

## FLOOD CONTROL SURVEY PLANNED

Congressman Henry M. Jackson, conferring with County Engineer H. O. Walberg in Mount Vernon today, announced that he has requested an over-all survey of the Skagit river to determine where emergency flood control measures will be needed.

With the completion of the survey, which will be conducted by the county engineer's office, it is planned to work out a coordinated program of emergency flood control between county, state and federal agencies, Jackson said.

### To Seek Federal Aid

The congressman also stated that he will attempt to get additional government appropriations for the emergency work when the survey is completed. He said he will ask the U. S. army engineers to meet with county and state officials to help in working out an emergency program of flood control.

Federal flood control work can be done only on existing dikes or work which had formerly been completed by government W. P. A. projects, mainly revetment work, Jackson said. However, the authorized and comprehensive survey of flood control on the Skagit river that has been underway by the government for some time, is expected to be completed this winter. He said that it would probably be two or three years, however, before the project would come before congress for its approval or rejection.

"Meanwhile, emergency work is necessary on the river," he pointed out, "and by working out a coordinated program between the county, state and federal agencies, we will be in a position to take care of vital places along the river where erosion is bad and flood danger great."