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FUND IS O.K'D FOR RAISING SKAGIT DIKES

CHAIRMAN OF FLOOD CONTROL COMMITTEE CONFIDENT CON-GRESS WILL PASS BILL AP-PROPRIATING BIG SUM

WASHNGTON, June 6.—(P)—The house flood control committee today approved a bill authorizing an appropriation of \$340,000,000 for flood control activities.

Chairman Wilson of the committee said he believed the bill would be passed by congress because the work would provide a great deal of employment, would be a permanent investment, and would afford protection to life and property. He estimated annual flood damage at \$600,000,000.

Projects included:

Rio Grande below Fort Quitman, Texas, flood control dam, cost \$16,-000,000.

Skagit river and its tributaries, Washington, raising of flood protection levees on the delta to 11 feet to prevent erosion, cost \$2,000,000.

Snohomish river and major tributaries, Washington, bank protection and drainage, cost \$2,000,000.

Nooksack river and its tributaries, Washington, drift barriers, straightening of rived channel and construction of bank revetments, cost \$1,000,000.

Puget Sound and tributary, Washington, removal of shoals, cost \$125,-000.