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FLOODS IN AUSTRALIA

Man the pumps. Northern New South Wales gets the worst of the severe hurricanes which lashed Australia's east coast. The Richmond River rose 32 feet. Many lives were lost, thousands are homeless, livestock and property have suffered enormous damage. For a while the floods surged over the top of telegraph poles.

Marooned cattle gather feebly on high ground, survivors of magnificent beef herds.

Residential areas lie under 6 feet of water and the cameraman has to get his pictures by boat.

And if you don't want the baker to cast your bread upon the water, you've got to swim for it.