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Could have been tornado High wind strikes west end of county

What many persons believe to be a tornado touched down briefly near the traffic islands in U.S. 48 and Ky. 27 Thursday evening about 8:30 p.m., causing damage to at least two barns, one tobacco field and a used car lot. Although the existence of the tornado could not be confirmed by official sources, the manner in which the damage was done strongly suggests more than an ordinary windstorm.

Damage was estimated to be in the thousands of dollars, and luckily no one was reported hurt.

At the Fryman and Brookshire used car lot at the top of the hill on Ky. 27 just opposite Miller Station Road, the silver tornado acted just like a real tornado, when it picked up an 8 by 30 foot trailer off its block foundation, moved it over about 20 feet, left the flooring on the ground and took much of the rest up through the air, over the top of the used cars and dropped it down in a shambles on Nate Young's yard.

"What amazed me is that none of the cars were damaged," Scotty Fryman told the Mercury. "And yet the only way for the trailer and roof of that trailer to get to Young's yard was to go right over the top of the cars."

A new barn being constructed on the Dr. Bob Sparks property just a few hundred yards away and off Miller Station Road sustained a curious amount of damage.

About half of the six by six were cracked in two as if they were being pulled apart on the lower east side of the barn away from the prevailing direction of the wind. This suggested that a circular like direction of the wind had taken place, moving from west to east. The tornado appeared to have kept

touching down, or come close to touching down along the top of the ridge on the Alex Miller, Jr. property just southwest of the U.S. 48 and Ky. 27 traffic islands. The wind here the west edge of the roof off the barn and tipped over a 100 gallon drum of diesel fuel inside. Numerous large trees were felled on the farm, including a large one that dropped right in the middle of the tobacco field.

Unconfirmed reports had it that four inches of rain fell in half an hour during the storm.



Miss Ky. Teen World

Melissa Dudley goes to national pageant

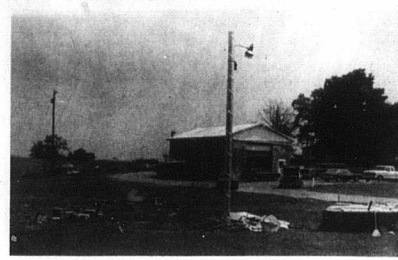
After three days of intensive competition with 30 other contestants from across Kentucky, Carlisle's Melissa Dudley won the Miss Kentucky Teen World pageant at the Executive Inn West in Louisville July 16, 17, 18 and 19. She will also travel to other states, including Florida for the national competition in December.

"I was really surprised at the amount of practice we went through for the dances that all of us performed. They made us practice eight hours a day," Melissa said.

First runner-up to Melissa was Cathy Rose Young of Lebanon. Second runner-up was Kathy Marie Tison of Louisville. Third runner-up was Janis Lynn Moss of Campbellsville and fourth runner-up was Anita A. Flewler of Bowling Green.

Melissa is the 1982 Blackberry Festival Queen and is the former Miss Dwing Fleming, County queen from 1981. She was also a contestant in the Miss Kentucky State Fair, was third

in talent or speech. "I picked speech and delivered a short talk entitled 'My Place in the World'." Melissa was second runner-up in the competition with her talk. As Miss Kentucky Teen World, Melissa Dudley traveled last weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Dudley, to Staunton, Va. where she took part as a guest in the Miss Virginia Teen World. She will also travel to other states, including Florida for the national competition in December.



Trailer moves 20 feet overnight
What was believed to be a tornado lifted the trailer off its concrete blocks at left, put it down at right and caused the rest of the trailer to become airborne. — Mercury photo.

Judge John P. Lair resigns

Circuit Judge John P. Lair has announced his resignation as the Circuit Judge for the 18th Circuit, which includes Nicholas County, effective Monday, Aug. 15. The announcement was made in Fairbault, Minn. in the form of a letter sent to Governor Brown and released to the local newspaper there.

Judge Lair said his duties were becoming onerous because of his age and said he would spend the next month winding up his affairs and getting ready for his successor.

A committee of 18th judicial district attorneys is expected to submit three names of possible successors to Judge Lair. Those names will be considered by Governor Brown and one will be selected to fill out Judge Lair's existing term, which expires at the end of 1983. Copies of the resignation letter were sent to the two district judges, all circuit court clerks, and every attorney.

The full text of the resignation letter follows:

"Dear Governor Brown:
"Please accept my resignation as

The Thorobred Club

Blue Grass to honor 97 employees

Blue Grass Industries will celebrate Personnel Appreciation Day and honor 97 employees for their length of service on Friday, Aug. 6, Donald Henry, President, has announced.

Thirty-five persons from the Carlisle and Keating Plants will be honored for 15 years of service with the company and earn the right to join the Thorobred Club. They are:

Nils, Buelton, Gladys Bromagen, Linda L. Bussell, Pearl A. Campbell, Dorothy G. Clark, Evelyn J. Corlan, Pat Jane Dudley, Minnie Fredrick, Barbara Sue Fryman,

Lola Graham, Bonnie Elaine Gray, Carolyn Sue Hicks, Laura Mae Hyatt, Wanda Lee Insko, Elizabeth Livingston, Curtis M. Mabrey, Rhonda McFarland, Elizabeth Lee Norris, Bonnie Purvis, Peggy Shapp, Delores Stole, Colleen Thompson, Brenda Trent, Mayme Wagner, Virgie Virginia Wood, Raymond Anderson, Bob

By Gerald Bratz.
Arthur Lee Buzzard, Otis H. Crawford, J.W. Crump, Sandra Cull, Dullay Earls, G.H. Fetters, J.F. Housh, C. Howard, Albert H. Voss.

In addition, 30 other new members of the club will be initiated from the Mount Sterling and Cynthiana plants. Seven Thorobred Club members will receive a service award in recognition of completing 20 years of service. Four other members of this group from Mt. Sterling and Cynthiana will also be honored. The seven are: Elizabeth Berry, Norma Sue Booth, Eva Louise Burton, Margaret Cox, Jane F. Edwards, Linda Faye Walters and Loretta Henry.

Eight members who have been with the company for 25 years will be honored. They are: Gay Henry Mann, Janella Fryman, Betty Tolliver, Wilma Tolliver, Anna Hawkins, Rita Jane Hogg, Ethel Ring and Jane



Carlisle's doll maker

Mrs. Iva Match Brandy of Elm Street is shown with just a few of the dolls she has made and clothed. The doll with the long dark curls at right rear is named 'Francis T' and was given to her 15 years ago. Lately, Mrs. Brandy has taken to making Raggedy Andy dolls. The small dolls are made from cloth scraps and all their clothing is made by Mrs. Brandy too. (See story on the Society page.) — Mercury photo.

Grand Jury fails to indict

The Nicholas County grand jury met Monday, July 26, to consider the case of the Commonwealth versus Ricky French and did not return an indictment in the case.

French, 28, of Frank's Carlisle, had been arrested and charged with first degree burglary after an alleged incident involving Betty Masterson, 41, also of Frank's.

The statement issued by the grand jury foreman, Samuel Lowe, said only:

"I see Grand Jury on page 12."

Atkins recommends Carlisle for gas loan

Mayor Frankie Hughes has received a letter from state Secretary of Finance George Atkins, saying he has recommended Carlisle over Morehead for \$100,000 in Gas Restoration Funds. Now, the state gas restoration board must vote on the recommendation. Atkins said

he hopes for an approval by Aug. 12, a date suggested for bid letting. Shown is Carlisle leader recently shaking hands with Atkins' assistant, behind him is Tommy Vaughn, Bluegrass ADD's Jas. Sekhon, Mayor Hughes and Atkins. — Mercury photo.

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