

These twisted metal road barriers and the displaced construction equipment attest to the destructive forces present in the Woodsmill area that night. Note how large the trees were in this area.

In this view of the same area, we also find strips of clothing hanging from the debris. After Woodsmille we started south for Lynchburg.

Homeward bound we noted north of Lovington east of Duala ne 29, that a newly constructed split level home had been completely imbedded in the mud at the lower levels. The owner has since removed the upper portion for salvage. The original stream bank is visible in the foreground. All the overburden above it was washed down by the flood. We were told that one child was lost from this home. - - Reviewing our story, it is well to remember that all the areas we visited, Lowesville, Piney River, Massies Mill, Tyro, Hat Creek, Roseland, Davis Creek, Rockfish and Lovington, are in the watershed boxlike valley areas of Nelson County. When this tragedy struck it struck all areas simultaneously. There was no chance for warning. As one area got it - so did the others. The damage to farmland - the destruction of communications - the occurrence of murderous slides - washouts of roadways and bridges - the loss of life and of homesteads - will mark for a long time the minds and the memories of those who were able to survive the night of August 19th in Nelson County. *▲ pause*

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*While I am putting away our equipment,
my wife will be available for any questions
you may wish to ask.*