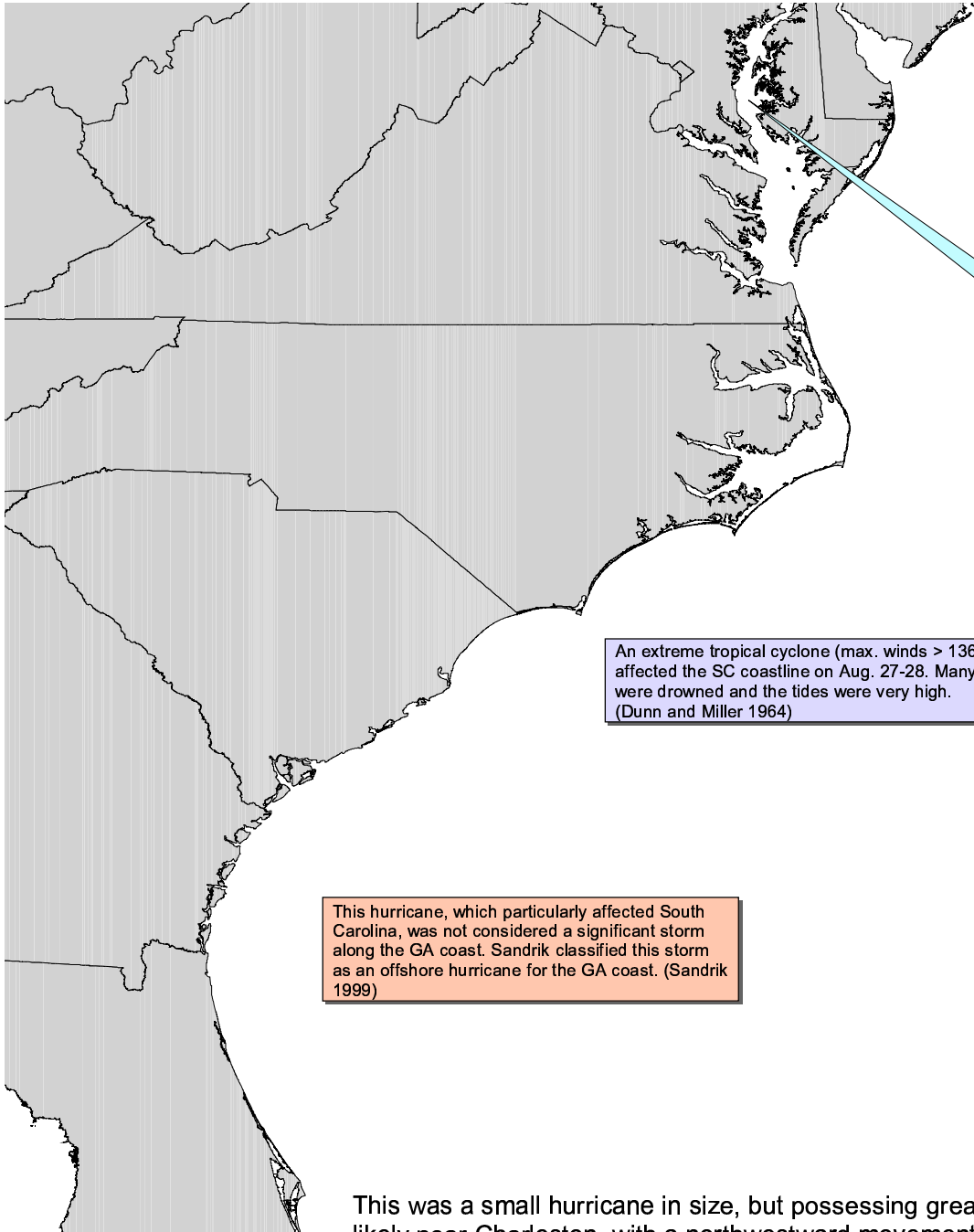


# The Dreadful Storm on 27-28 August 1813



An easterly gale was observed in the Upper Chesapeake Bay on Aug. 28th. Winds began out of the NE on the 27th. By 2200, winds had shifted SE with squalls. Winds became SW and were intense until 0100 on the 28th. By 1100, the wind had begun to abate. The U.S. ship "Schooner" was beached in the storm near James Island, as was the British prison ship "Dominico". (Roth and Cobb)

An extreme tropical cyclone (max. winds > 136 mph) affected the SC coastline on Aug. 27-28. Many were drowned and the tides were very high. (Dunn and Miller 1964)

This hurricane, which particularly affected South Carolina, was not considered a significant storm along the GA coast. Sandrik classified this storm as an offshore hurricane for the GA coast. (Sandrik 1999)

This was a small hurricane in size, but possessing great intensity and speed. Landfall was likely near Charleston, with a northwestward movement inland over eastern SC and central NC.



40 0 40 80 Miles

A scale bar with markings at 0, 40, and 80 miles. The bar is black and white, with the numbers 40, 0, 40, and 80 placed above it.