

Board of Supervisors,  
Fayette County, Illinois.  
Vandalia, Ill.

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Hon. Henry Horner,  
Springfield, Ill.

My Dear Governor:

I have just talked to Mr. W. M. Farley, director of this area of the I.E.R.C., calling his attention to the serious situation in this county as a result of the prolonged drouth, and I am writing to ask you if it would be possible for you to direct him to make an investigation of this situation and suggest a remedy.

Drouth and other conditions have cut the wheat, oats and hay crops to almost nothing in a great many cases and the corn is now at a stage that it must be placed in silo or something done to save it, with no rain yet in sight.

Would it be possible in this emergency to use WPA labor and distressed farmers on a project to build temporary silos and help to harvest this corn crop and save it.

If anything can be done it must be done very soon and I believe it could best be done through the WPA organization, if that could be liberalized temporarily to include these distressed farmers who are not already on relief or on the WPA rolls.

Very respectfully yours,



Chairman of the Board of Supervisor  
Fayette County, Illinois.