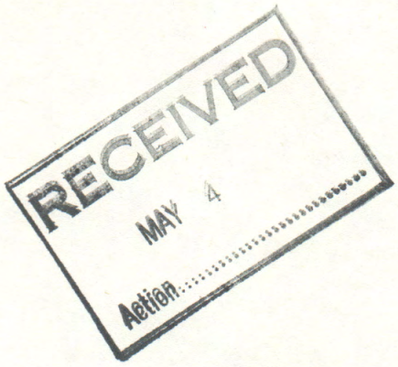
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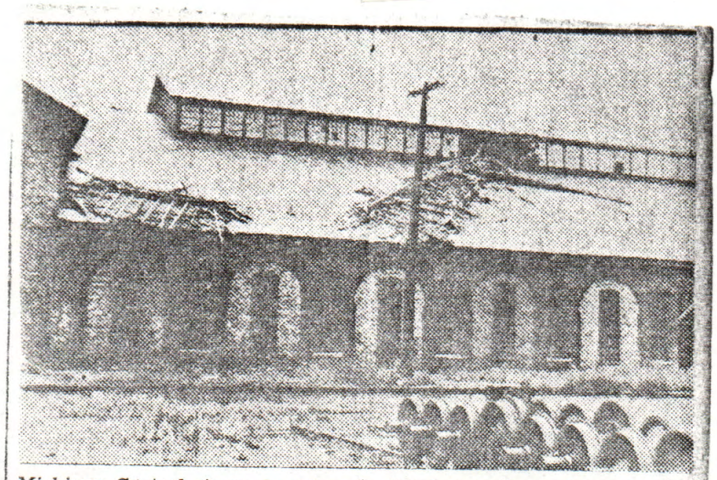
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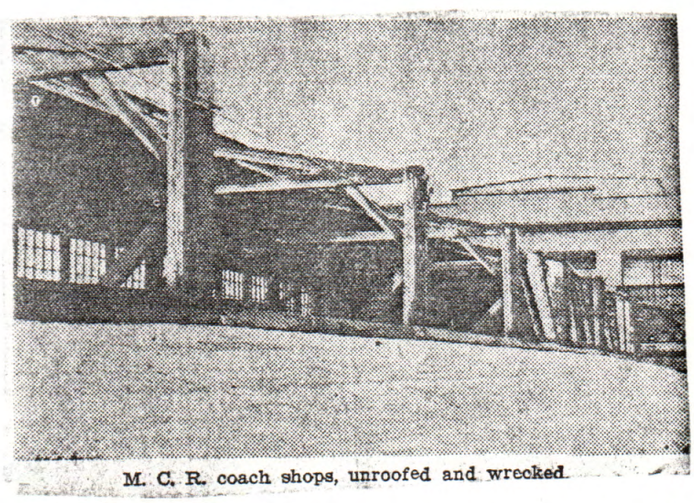
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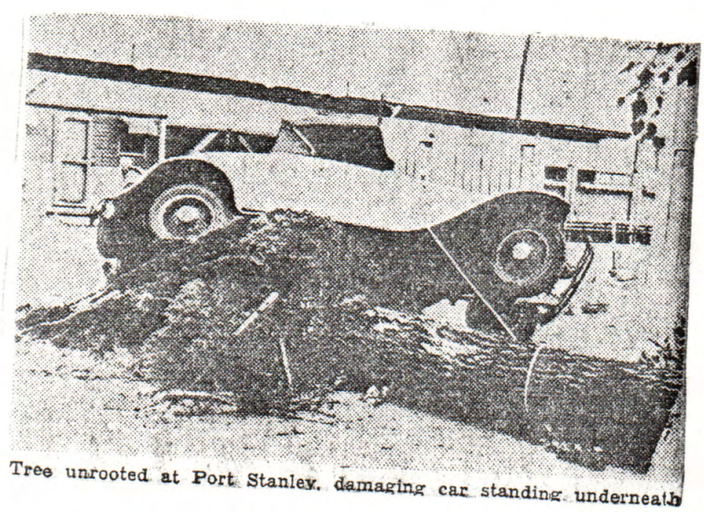


Michigan Central stores department, showing portions of coach shops roof carried nearly 500 feet by storm and deposited on roof. The damage to the stores department is more extensive, officials say, than the coach shops damage.



M. C. R. coach shops, unroofed and wrecked

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Tree unrooted at Port Stanley, damaging car standing underneath



June 28,
The Big Storm of 1936

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