

MAJOR FLOOD FEAR PASSES, RIVER DROPS

Continued rise of the Skagit river during more than forty-eight hours came to a halt in Mount Vernon today, giving hope that the flood danger that has hovered over this community would soon pass. Small streams had already flooded many sections following incessant rains, but fear of another major flood in Skagit county was dispelled when the Skagit's steady rise was checked by a change in the weather today.

The river had reached a height of nearly 23 feet on the gauge here this morning, two or three feet from the danger mark. Up until noon, the river had neither risen nor fallen, but it was expected the water would begin to drop late this afternoon or tonight.

Reports from the eastern part of the county were to the effect that the river was already dropping. Water along roads and highways was also disappearing as the rain deluge of the last few

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