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County Commissioners Discuss Relief For Flooded Areas At Call Meeting

Duplin County Commissioners called a meeting on Tuesday night to discuss the problems and probable aid for the distressed areas of the county due to the flood. Present at the meeting were the County Commissioners, Miss Gussell of the National Red Cross Disaster Office, Carl Blossom, chairman of the Duplin County Red Cross Chapter, Representatives from the A.S.C.S. Soil Conservation, and County Agents. Representatives from the Board of Health and the Board of Welfare, and Dr. Colwell of the Civil Defense.

A general round table discussion was held, directed by Kenneth Grady, chairman of the Board. In this discussion was pointed out the problems of the most afflicted areas. Blossom had made a tour of the area with Miss Gussell, the Red Cross worker and the Red Cross Committee and they had received applications for food and supplies and other emergency needs. They gave mental picture of the situation and Miss Gussell explained to the group what the Red Cross could do. (This information is in another article in this paper.)

Joe Costin, sanitarian of the Health Department, told of how members of the Health Department had

visited with State Representatives the flooded areas and had discussed the problems that could arise from the water. The Department had posted signs concerning boiling of the water before drinking. They have visited places where there are dead chickens and advised the owners to burn or bury them. The Health Department have advised sufferers on disinfecting homes, and have made suggestions about sewer disposal. They are now conducting a typhoid clinic for all persons of the area. Parents have been asked to keep children out of water.

The Health Department will further work with the Civil Defense on a Mosquito Control program. Also, the Civil Defense will look over the drainage situation and work out a drainage program if it is necessary.

Agricultural workers have toured the county and have estimated a 50% damage to the crops. They stated that only about 12% of the farmers of the county had Federal Crop Insurance. The Farm Home Administration has presented a plan for loans to the farmers on a long term, low rate interest, to assist farmers with their crop for the next year.

Mrs. Thelma D. Taylor, Welfare Agent, is investigating all sources

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The worst hit areas in Duplin were Limestone, Island Creek and Cypress Creek Townships. Albertson, Smith and Glisson Townships were estimated second in damage. Warsaw, Kenansville, Magnolia and Rose Hill areas received the least damage, but were still badly hurt.

Officials of the county estimate that a \$12,500,000 damage was done, which would be a 50 per cent average over the county. Damage to tobacco is estimated Ten million; damage to corn, \$1,500,000; all other crops One Million; damage to buildings \$100,000; and loss of poultry and livestock \$50,000. In some areas the entire crop was gone, while other areas suffered smaller losses, but the entire county was hurt.

A ride through the areas of Kenansville, Limestone and Cypress Creek Townships revealed a sad picture. At that time many of the roads which had been impassable were out from under the water and in one place a terrible yawning gap was in the road where the water had washed out the highway. The Muddy Creek road and other roads were still submerged in water. In some fields, the water which had been up to the tassels on the corn, was slowly receding.

But the sad picture was the tobacco, some fields standing completely "flopped" and turning brown. Other fields had not suffered so badly. Riding down

highway 41 from Chinquapin to Wallace, some of the homes had water marks several feet high on the side of the House. Chicken houses were badly washed. It is reported that Frank Sumner of Kenansville Township lost 20 thousand fryers and about thirty thousand other chickens were drowned throughout the county.

But the children were wading around in the yards getting a big kick out of the whole deal. In other places motor boats were "put-putting" around in the water.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture declared 14 counties in the disaster areas. Counties included are: Beaufort, Carteret, Craven, Duplin, Hyde, Jones, Lenoir, Martin, Onslow, Pamlico, Pitt Tyrell and Washington.

Some of the eligibility requirements for the Emergency Loans are as follows:

1. Be a citizen of the United States.
2. Be an established farmer (whether owner or tenant).
3. Possess legal capacity to contract for the loan.
4. Possess the character, ability, and experience necessary to carry out the proposed farming operation.
5. Be unable to obtain sufficient operation credit with his present creditor or elsewhere to finance his actual needs at reasonable rates and terms.

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"As to Mr. Hersey's estimate of the number of members who would join the new organization, I believe he was overly optimistic. In fact, the statement about representation in the new organization was somewhat erroneous and misleading. The newspaper account stated that delegates attending the meeting represented eight of 13 districts in the State Convention. Of the eight associations listed, only the Piedmont, the Blue Ridge, and the Rock Fish have ever been affiliated with the State Convention. The total membership of these three associations would probably amount to about 10 per cent of the membership of the State Convention."

"I sincerely regret that so much confusion has been caused in the minds of people about our church, and I will be happy for the new group to have their own organization if they will stop trying to stir up confusion and divide our churches. I prefer separate organizations for those who cannot work in harmony with existing groups."

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