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RAGING SKAGIT RIPS OUT BOOM

Machinery Arrives At Newhalem For Third Unit Of Gorge Power Plant

ROCKPORT, Oct. 10—The Skagit river which has been raising steadily the past week, reached almost flood stage Monday night. During the night the waters rose eighteen inches which is almost unprecedented for early fall.

The great wall of water at the Diablo dam site washed away three lengths of boom and did damage estimated at several thousand dollars to equipment. Work, however, has not been retarded on the project other than a slight delay and no serious results are anticipated.

Power Machinery Arrives

W. F. Daniels of the Westinghouse Electric plant of Pittsburg arrived here in charge of nine cars of modern electric machinery which will be installed at the gorge powerhouse at Newhalem by the City of Seattle Lighting department. This will complete the third unit. Mr. Daniels left Thursday for Newhalem with the shipment which was one of the largest and heaviest freight cargoes to arrive at one time. Mr. Daniels left Pittsburg on September 18. The first eight cars arrived here Tuesday but the ninth car, on account of its extreme width, found difficulty in getting through tunnels and was slightly delayed.