

# THE MOUNT VERNON ARGUS

## Intercounty Flood Control Work Urged

Herman I. Hanson, Mount Vernon's superintendent of public works, has called for inter-county planning for flood control as a major discussion topic at the 25th annual meeting of Washington Flood Control council being held today in Renton. He is council president.

"It is obvious to anyone connected with river work that most of the river work done to date has been piece-meal construction, seldom accomplished in accordance with any over-all plan," Hanson wrote in his call for the meeting. "This must be

corrected if lasting benefits are to be realized. The need for coordinated planning and construction on an inter-county basis, wherein the state can act as the coordinating agent, is vital in the flood control operation. New legislation is needed to make this possible."

Hanson declared almost a million dollars would have to be spent to repair damage to flood control installations alone done in Snohomish and King counties by last November and December floods. Total property loss was more than ten times that amount, he said.