

DIKE DISTRICT VOTES AGAINST MERGER PLAN

DISTRICT NO. 3 UNWILLING TO JOIN CONSOLIDATION PLAN WITHOUT MORE AND DEFIN- ITE INFORMATION

First concerted opposition to merge all the dike districts of the county in an effort to draft a flood protection program that might result in federal, state and county appropriations, was heard at a meeting of farmers of dike district No. 3, at the Finn hall at Lower Cedardale yesterday afternoon. A motion was adopted to delay signing a petition, which provided that a special election be called.

Considerable sentiment was expressed against the consolidation plan, several speakers saying they could not see that the district would derive any benefits. It was then decided to "table" the proposal for consolidation, at least until definite information is forthcoming.

Several other dike districts have previously approved the merger plan, which it was declared was necessary for securing help in a flood control program.

Three were nominated for commissioner of dike district No. 3. They are Peter Lee, E. Stien and R. Olson.

Andrew Anderson and John Sather were nominated for commissioner of drainage district No. 17, which met jointly with the dike district farmers. About seventy were in attendance.