

# Aswan Dam Program Planned At Ephrata

EPHRATA — A m m e d M. Talaat from the United Arab Republic's High Dam Ministry will arrive at the Columbia Basin Project headquarters here Thursday to begin a two-day study of the project.

His itinerary includes a guided tour of Grand Coulee Dam and a close look at the irrigated land throughout the area, bureau officials said.

Talaat is a public relations director in Egypt, responsible for making arrangements for visiting dignitaries and briefing them on the objectives of the Aswan Dam project.

This dam will be the largest rock-fill dam in the world, in size, storage capacity and electric production. It is expected to irrigate a million acres of desert and provide water for the irrigation of another 700,000 acres now watered by flooding rivers.

He will present a slide show on the Aswan Dam to the public following a Kiwanis meeting at the ERC Building in Ephrata at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Talaat is on a four-month visit to the United States, arranged by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs' international visitor program.