

Duncan, a former postoffice in Spokane County."There is no
such place now,"M.H. Sullivan , Spangle in Names MSS Letter
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Dalkena, a town in the southern part of Pend Oreille County, on the Pend Oreille River. The name is a composite from Dalton and Kennedy, mill owners there. (Dalkena Lumber Company in Names MSS Letter 143(Meary

The Dalles, the greatest series of obstructions in the Columbia which are faced by the southwestern margin of Klickitat county. The obstructions are twelve miles long and the fall of the river there is 81 feet at low water and 60 feet at high. Celilo Falls at the head of the series of obstructions has a descent of 20 feet at low ~~and~~ but at high a boat can shoot over the steep slope. Lewis and Clark passing these obstructions in October, 1805, and returning in April, 1806, referred to them as the Long Narrows, Short Narrows and Great Falls.

Davis Creek, drains Davis lake into the Pend Oreille River,
Pend Oreille County. They were named for a pioneer of that name
who lived on the shore of the lake (Dalkena L^umber Company in Names
MSS Letter 143) Meany

Dayton, the seat of government in Columbia county. In 1864 there was a postoffice in that vicinity named Touchet. On November 23, 1871, Jesse N Day and Elizabeth Day his wife filed a plat for the city of Dayton. The next year the Touchet postoffice was moved to the new town. Jesse N. Day was born in what is now West Virginia in 1828. He came to Oregon in 1848 and died March 3, 1892 (History of Southwestern Washington Pages 284-285 and 341-342) Meany

(Notes added by Dean Guie- Founded by a Schnebley in 1859, he sold to the Days.

Deadman Creek a tributary of the Snake River in the northern Part of Garfield County. The winter of 1861-62 was very severe. Many cattle perished and two miners probably on their way to the Oro Fino mines perished. Their bodies were found at a place that has since been known as Deadman Hollow (History of Southwestern Washington Page 500) Formerly there was a post office in that vicinity by the name of Deadman. It was discontinued in August, 1880. The name of the creek arising from the same fatality is continued on recent maps. (Many)

Deep Creek, a town in the western portion of Spokane County. The United States Postal Guide runs the words together as Deepcreek. The region was first settled by Daniel and Alfred Stroup.

Deer Flat, a settlement on a park-like region near the Blue Mountains
in Asotin county. ~~The town there is the same name. One name~~

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~~The name is by the~~ Frequent appearance of deer gave rise to the
name .(Henry Hansen, Hanson ^Ferry, in Names MSSS Letter 236)

Meany.

Deer Lake in the southeastern portion of Stevens County. The name arose from the fact that deer swim across a narrow arm of the lake in making a short-cut from Deer Lake Mountain to Telescope and Jump-Off Joe Mount aims. Men in rowboats find it easy to kill deer there. (Evan Morgan, Loon Lake in Names MSS Letter 109) Meany

Deer Lake Mountain, takes it name from Deer Lake at its foot.

Deer Park, a town in the northern portion of Spokane county. The name recalls a good hunting region of early days.

Delaney, a town in Columbia named in honor of the resident
on whose land the station was established. (William Goodyear in
names MSS Letter 43) Meany.

Delta, in Walla Walla county, see Waitsburg.

Deming, a town in Whatcom county named in honor of George
Deming , the first postmaster (Postmaster at Demining in names
MSS Letter 522.) Meany

Denison, a town in Spokane county. The place was first called Buckeye after the Buckeye Lumber Company. That company moved to a place on the Spokane Falls & Northern Railroad named Hockspur. Confusion arose from men still going to the old town of Buckeye for work and the place was renamed "Pratt." Later the old place was revived by F.H. Buell and needing a new postoffice he chose the name Denison, his wife's family name. (L.C. Owen in names MSS letter 190) Meany.

D₁vide Lake on top the Cascade Range at the head of Tunnel Creek
in Kittitas county. The name was suggested by the Mountaineers Club.
Meany.

Dixie, a town in the southeastern part of Walla Walla county.

Herman C. Actor was the first settler but more

interesting were the three brothers Kershaw, also early settlers.

They were musicians and their favorite tune was Dixie. They became known as the Dixie boys. Where they located at the

crossing of the creek became known as Dixie Crossing, a Dixie School, Dixie Cemetery and finally Dixie station on Doctor Baker's pioneer railroad completed the evolution of the town's name.

(History of Southeastern Washington Pages 166-177) Meany.

Dodd, a former postoffice in Asotin county, named after 1897
for Charles H. Dodd, who had a mail route in that vicinity.

Domke Lake drains through Domke Creek into the northwestern part of Lake Chelan in Chelan county. There is a mountain in that locality bearing the same name. The name is in honor of the first settler in that vicinity. It is sometimes spelled Dumpky (Henry Gannett, Origin of Certain Place Names in the United States Page 107) Meany.

Douglas county created on November 28, 1883 and named
in honor of Stephen A. Douglas. Lincoln County had been created
and named four days earlier showing how impartial were the pioneer
legislators when bestowing such honors. In the western part of the
county is a town which was named Douglas in 1884 by Ole Rudd in
honor of the new county's name. (M.E. Hatcher in names MSS Letter
526) Meany.