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FLOOD LOSSES HELD DOWN BY UNsung HEROES

The cooperation of hundreds of unsung heroes held flood damage down to a low figure, estimates County Commissioner Lowell Hughes. Hughes says that it is hard to tell yet how much damage has been done to turnips (seed), potatoes, corn and broccoli. Several fields in the Fir Island area have not been harvested. Broccoli from one field was being harvested this week. He could not recall any cattle losses.

BREAK REBUILT

The break of the Freshwater slough has been rebuilt with the dike set back on the Lundeen land. The state is cooperating with the dike district in putting in 1,500 feet of new dike but not all will be done now. State money is expected to pay for 40 percent of the cost.

ROADS ESCAPE DAMAGE

Hardly any damage was done to roads although several bridges upriver didn't come through unmarked.

Hughes said that if the dike had given way at Lundeen's that whole area would have been covered with water at least three feet higher than for the top level the week before. As it was no homes were damaged and he was fairly sure no home had water above floor level.

COMMITTEE APPROVED

The city council last night gave approval to Mrs. Wilna White's suggestion that a permanent committee be formed of the council's membership to act in emergencies with the mayor pro tem as chairman. City attorney George McIntosh will draw up an ordinance on the matter for next meeting of the council.