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WHAT BRIDGE? SAYS COUNTY

The Concrete Lions Club played hosts to the county commissioners last evening, having invited them to be present to give their knowledge and advice to a discussion of a Skagit river bridge for the upper valley. Commissioners Ed Carr, Lowell Hughes and Wallace Sharp heard the discussion of the club in regard to the project that has been the subject of campaigns, meetings and publicity here for a number of years, culminating in a definite selection of a site and the promise of active support by the commissioners last spring.

Then the commissioners shocked the club members almost out of speech by admitting that they knew very little about a bridge for this district and had made no effort whatsoever to investigate the possibilities of building one. There was never even an inquiry by the board into how a bridge could be financed.

When the members recovered their breath there were proposals of what should be done and how that came thick and fast. Several plans were laid out for the county men to study and the Lions promised to see that the subject was kept well up on their list of “things to be done.”

Most logical plan was a bonding of the county for a small mileage which money added to the saving from discontinued ferries would pay the cost of a bridge in a few years.

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