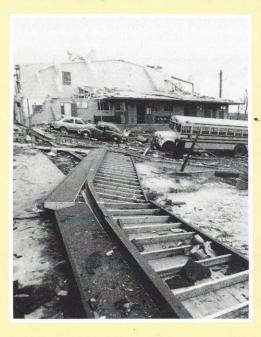
DEVASTATION TO THE MAX! After the '84 tornado finishes doing its damage to RWA, this is what was left of our gynmasium. With most of the ceiling blown away, this structure, along with the entire school, had to be rebuilt. The class of '84 held graduation outdoors that May.

WAR ZONE. Tall pines are snapped off like toothpicks as the winds of the tornado blows away any existing structures in its twisted path. Debris from insulation to crumpled sheets of tin, broken concrete blocks to torn and rain-damaged textbooks had to be cleaned up or discarded as a result of the strong winds.



FIGHTING

1984. Who could ever forget March 28, 1984! The horrible tornado that ravages much of South Carolina does not spare our school. The destruction is devastating, but thanks to the Baptist Women's Missions, our school year is finished at Camp LaVida in White Oak.

1986. The twenty year milestone calls for a celebration. The 1985 varsity football team enjoys their best season so far with a record of 10-3. Boys' basketball team captures the State AA crown as the girls' team reaches the semi-final round.

1985. By Dec.'84 the high school students/faculty are able to move into the rebuilt school. Lower school students/ teachers continue with school in the Old Armory and in Sunday school rooms of the First Baptist Church until spring of '85. Lady Eagles win their 1st State Basketball Championship while the boys' team clinch no. 2 title in the state.

1987. The fall of 1986 brings back experience and determination in the varsity football program. However, despite a disappointing final season record of 4-9, the team brings home the State Runners-up trophy.