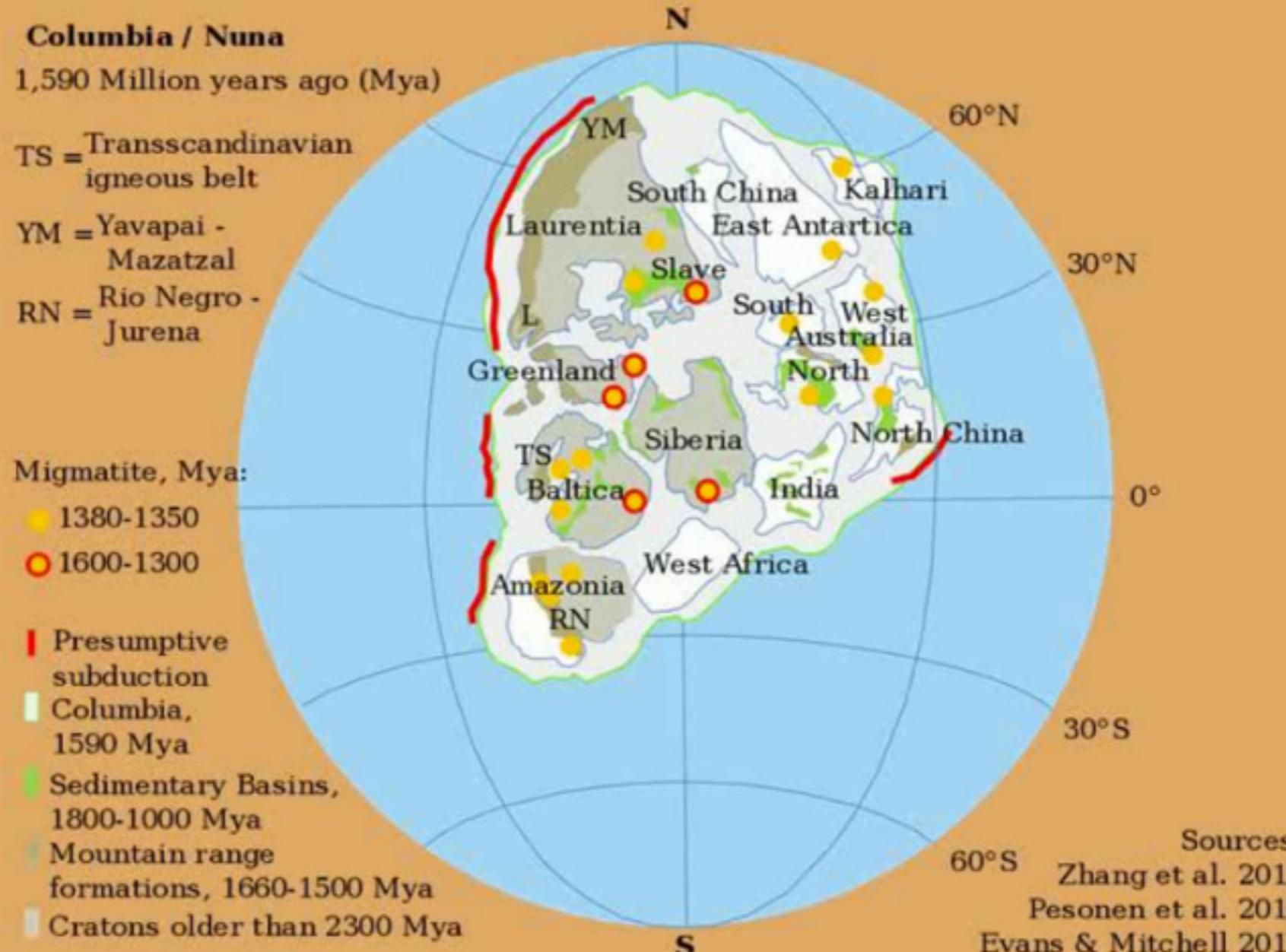
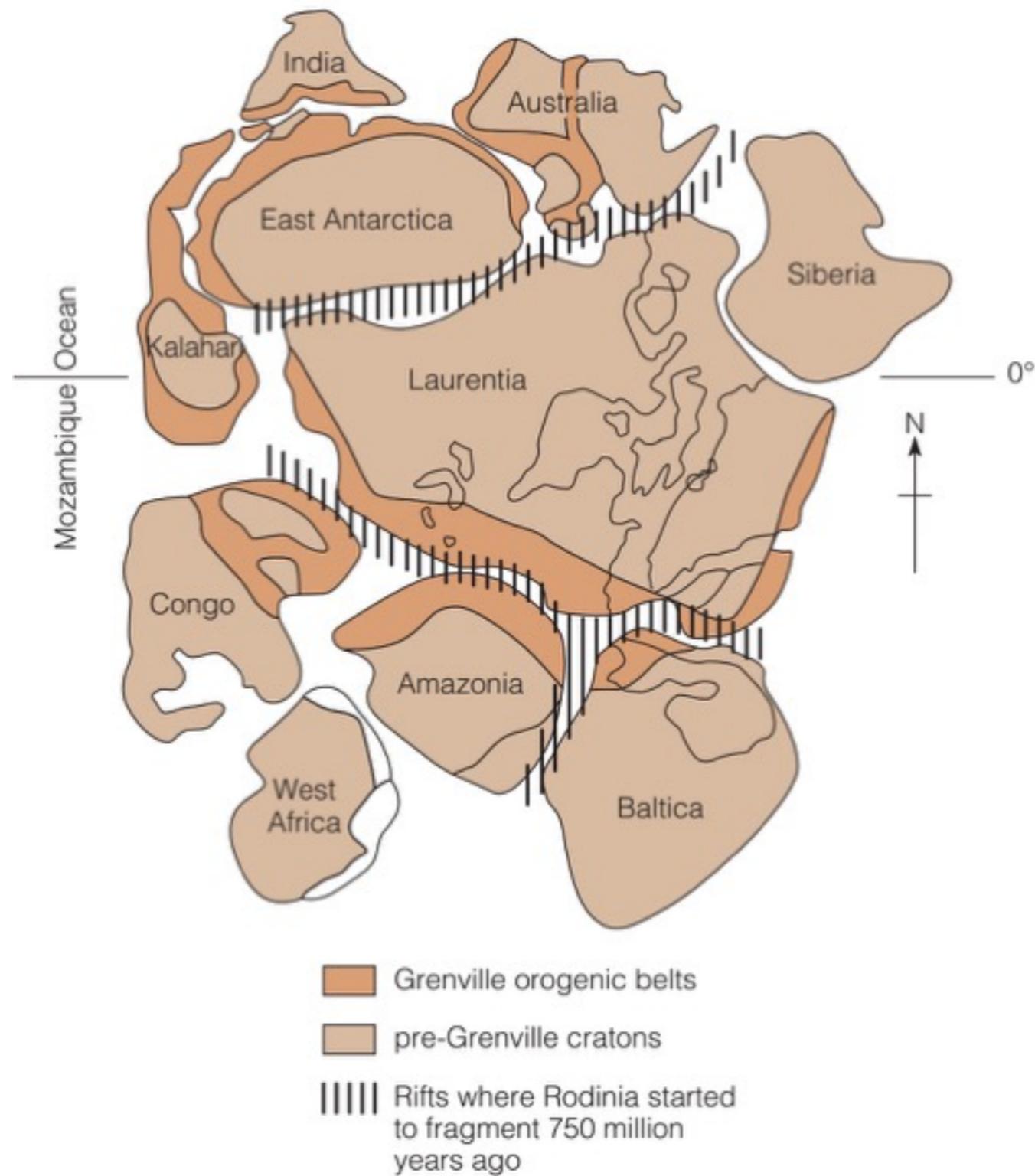


Columbia Supercontinent (1.5 Ga.)

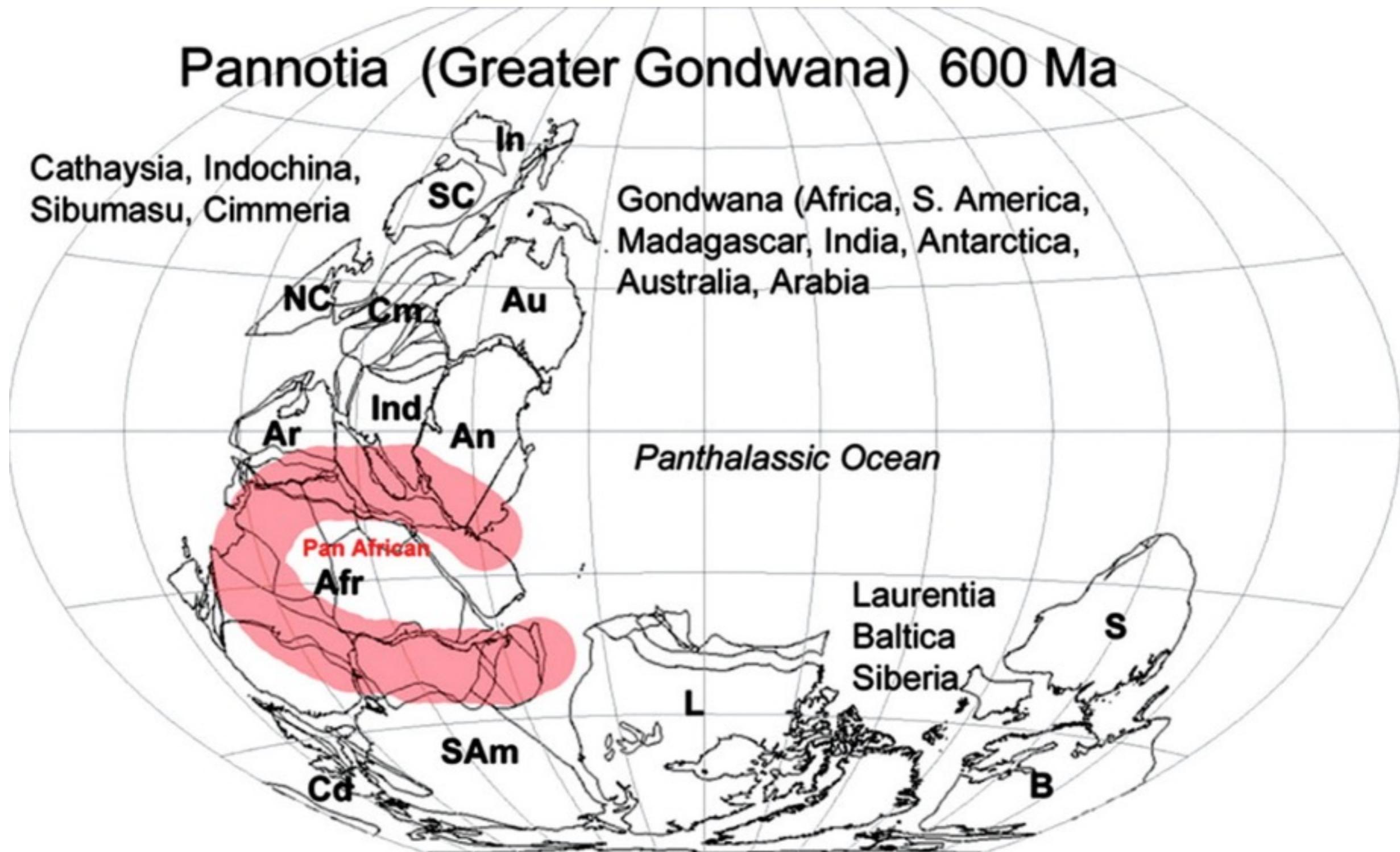
Columbia (supercontinent)



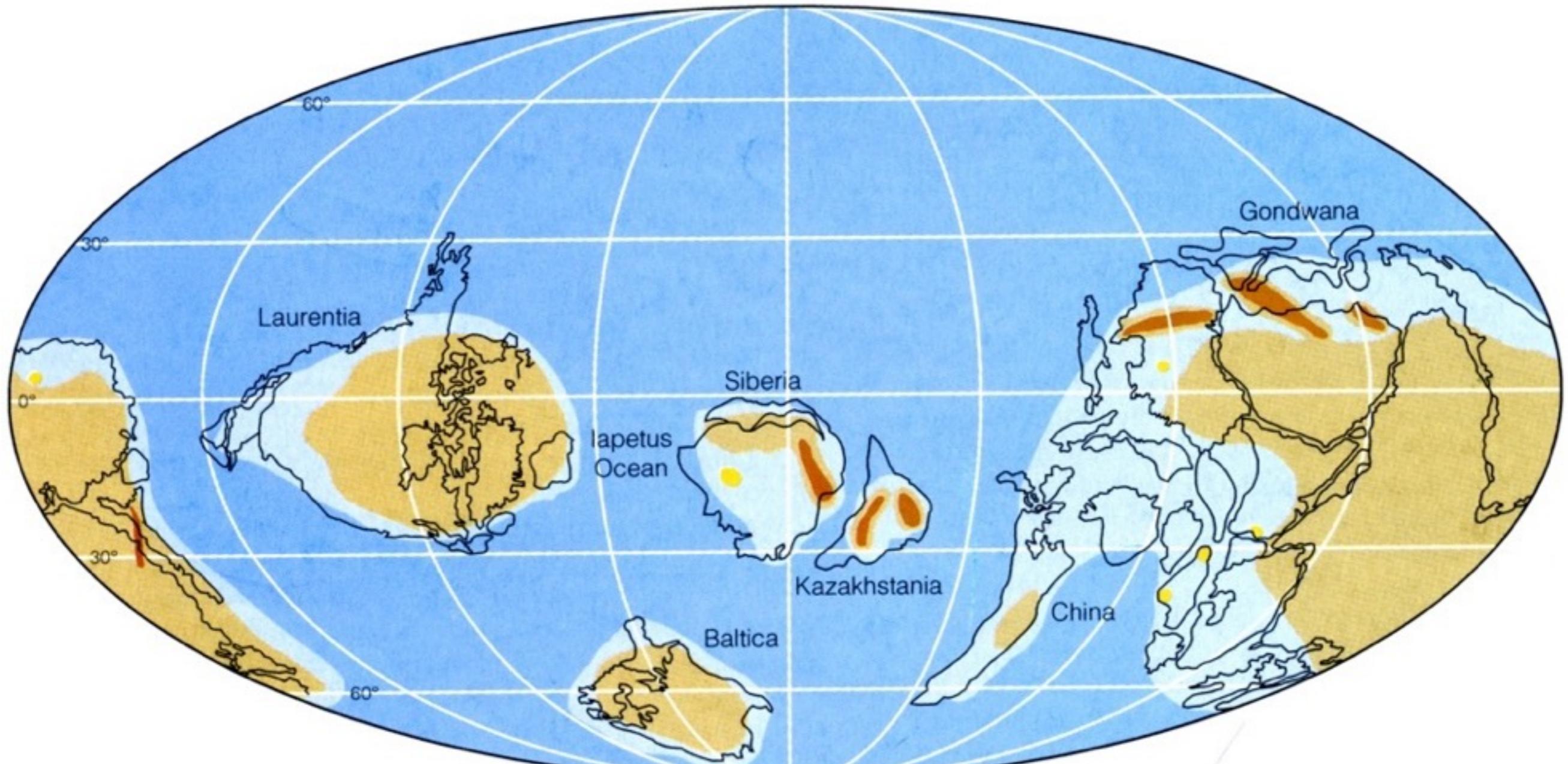
Rodinia Supercontinent (750 Ma.)



Pannotia Supercontinent (600 Ma)



Late Cambrian Paleogeography



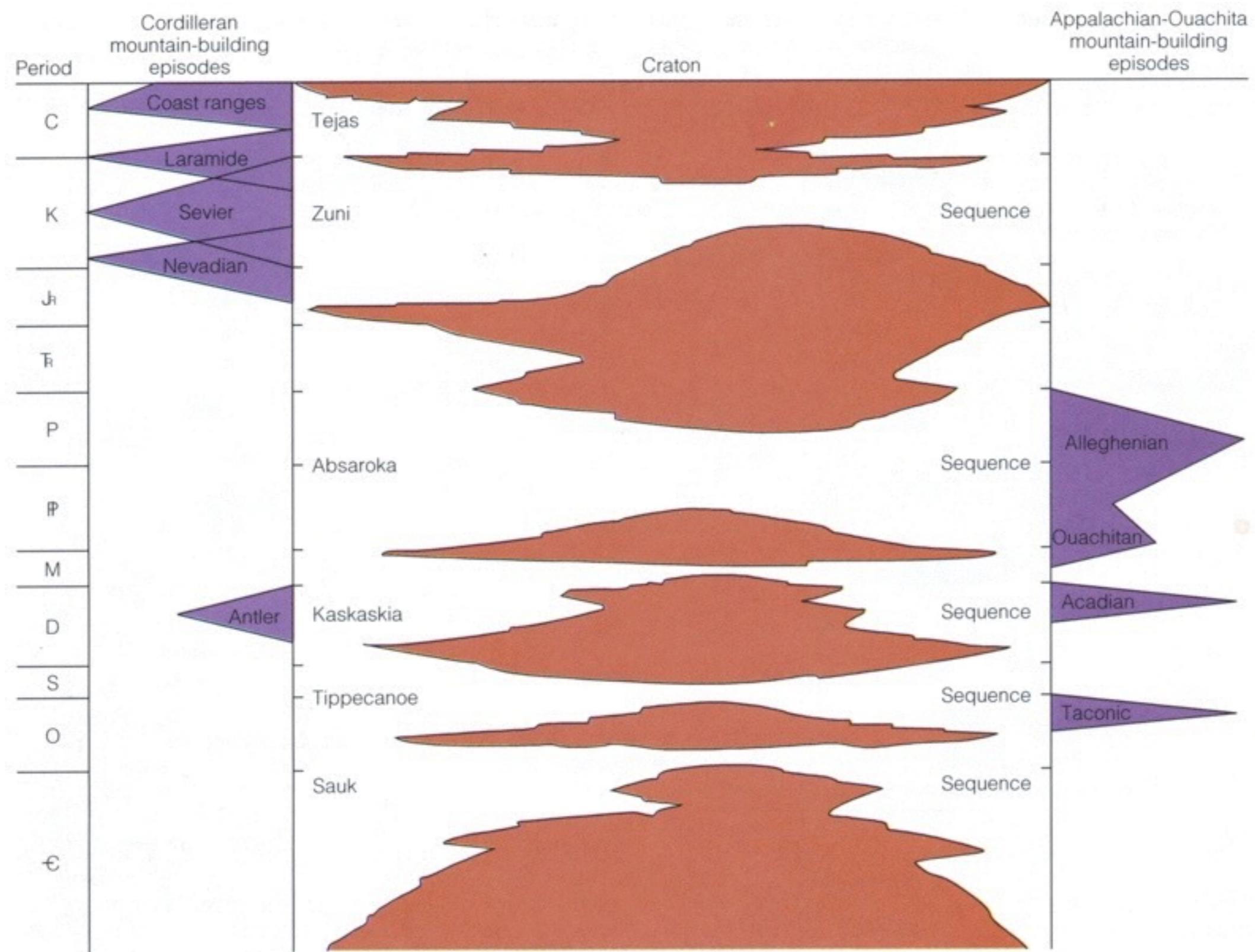
(a) Late Cambrian Period (523-505 M.Y.A.)

■ Evaporites ■ Lowlands ■ Mountains ■ Shallow sea ■ Deep ocean

Geologic Structures in Cambrian Laurentia



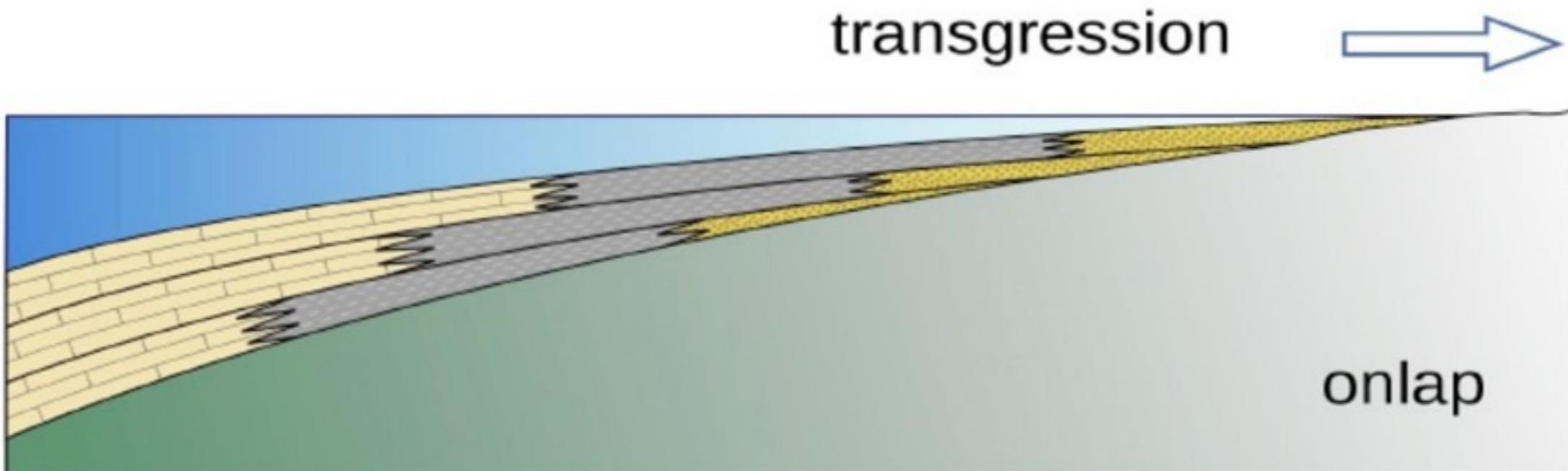
The Sloss Seas



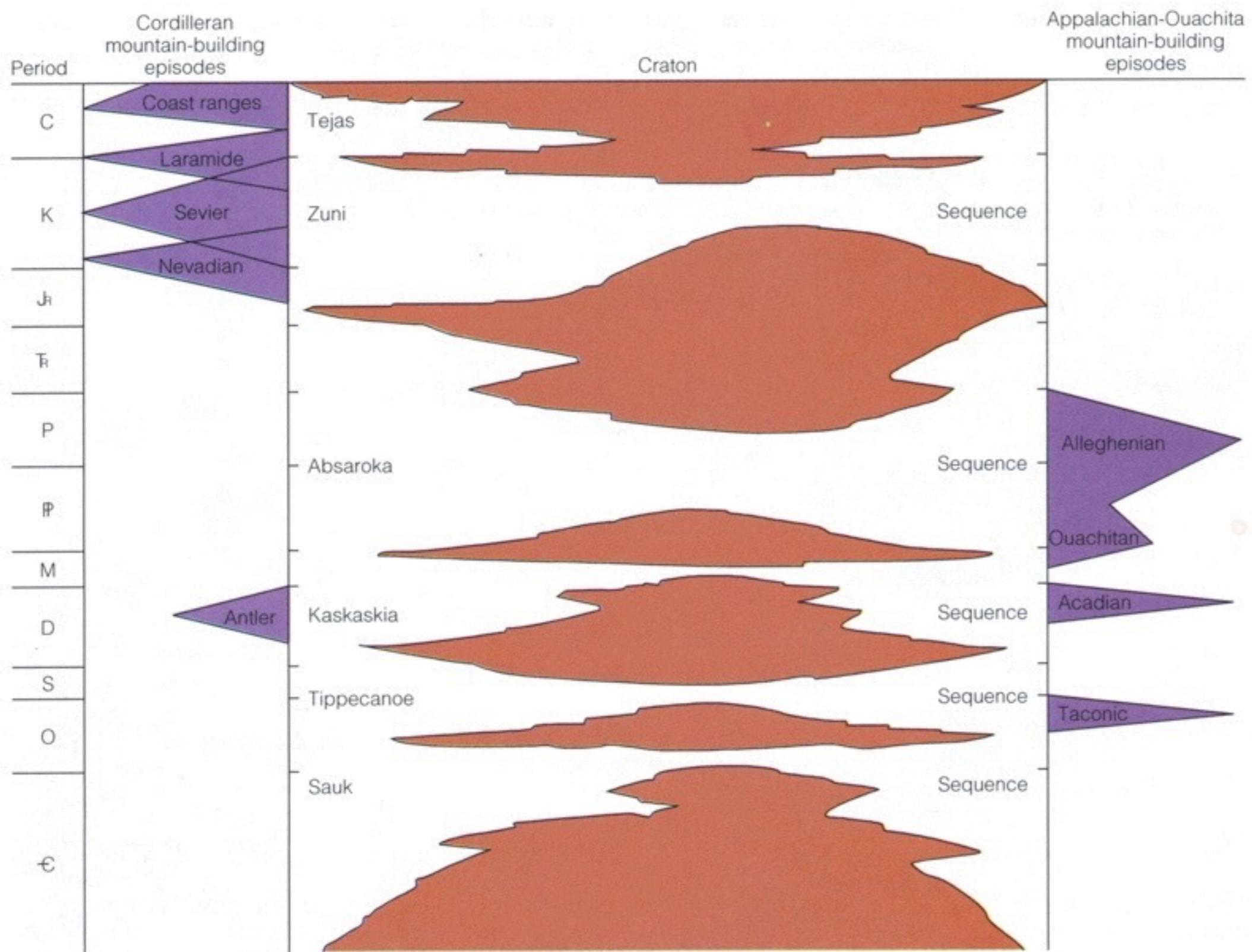
Marine Transgression

Walther's Law

- ❖ Facies show a **transgressive** pattern when the sediment supply is overpowered by a relative rise in sea level, or when the land subsides tectonically. Both cause the shoreline to move landward



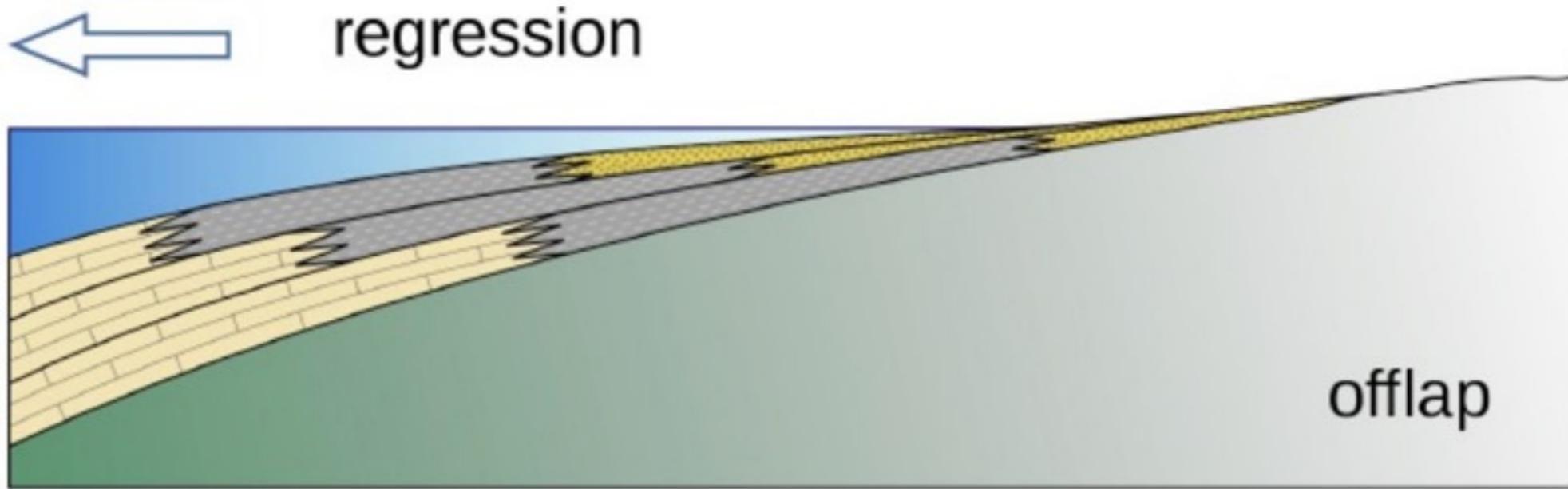
The Sloss Seas



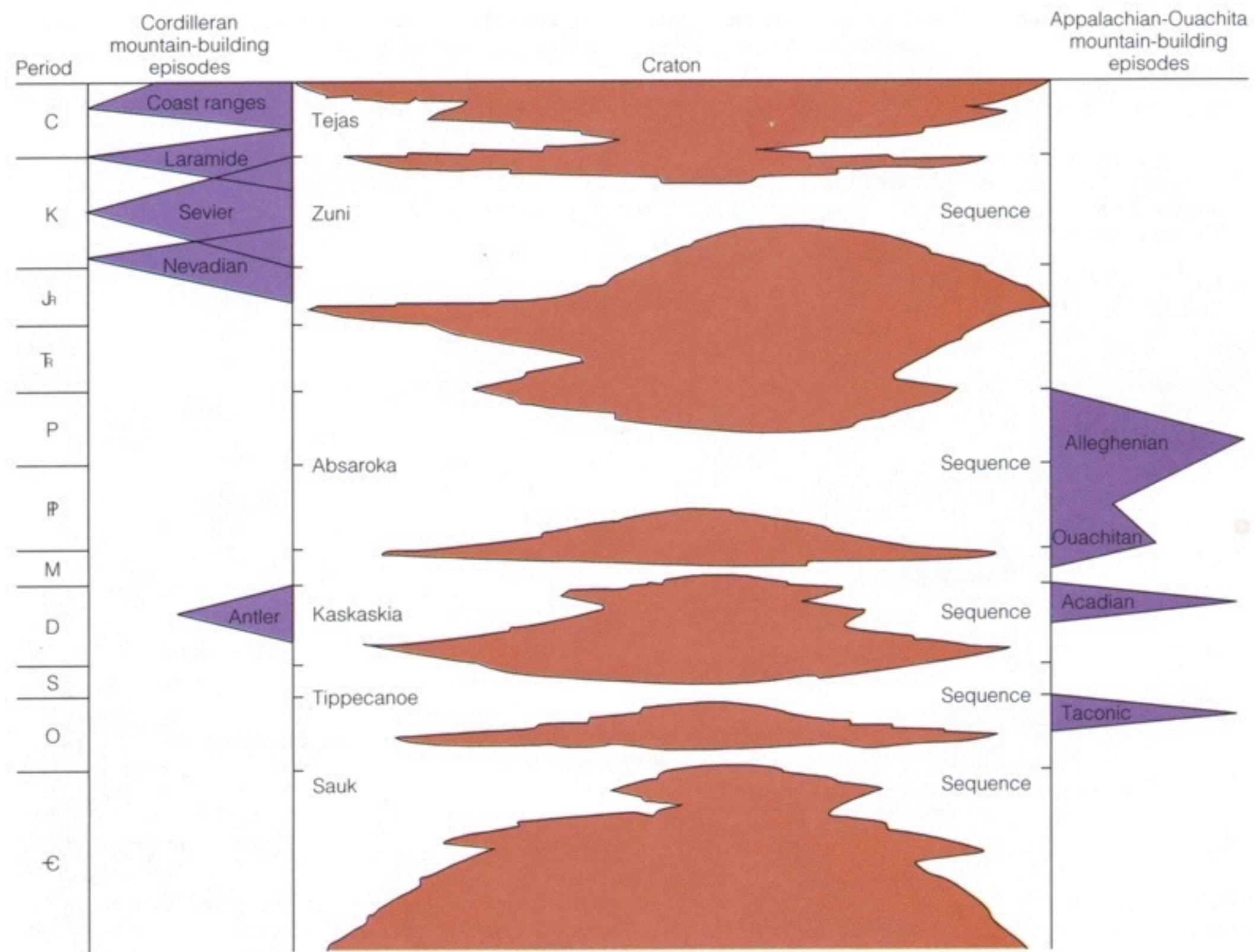
Marine Regression

Walther's Law

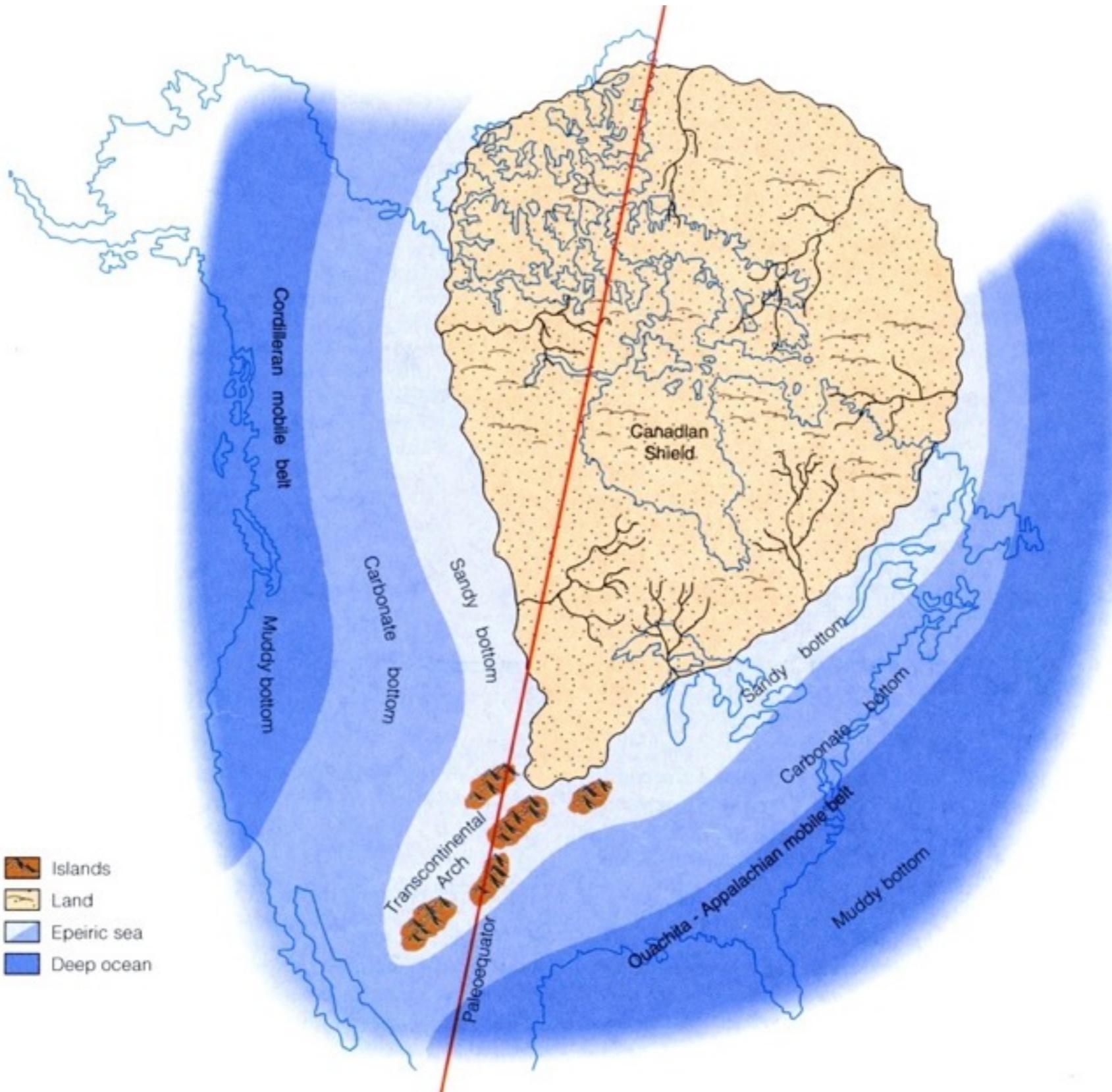
- ❖ Facies show a **regression** pattern when the shoreline moves seaward due to an excess sediment supply from land, when the land is tectonically uplifted and the sea level retreats, or when there is a relative lowering of sea level.



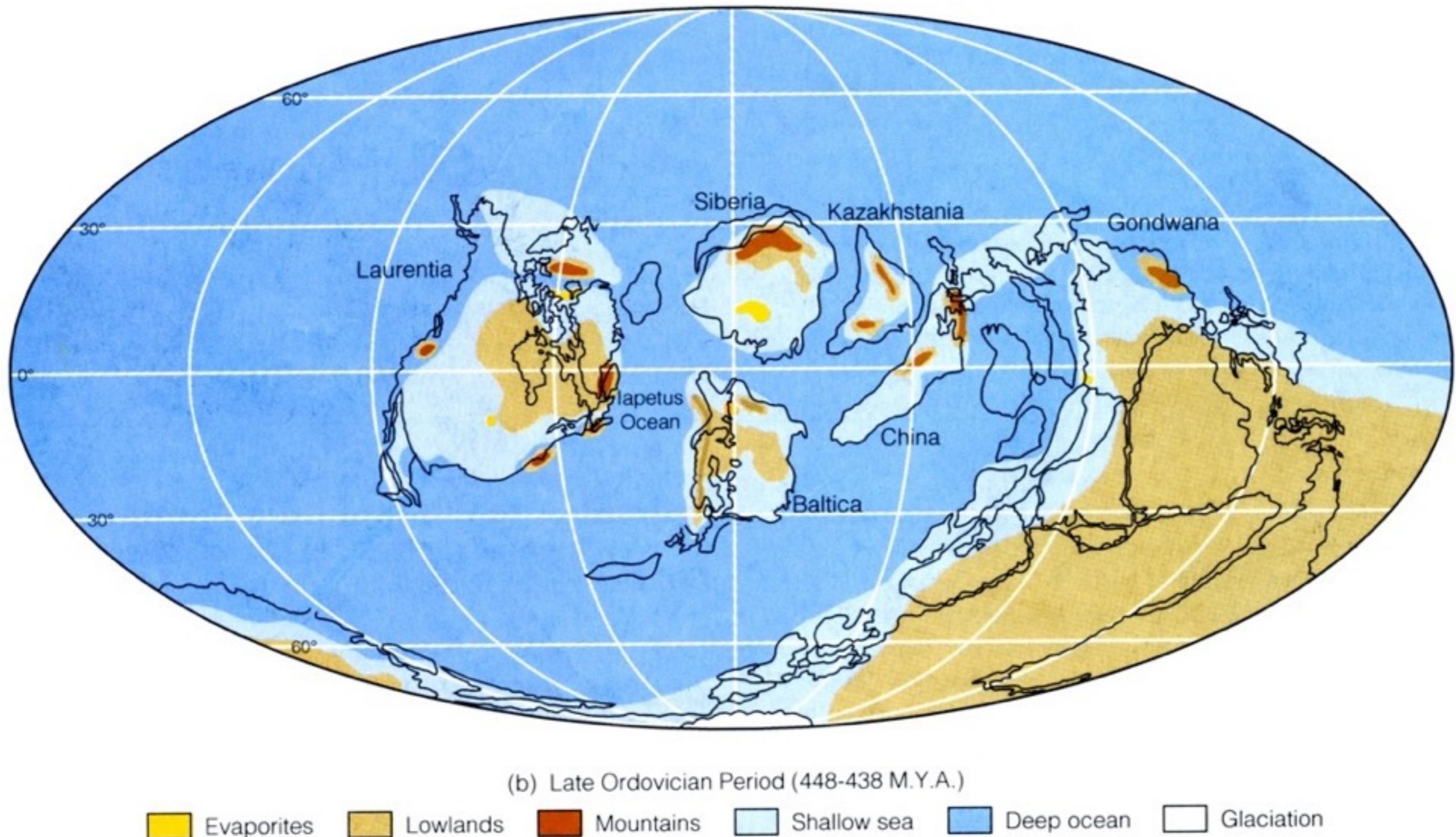
The Sloss Seas



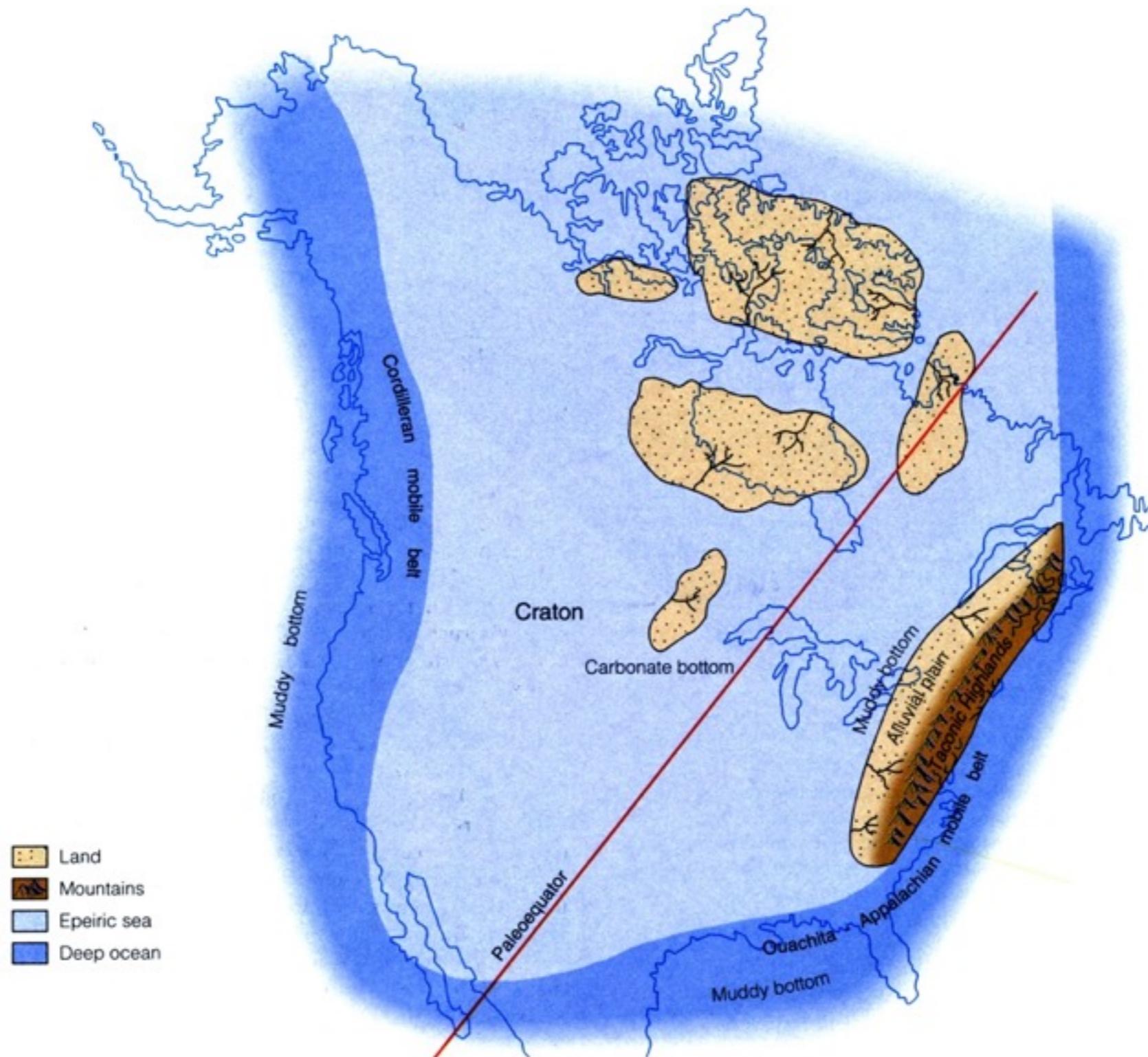
Laurentia in the Cambrian Period



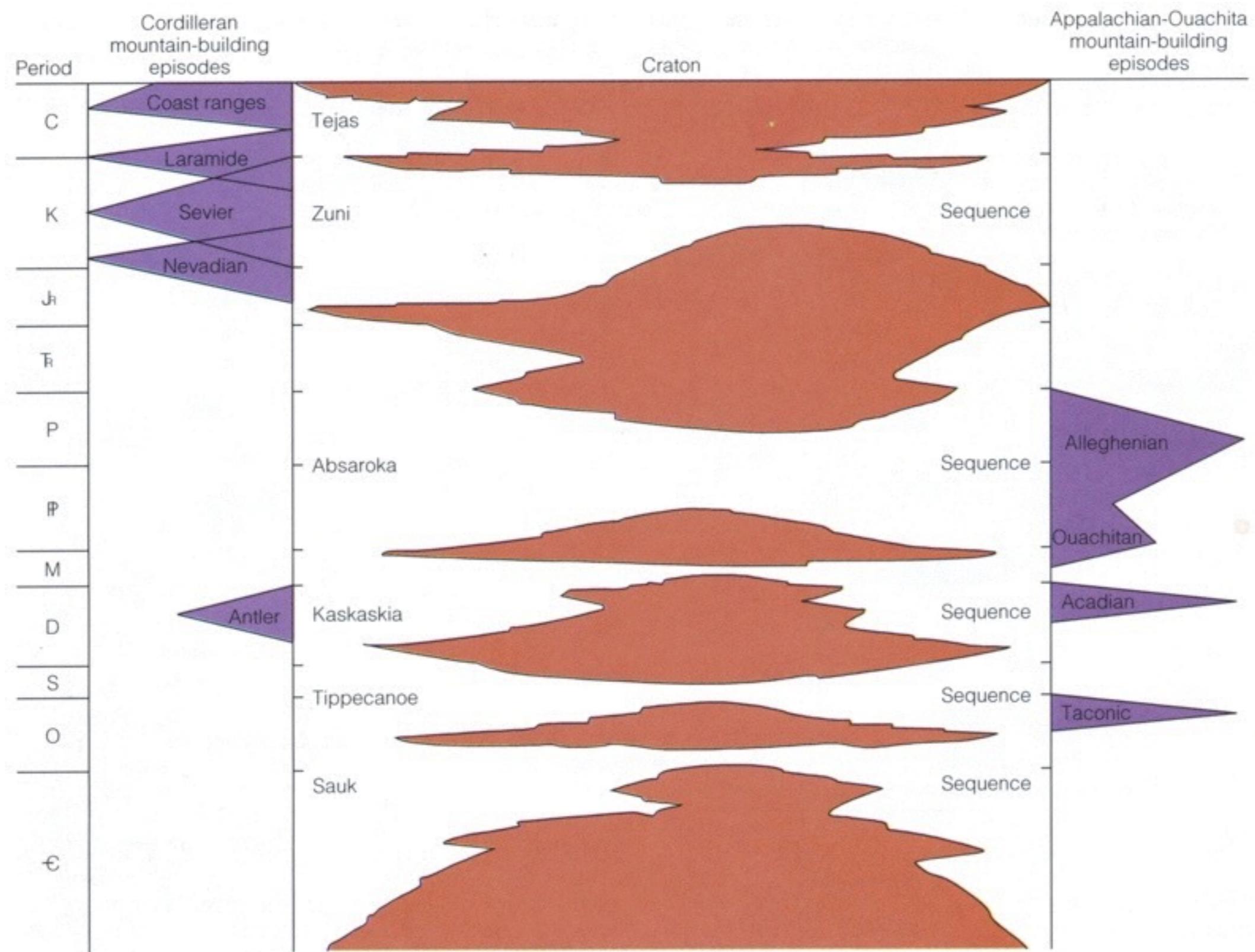
Ordovician Paleogeography



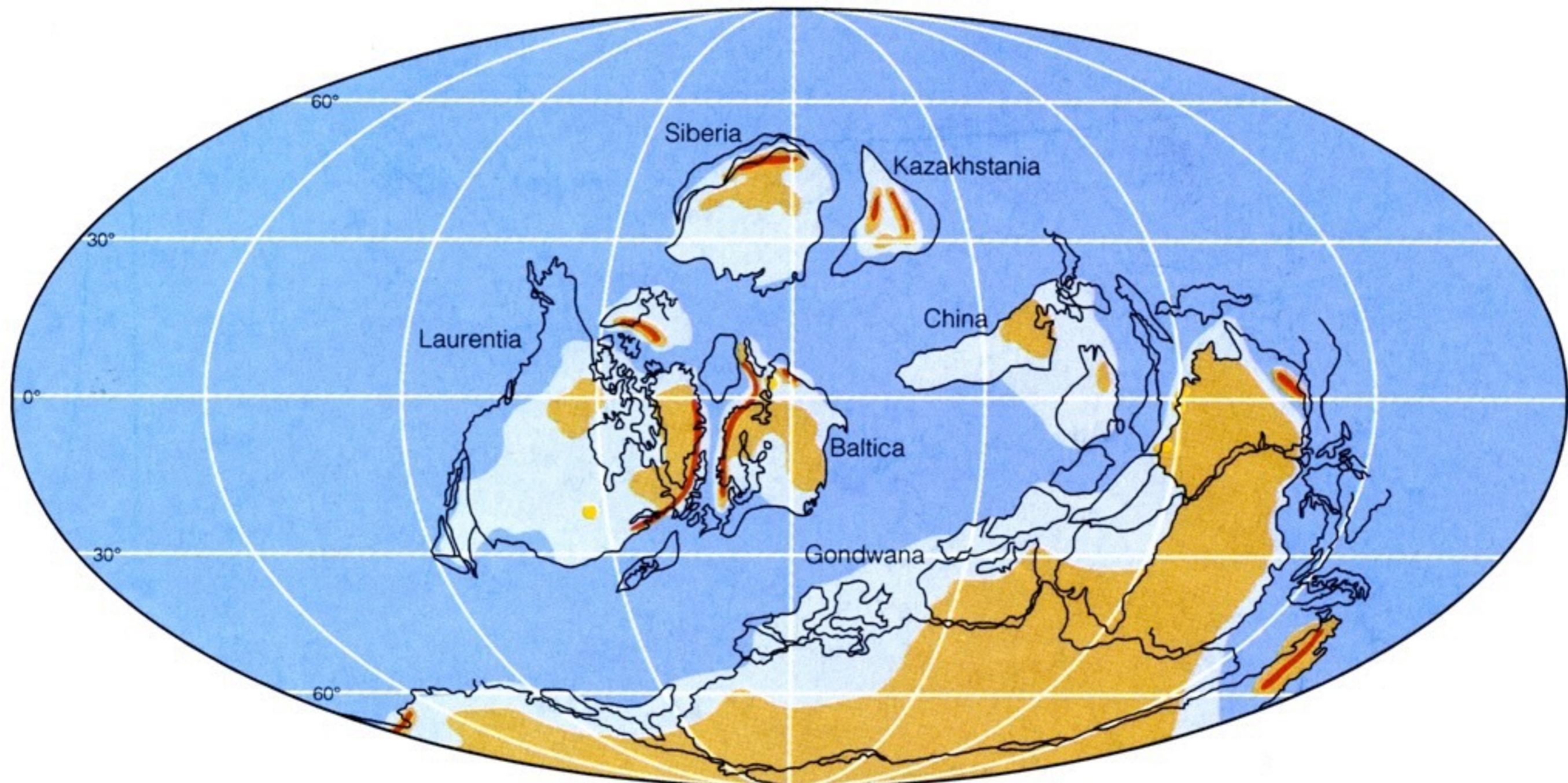
Laurentian in the Ordovician Period



The Sloss Seas



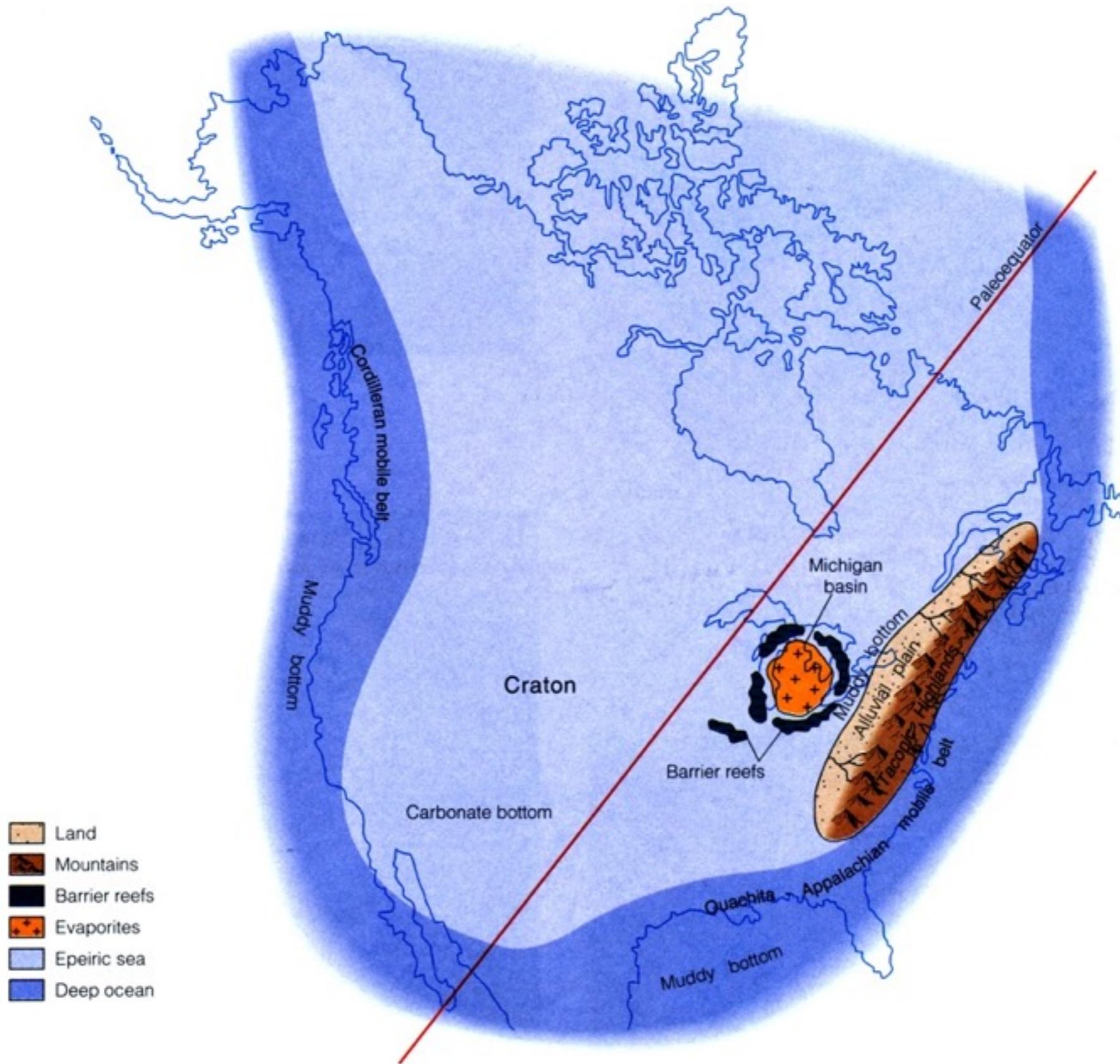
Silurian Paleogeography



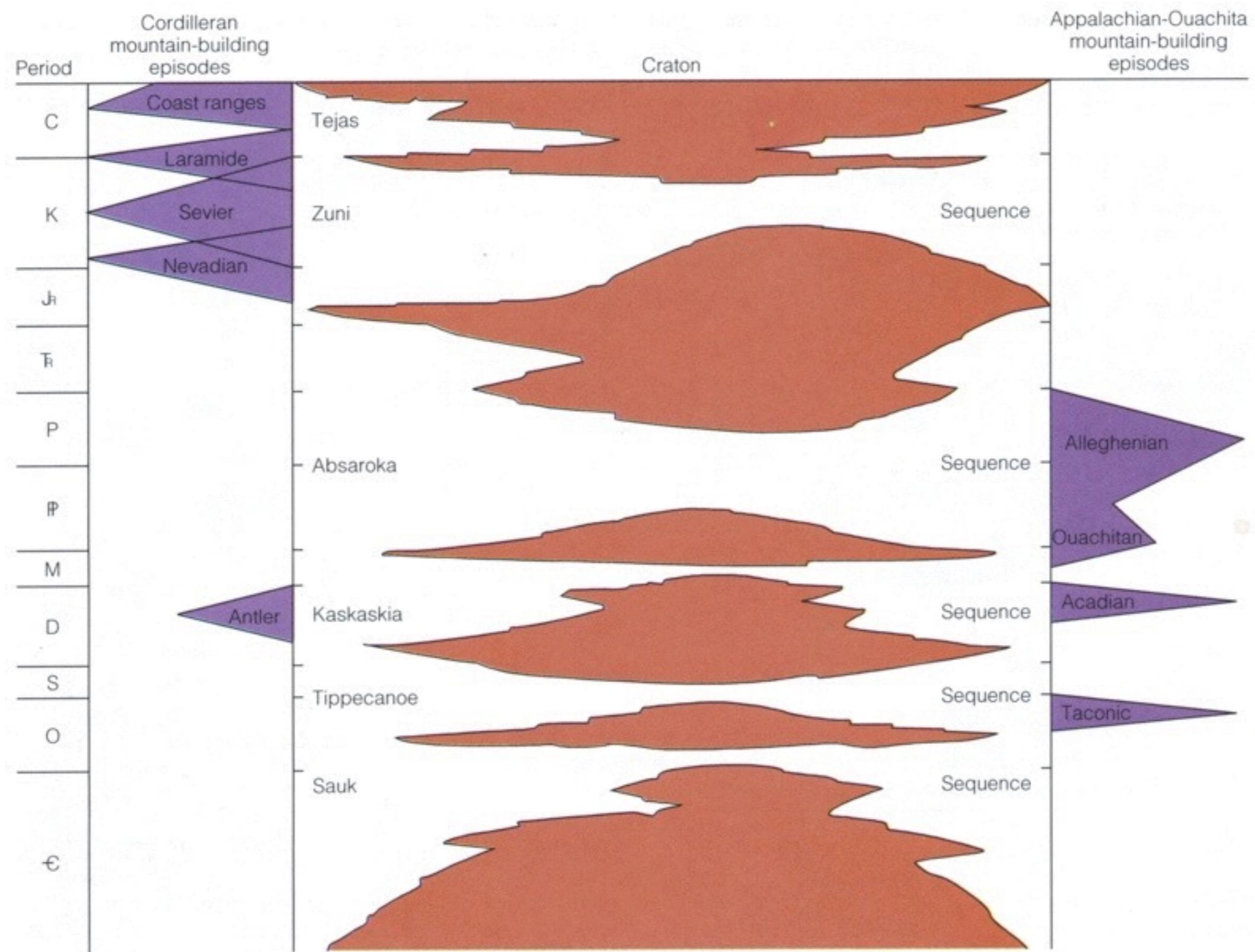
(c) Late Silurian Period (421-414 M.Y.A.)

Evaporites Lowlands Mountains Shallow sea Deep ocean

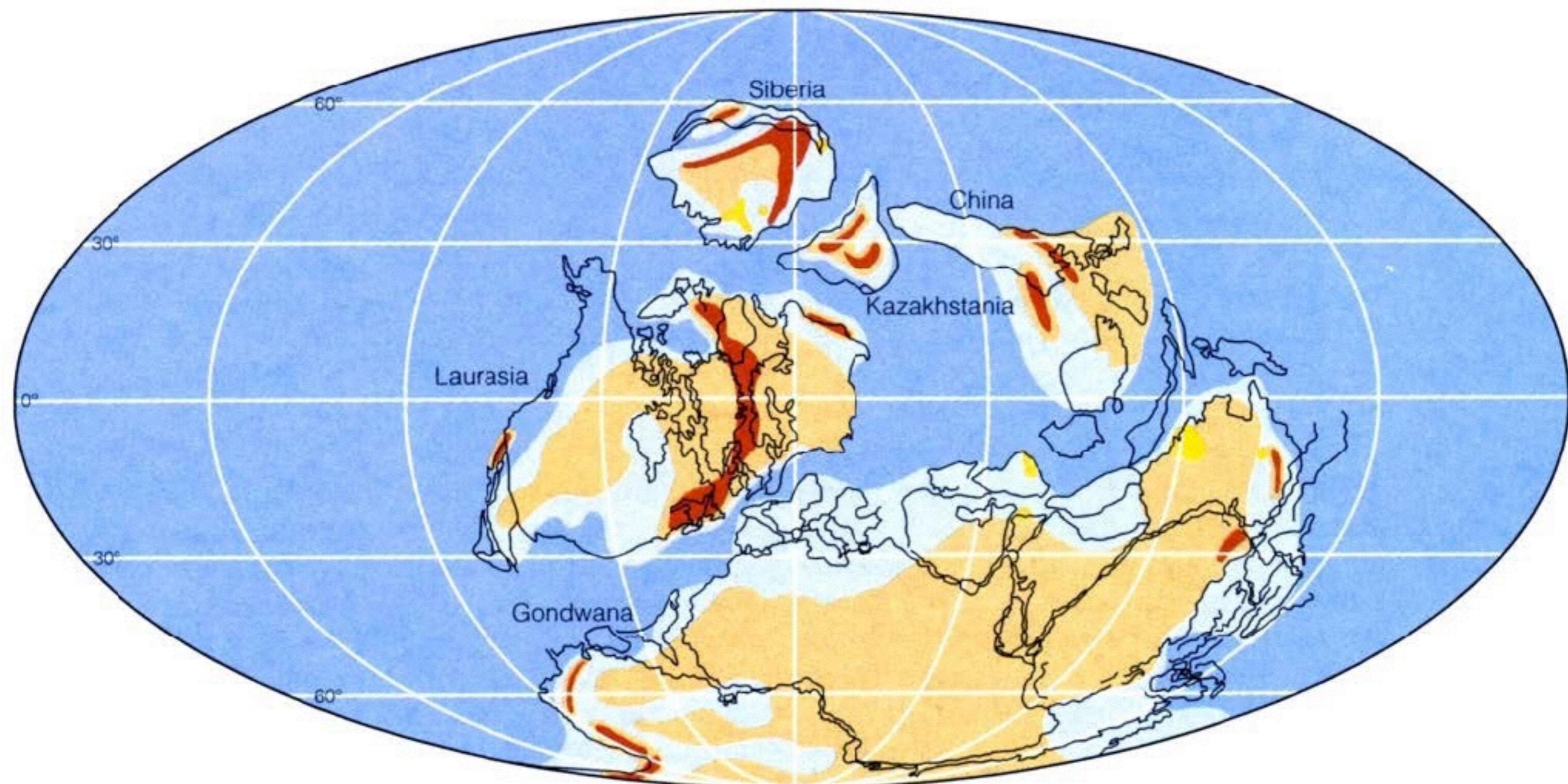
Laurentia in the Silurian Period



The Sloss Seas



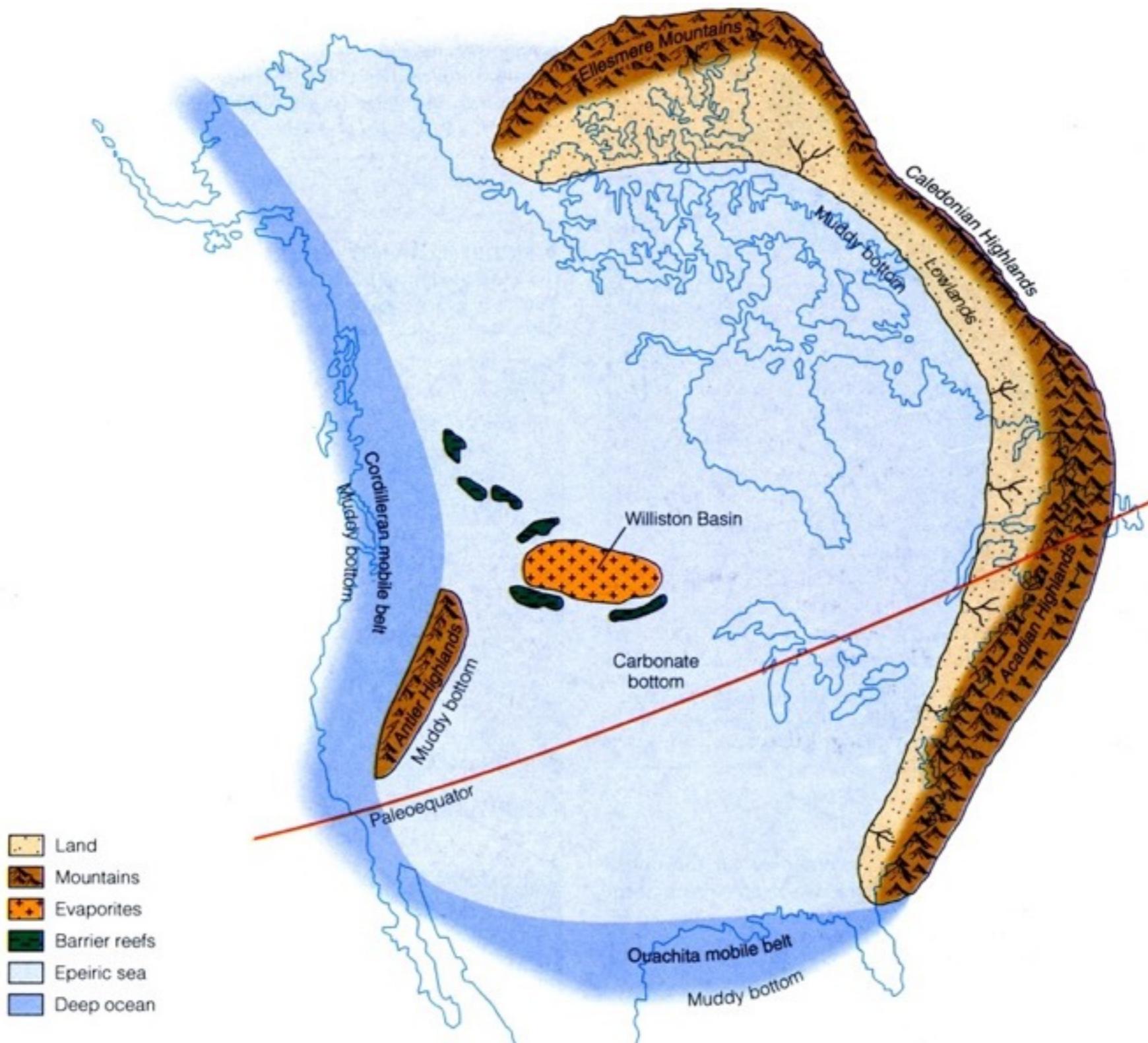
Devonian Paleogeography



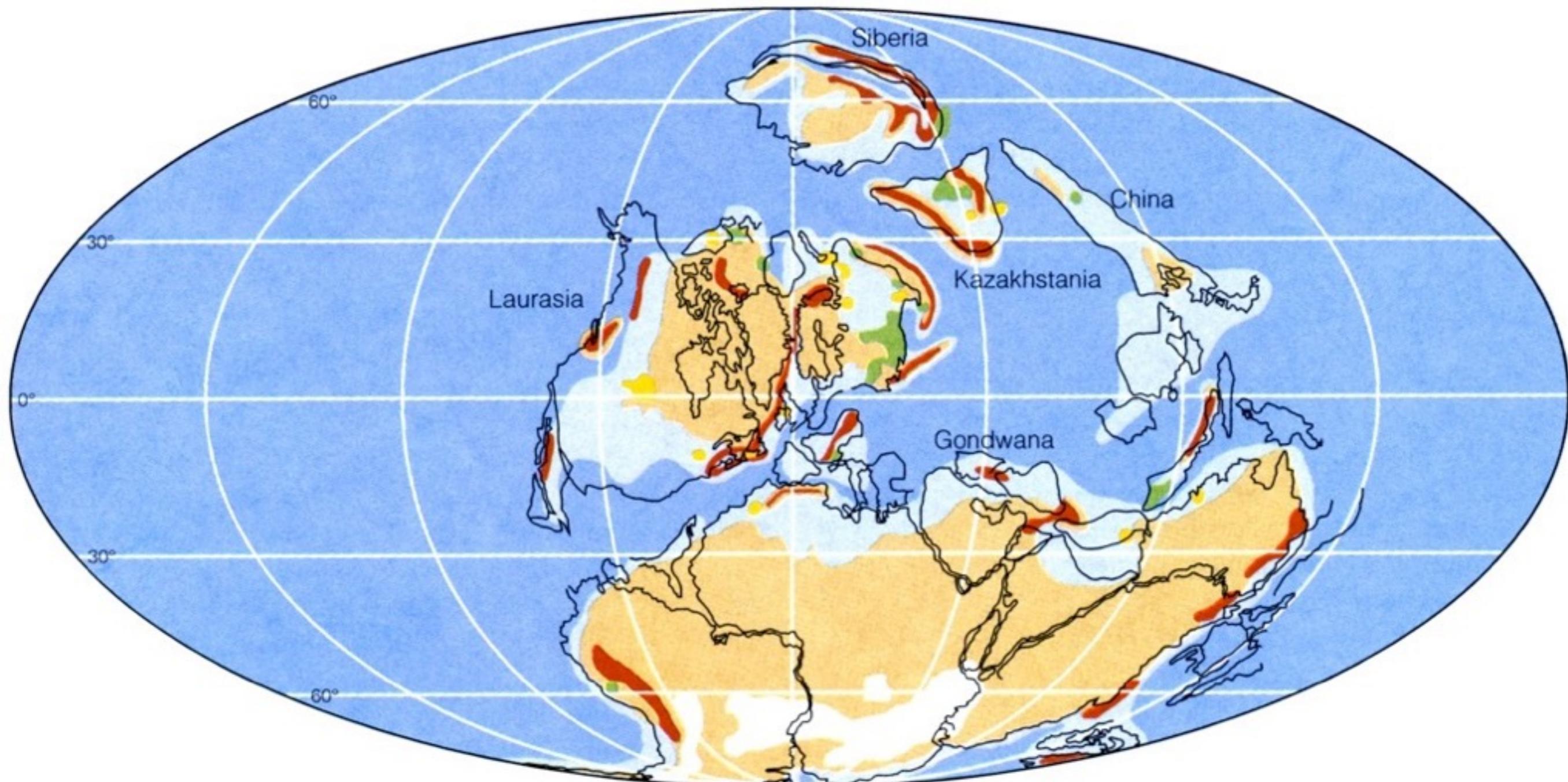
(a) Middle Devonian Period (380-374 M.Y.A.)

■ Evaporites ■ Lowlands ■ Mountains ■ Shallow sea ■ Deep ocean

Laurasia in the Devonian Period

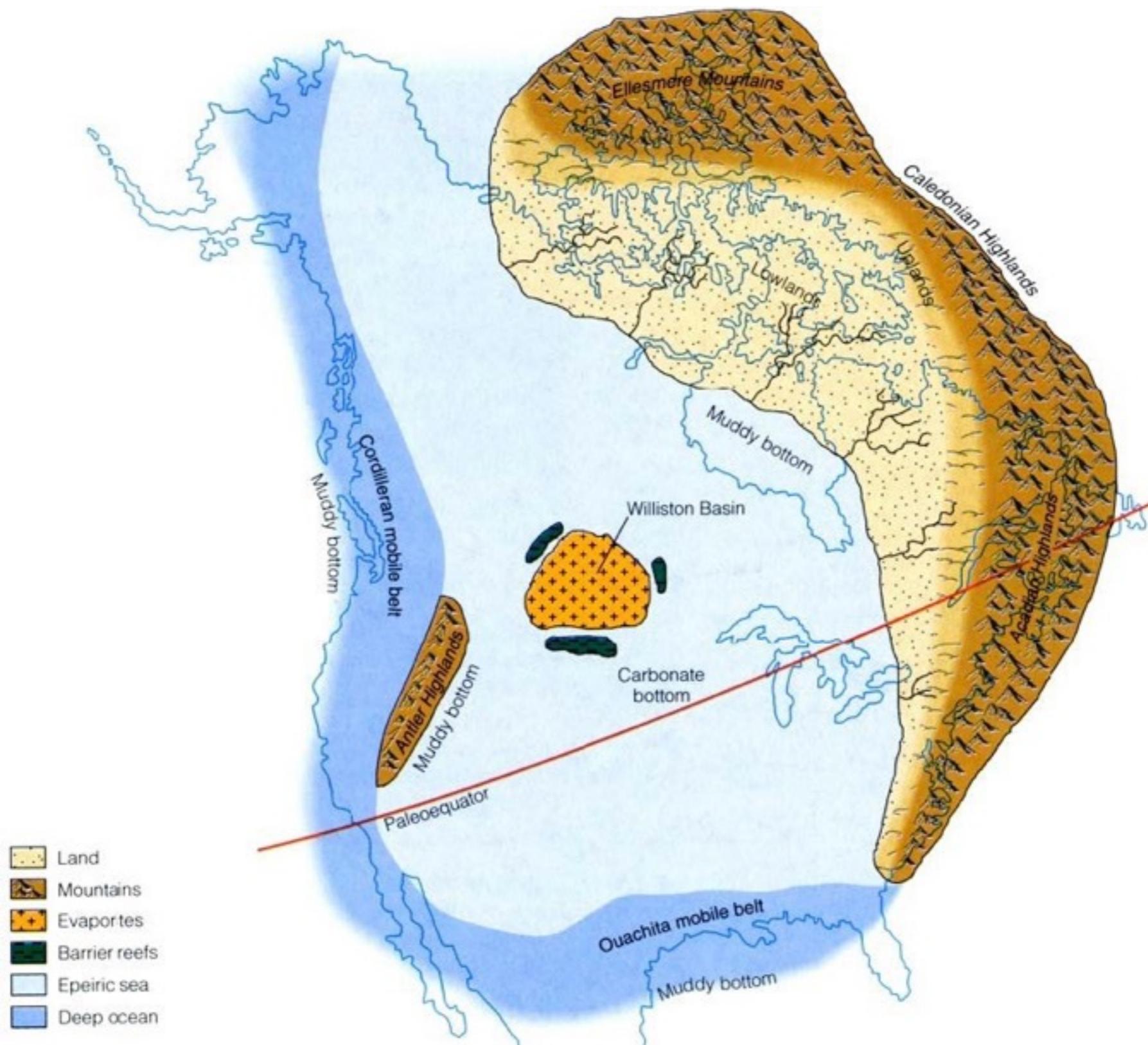


Mississippian Paleogeography

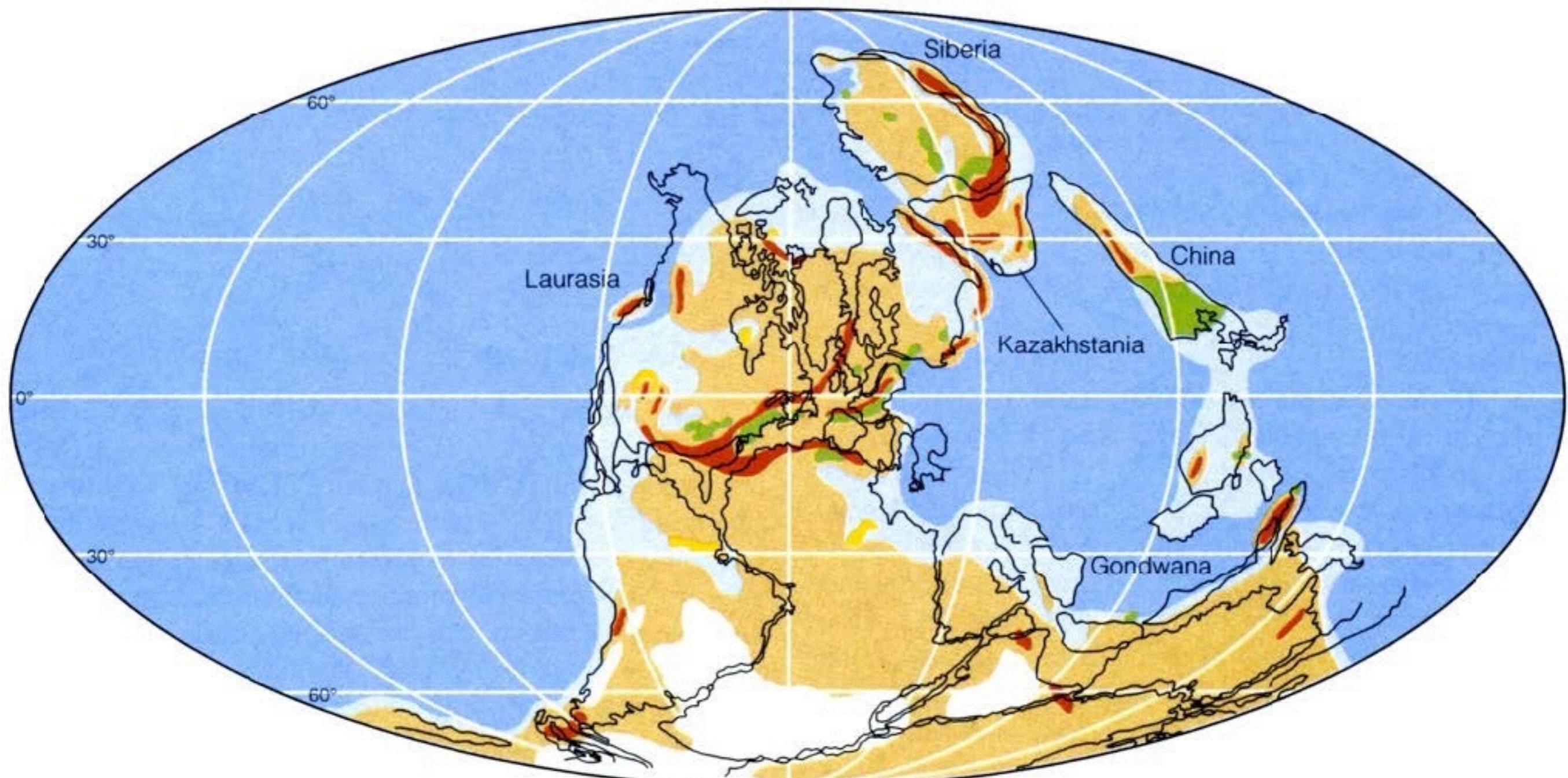


■ Evaporites ■ Coals ■ Lowlands ■ Mountains ■ Glaciation ■ Shallow sea ■ Deep sea

Laurasia in the Mississippian Period



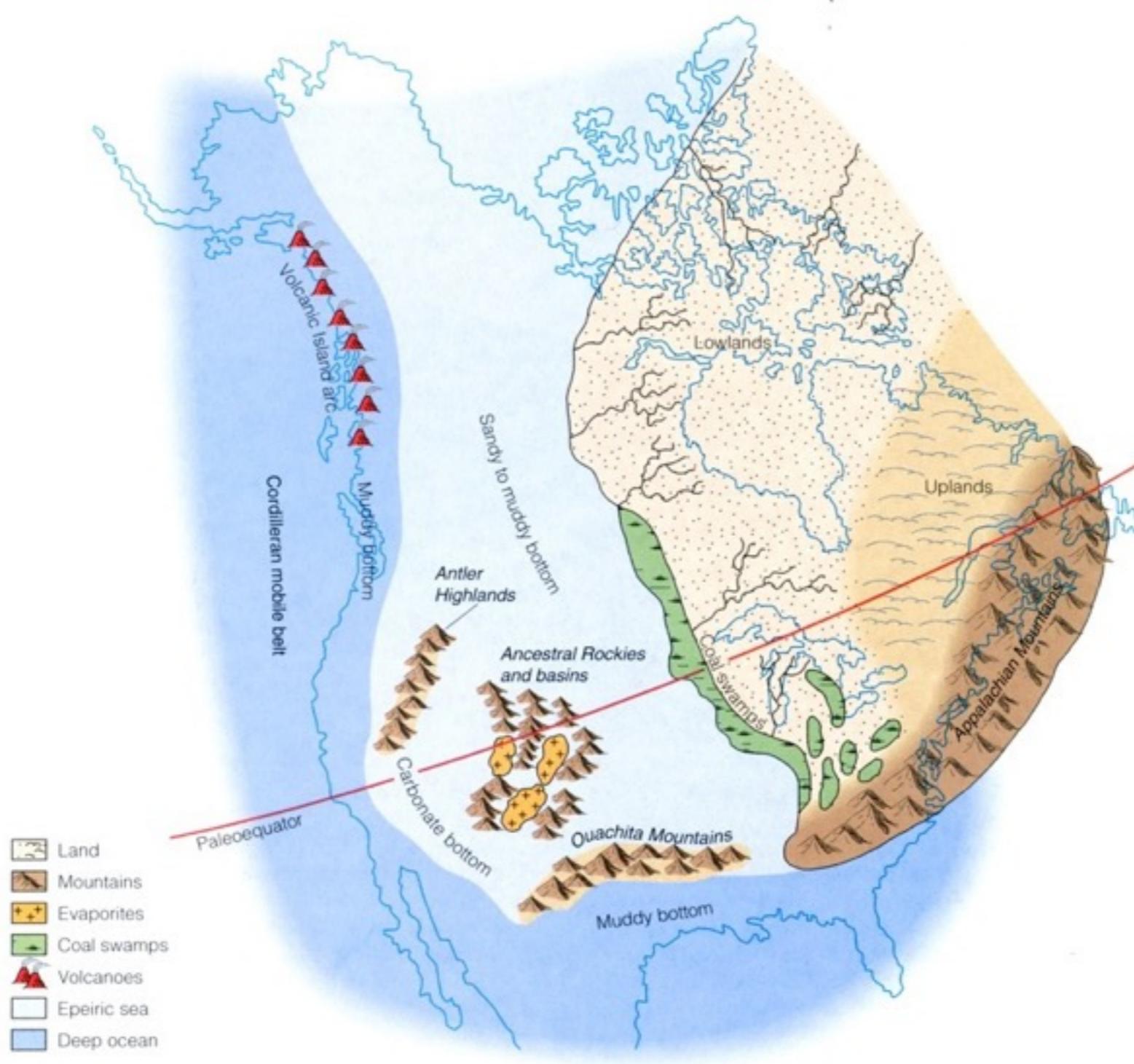
Pennsylvanian Paleogeography



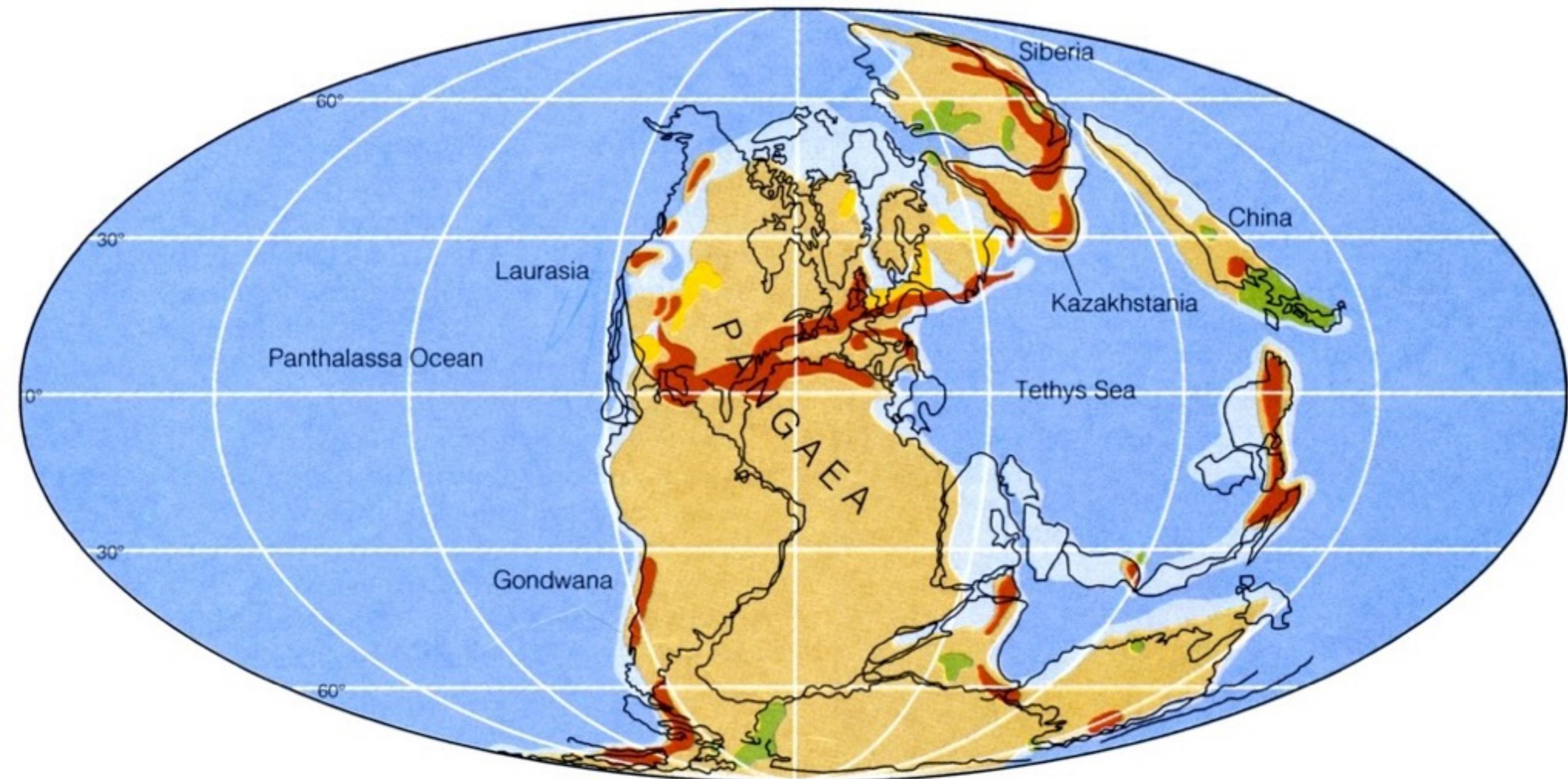
(a) Late Carboniferous Period (315-296 M.Y.A.)

■ Evaporites ■ Coals ■ Lowlands ■ Mountains ■ Glaciation ■ Shallow sea ■ Deep sea

Laurasia in the Pennsylvanian Period



Permian Paleogeography with Pangea



(b) Late Permian Period (258-253 M.Y.A.)

■ Evaporites ■ Coals ■ Lowlands ■ Mountains ■ Shallow sea ■ Deep sea

Laurasia in the Permian Period

