

Tornado

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Coats road, part of Spence's Cross Roads. The seven acres of corn and large fields of tobacco on the same farm, owned by Levy McLeod, was heavily damaged.

Mrs. Georgianna Arrington who lives with her son, Frank Arrington, on the same Coats road described the approach of the storm. "I heard it coming with a great roar from the direction of Lillington," she said. "We were huddled, scared to death in one room. The wind was falling so heavy that the bones bounced on the back porch like marbles." The porch was white with the hail.

The storm crumbled the front porch on the Arrington house and uprooted four big trees within 50 feet. But a small barn, and a mile and a half away from the house, the uprooted trees escaped injury.

Mrs. Arrington told how Harvey Green, had driven his brand new car into the yard when the storm approached and came inside. The big tree that smashed against the house missed the car by inches and there wasn't a scratch on it.

At Pleasant Plains Methodist Church, located on a dirt road less than a hundred feet behind the Walton Lanier home, the storm stripped off two big oaks at the entrance to the church driveway like they were stalks of tobacco. The church building escaped harm, but a tree was uprooted in the driveway and one tombstone overturned.

HOUSE TORN APART
Directly across the road from the church, the storm completely demolished the old C. H. Biggs home. The three room house, now owned by C. G. Biggs of Lillington, was torn apart as if it were a box of matches, but none of the debris was lifted from the site.

Cotton acreage around the house was a complete loss.

Less than a mile away on the Coats road, West of Spence's cross roads, the same storm ripped up trees and tore off a chimney at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Matthews who occupy the old Betts homeplace, a landmark in that area.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthews said they also heard the storm's roar. Fortunately they were in the opposite end of the house where the chimney toppled. "We were praying for safety," said Mrs. Matthews, expressing thanksgiving no one in the community was hurt. "We were not worrying about our crops."

Matthews said he had more than four acres of fine tobacco ruined by the storm as well as cotton and corn that was totally destroyed. Power failed as the storm struck. Mrs. Arrington who has described the storm added "If I hadn't had an old oil lamp we would have been completely in the dark." However, Carolina Power and Light Maintenance crews labored through the early part of the night to restore the current in the affected area.

No storm damage was reported at Campbell College, less than a mile away, where rain was reported light.

Insurance agents said today, that after a visit to the storm area, that crops would be classified as "one hundred percent" loss. However, in cases of tobacco and corn, the usual procedure for insurance companies is to pay farmers for the expenses incurred in re-setting tobacco plants and replanting the corn. Fortunately, farm agents said tobacco plants are available this season in contrast to last year.

J. Grady Johnson, Lillington insurance official, said "Biggest loss will be in the cotton fields. It is too late to replant cotton now. Few farmers carry insurance on cotton." Kyle Harrington, chief of the agricultural stabilization and con-

Tilley Is

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est insurance district in both the weekly and ordinary field in the whole world.

"He has devoted his entire life to the insurance field," said Mr. Wilson, "and is known throughout the industry as a man of quick decision, honesty, integrity and a man devoted to the highest ideals and standards of the profession."

He pointed out that Mr. Tilley entered the insurance field immediately after completing service in the Army during World War I, and without even a change of clothes to his name. He started as an ordinary agent and rose rapidly through the ranks to his present position.

Mr. Tilley is a popular leader in the Life Underwriters Association, a nation-wide organization, and is at present a member of the nominating committee. He is also a leader in the business civic social and religious affairs of Durham.

There are now 122 agents in the 92 staffs which comprise Mr. Tilley's district.

PRESENTED GIFT
On behalf of the entire group, Mr. Wilson presented Tilley a beautiful Springfield electric blanket in a leather carrying case.

Obviously greatly moved by the ovation given him, Mr. Tilley rose to express his appreciation for the honor extended him and declared: "Whatever degree of success I may have attained is because I have with me." He insisted that the men-

servants office, said rain fell in all parts of Western Harnett but no hail was reported. However, in the Christian Light community there were reports of widespread hail losses.

Around Rawls Church in the Angier section highway maintenance crews reported heavy rains washed out a new dam being built along the highway. Only blockage of the highways took place at the Fulton Lanier home and on the dirt road leading beside Pleasant Plains Church.

Dunn Negroes Democrats

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pearance bond of \$100 to show compliance by the time of the September court.

H. P. Godwin was ordered to pay \$60 per month for the support of his two minor children, the first in the organization were the ones due the real credit.

During the session, Mr. Tilley paid particularly high tribute to the record made by Mr. DuFree's Dunn staff. The Dunn staff, competing with all the large towns and cities in Eastern Carolina, established a new record for production of business.

"It speaks mighty well not only for the staff, but for the town and area in which they reside," declared Tilley.

AWARDS GIVEN
In recognition of the sales record, Superintendent DuFree was presented a beautiful Panama hat for being the leading superintendent in the district. R. J. Melton of the Dunn staff also received a hat for being the leading agent.

A touch of humor was injected when Frank McLeod of Dunn, a special agent, was presented a miniature hat. As a special agent, McLeod was not eligible for competition.

In addition to Mr. DuFree other members of the Dunn staff are: R. J. Melton of Dunn, Winfield Jernigan of Erwin, Delma Wood of Benson and H. L. Lancaster of Smithfield.

Among those present for the meeting was Al Johnson, now of Raleigh, who served as the first superintendent when the Dunn district was formed in 1945. Five men in the Dunn office have been promoted to higher positions within the district since that time.

During the meeting, Mr. Wilson, now in the Durham office, presented a portrait of himself to the Fayetteville staff. He formerly was head of the Fayetteville staff.

The meeting closed with a rendition of "The Lord's Prayer" by A. A. Gregory, superintendent of the Henderson district and formerly of Dunn.

Fishermen

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liberty and happiness is now the mission of the Democratic Party," he said.

The stakes involved, he said, are "slavery versus freedom."

STANDS FOR FREEDOM
"Freedom of thought, inquiry and expression, and freedom of the mind and conscience and of the individual are under attack everywhere, even in America. And at the bottom of these attacks on freedom is fear," he said.

Carlyle, in a reference to Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, charged that "an irresponsible spokesman for the Republican Party, authorized to speak on its behalf by that party's leaders, condemned our great Democratic leaders of the past 20 years and the Democratic Party itself as agents of treason."

"That was simply a base appeal to the fears of the people by a man ambitious for personal power who knows that fear feeds upon fear the tact of smear, fear and hate, representing McCarthyism at its best, reached their peak under Hitler and carried Germany to its ruin. In the relatively short time that has elapsed since the Democratic Party gave up the reins of national power we have become a

payment to begin May 21 and to be paid on the 20th of each succeeding month. If he fails to comply the court will invoke an earlier two year road sentence now suspended.

An action against Jim Turner, charged with house breaking and entering and larceny, was ordered taken from the records because the defendant is now dead.

John Lewis McNeill entered a guilty plea to manslaughter and was sentenced from 18 months to three years on the roads.

An earlier sentence for Jimmy Johnson Shipman, convicted of forgery, was altered. Johnson had his prison sentence suspended and he was placed on probation for five years on payment of costs.

Revival

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"his teeth were long and sharp, and his skin so thick harpoons bounced off it several times."

Martinez Sanchez said it took the combined efforts of his six-man crew to boat the "monster", and none of them, nor anyone else in this port could identify it.

Confused, fearful and frightened people. Despite attacks, Carlyle said history's verdict "will be that the Democratic Party . . . rescued our private profit system . . . and saved the free world from Communism."

HISTORY WITH PARTY
"History and not treason is on the side of the Democratic Party, because of what it stands for and primarily because of what it has done for the people in the time of need."

Carlyle traced the accomplishments under Democratic leadership from Wilson through 1952 and said "if these things be treason, then I say let the junior senator from Wisconsin make the most of them! They are not treason, and they are not 'creeping socialism'; they are the blood and bone and sinew of our democratic way of life and a fulfillment of the American dream of equality of opportunity. They are more than that—they symbolize the best possible answers that America can make to communism."

Carlyle said the Democratic Party has "repeatedly" given to North Carolina "gifted and peerless" leaders, but said the "genius" of the state "lies in the will and the power of its people to make up and to express their own minds on all matters affecting the public interest."

The convention was called to order at noon. The session held high interest because of the current political campaign for the U. S. Senate, speculation on a successor to the late Sen. Clyde R. Hoey and naming of a new state executive committee.

REVIVAL — A revival will be held at the Mt. Pleasant Church of Lillington May 30. Everyone is invited to attend.

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