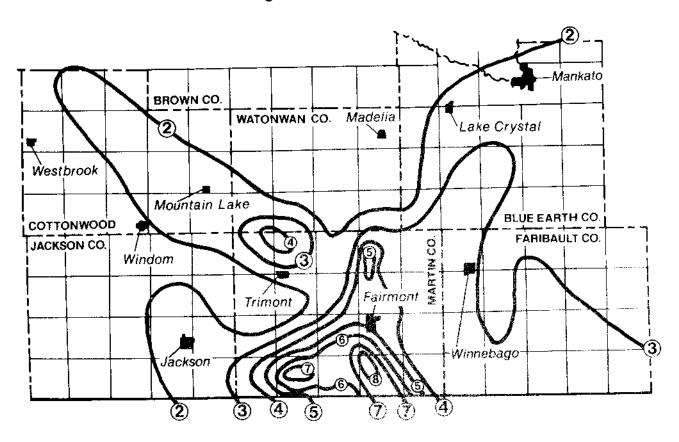
FLASH FLOOD (Southern Martin County) August 20-21, 1979



A flash flood occurred on August 20 and 21, 1979 in an area extending from Fairmont to Ceylon then southeast to Armstrong, Iowa. This flooding resulted from rain which fell between 7:00 and 10:00 PM on August 20. The greatest rainfall recorded was 8.5 inches in northwest Silver Lake Township. Four inches or more of rain occurred over an area in Minnesota of about 250 square miles with an additional area in Iowa. The heavy rains caused basement flooding, damage to secondary roads and crop losses. Some roads were under water into October.