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TORNADO PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

1. DATE AND TIME **about 2100 E.S.T. SAT. AUG. 3 1963.**
2. LOCATION OR PATH (attach map) **Bloomington.** **06963 - 02**
3. PATH LENGTH ☐ NOT KNOWN ☐ <1 mi; ☒ 1-4 mi; ☐ 5-10 mi; ☐ 11-50 mi; ☐ LENGTH IF > 50 mi **3.2 km**
4. PATH WIDTH **850 m** 5. TORNADO PART OF SQUALL LINE? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☒ UNKNOWN:
6. ANY UNUSUAL COLORATION? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☒ UNKNOWN
7. ANY UNUSUAL SOUND? ☐ YES; ☐ NO; ☒ UNKNOWN
8. IF ANSWER TO 6 OR 7 YES, ELABORATE;
9. LIST ANY ASSOCIATED PHENOMENA
(Such as hail, vivid lightning heavy rain, no rain, etc.)
10. TOTAL DAMAGE ESTIMATE \$ **U** 11. TOTAL DEATHS **U**
12. TOTAL INJURED **U** 13. TOTAL HOMELESS **U**
14. LIST ALL REFERENCES
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15. SUMMARIZE REMARKS PERTAINING TO (a) FUNNEL; (b) INTERESTING OR CAPRICIOUS EVENTS.

(b) Tombstones over 100 years old were torn up and the marble slabs tossed hundreds of feet. Flattened fields of wheat and corn and tore up trees.

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Don Mills Worst-Hit In Metro

Don and his family were forced to leave their apartment in the Coopers of the Don on Underhill Dr.

When the water subsided about 10 feet of mud covered the floor of the Bannings apartment and the floor of the garage whose occupants are on vacation, said Victor MacLeod, building superintendent.

It took a week at least before they could move back in. Mr. MacLeod said the family was taken to a hotel at the expense of the building owners.

The mud was right up to my kneecaps," Mr. MacLeod said.

The thunder and hail storm struck about 6:30 p.m. and lasted 45 minutes. A similar but less violent storm hit the area Thursday afternoon.

Outside, railings and flagstones around the swimming pool were torn up, damaging the pool so severely it is not expected to be in use again this year.

On Roanoke Dr., water rose to about 5 feet at the bottom of a hill near Underhill Ave. and covered a car.

"We proved that a Volkswagen floats," Mr. MacLeod said. About 50 feet away the little German car bobbed about on the surface, he said, while no more than a few inches of the roof of the second car were visible.

Witnesses reported seeing geysers spouting as high as 30 feet from the drains of storm sewers.

Hail stones in Don Mills were reported an inch in diameter.

"They were the size of ice cubes," Mr. MacLeod said. "I drove about 200 yards in my car and got very frightened and turned back. It was just like

machine-gun bullets hitting the roof.

Only people who saw it will believe what happened here said Davis Sturup of Nordic Place as he and his neighbours surveyed damage yesterday.

Irwin Haley of Nordic Place pointed to the high water mark 6 inches above the upper landing of his basement stairs in his living room and dining room.

Still water ran from the roof of water that covered it during the storm.

The water was knee-deep in the back yard, he said, and flowed through one a river.

After the water was so deep, he said, it matted through the cement sidewalks and tore out metal window frames along with the glass.

Mr. Dacey's wife and 8-month-old daughter are staying with relatives while he has moved in with a neighbor. While no accurate assessment has been made of the damage, Mr. Dacey said his gas furnace and water heater are both ruined and his swimming pool is ruined.

He has no idea when he and his family will be able to move back in.

Just down the driveway of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hill's house was piled with belongings washed from the flooded basement. Extensive damage to the home forced cancellation of holiday plans. They were to have left yesterday morning.

Many residents in the area complained of water in their basements Thursday and again Saturday.

Saturday water flowed westward on Roanoke Dr. toward the Don Valley with such force it was said to have tipped a car and finally driven it backward almost half a block.

Residents believed storm sewers on the street have been blocked by apartment construction at the foot of the street.

No Power In Orillia For 5 Hours

Heavy rain and high winds hit York County and Lake Simcoe areas Saturday night, toppling trees and knocking over small buildings.

Two separate storms struck Lake Simcoe and district, the first about 6 p.m. Neil Rolland, Lake Couchiching Marine operator, said he saw 10 waterspouts heading across the lake.

The winds caught two small sailing boats and overturned them, dumping their occupants into the water. The sailors clung to their craft and were rescued uninjured.

The second storm swept south across Lake Simcoe two hours later, bowling over shoreline trees which fell across hydro lines, leaving large sections of Orillia without power for five hours.

As the wind hit Lake Couchiching, two large trees fell across a sailboat owned by Keith Gross of Brimley Rd., Scarborough. The trees cracked the boat in two, and drove the mast so deep into the lake bottom that it took five power boats to pull it free. Damage was estimated at \$1,000.

Archie L. MacDonald, a Rama Township farmer, said the winds caused between \$12,000 and \$15,000 damage to his farm on the east shore of Lake Couchiching. A barn of 2,800 square feet was torn apart and the hay it held strewn for hundreds of yards. Trees and fences also were uprooted.

Homes on the Rama Indian Reserve also suffered damage during the wind storms.

Tornado-force winds tore through the Stouffville area about 10 p.m., flattening fields of wheat, oats and corn and tearing up trees and outhouses.

Mrs. Peter Bramwell of RR 3, Stouffville, said her family was terrified by the sight of a huge apple tree flying through the air and landing in a nearby cornfield. The Bramwell dog, still in its kennel, also sailed past the window of the house and was set down in a field of grain.

At Bloomington, a 100-home hamlet five miles north of Stouffville, few houses were untouched by the winds which tore a swath through the area two miles long and half a mile wide. Tombstones in a cemetery over 100 years old were torn up and the marble slabs were tossed hundreds of feet.

W. A. Fockler, 93, a long-time resident of the hamlet, said he could not remember a storm of such violence or suddenness in all his lifetime in that area.

Arthur Vaughan, 82, of nearby Ballantrae, a lifelong resident of the area, said: "I've never seen anything like it. It looks as if some giant came along and tore a piece through the village."

Hydro and telephone linemen were trying yesterday to restore power and communications in the hamlet but were being hampered by sightseers who crowded its one main street. Farmers, whose crops were leveled by winds, were waiting for insurance adjusters to visit them before they would attempt to estimate their losses.

Lightning streaks which hit in the Kingston area during the night sparked three separate fires, causing a total of about \$11,000 damage.

An unoccupied cottage at Loughboro Lake, 12 miles north of Kingston, burned to the ground. The owner, Robert Hepburn of Kingston, estimated the loss at about \$1,000.

A barn off No. 38 Highway, eight miles northwest of Kingston, was razed, but a pony in the barn when it was struck was saved by Stanley Blanchard who rented the farm from Mrs. Thomas Bell of Glenvale. Mrs. Bell said the barn and its contents represented a loss of about \$10,000.

Lightning also hit a house at Queen's Acres five miles west of Kingston, but did little damage beyond burning out the wiring.