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## Up to Commissioners Now

Voters of Skagit County acted wisely in their behalf in Tuesday's flood control election. Now, if the law and election are upheld in court, the machinery has been set up whereby Skagit County can take advantage of any opportunity for permanent constructive flood control.

The county commissioners will do well by themselves and the public by not abusing the confidence placed in them as directors of the flood control district. The law says taxes up to two mills MAY (not must) be levied. The commissioners should not grasp this merely as another way to raise money, but instead make no flood control levy until there is a prospect of a definite flood plan where Skagit's money will do the most good.

As an election sidelight, Burlington voters showed they know which side of their bread is buttered. The Skagit River is Burlington's most serious problem of the future. One guess is as good as another as to what would happen if the river is not controlled.