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Scott Zesch shared this photo of the Llano River from June 14, 1935. At the time of the photo, the Llano was at 38 feet flowing under the Highway 9 (now Hwy 87) bridge southeast of Mason.

The river rose to 46 feet that day, sending the bridge (as well as the Llano bridge) on its way. Flows at Mason and Llano were estimated to be 380,000 cfs and 319,000 cfs in Junction, the highest flows ever recorded on the Llano. By comparison, the Llano River flood of 1997 reached 260,000 cfs.

Widespread flooding was common during 1935 as Austin received over 9 inches of rain in both May and June. On May 30th of that year, 22-24 inches of rain fell on D'Hanis in 2 hours and 45 minutes.

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