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Brief VII. THE DYING HICKORY TREES ON LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK,
CAUSED BY THE HICKORY BARKBEETLE.

**Methods of Community Cooperation
in Control Work.**

Unorganized - In most cases an unorganized method of concerted individual action, in accordance with a general plan and mutual understanding by which each property owner agrees to do his share of the work on his own property will be the most practicable. In the adoption of this method it is sometimes advisable to provide for the temporary employment of a general superintendent who has had experience in or full instructions on the essential practical details of locating, marking and disposing of the infested trees. Among his principal duties would be a general inspection of all of the properties and to give advice and instructions to the regular superintendents of estates or local owners.

Organized - Under the organized method of cooperation a simple community organization of the principal property owners is formed with a secretary-treasurer and an advisory committee consisting of two or three members who have manifested the greatest interest in community improvements, especially as to landscape effects, parkings and the general care and protection of forest and shade trees, and in addition have the required time at their disposal or willingness to take the time to give the matter proper attention.

A fund should be provided for the temporary employment of a general superintendent and for such other joint expenses as may be desirable, such as the employment of laborers for general control work or for the special disposal of infested trees on properties where one or more property owners for some good reason can not, or will not, have the required work done.

Another important object of community organization is to hold meetings for general discussion of community interests in the protection of the trees and the management of wooded and park areas, lawns, road sides, etc., also to arrange for special speakers and instructors from Federal, State, or private sources.

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