The Editor's Day Off

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Skit river showed last Saturday in a very quick manner, and the reports on the need for men and equipment at various danger points. Hanson then knew what was going on out there along the river banks and where to send his men.

All-Night Shift

The ham radio operation had its confusions. What emergency service didn't that night? But it helped. Only source of information on conditions at Hamilton for several hours was by amateur radio. One ham who came over from Anacortes went on duty at 3 p.m. Sunday and remained on the job until 7 a.m. Monday until relieved, then was back early Monday night. I don't know if Whiting still ever went to bed.

3 A.M. Conference

Back in Mount Vernon at 3 a.m., I found the Red Cross officers and disaster committee officials hard at work despite the late hour, checking the situation, arranging for assistance where it had not been supplied, preparing for next day's big task of relief to flooded families.

City, County on Job

At the city hall, officials from Mayor Harve Vaux on down were standing by or working to ease the street flooding in the south part of the town, as the situation demanded. At the courthouse the engineer's office and road crews were on the job, too.

Elks Feed Hundreds

In Mount Vernon the Elks lodge threw open its club rooms as an assembly and feeding place for those workers. By 3 a.m. Monday more than 500 had come and gone. Manager Chris Rogers estimated. At the Conway fire station, one moment the place would be full of men and next, as a fresh emergency call came in, empty.

Helped Avert Disaster

Radio station KBRC, which we have considered as a fellow public service more than as an advertising competitor, really came into its own that night. Many farmers