

## Names

Wapato(Simcoe) Heading over news briefs in Yakima Herald, Dec. 30, 1902.

...The Christmas tree at the Simcoe school house was prettily decorated and the program rendered was appreciated by those present.

There is a great shortage of coal about here! Mr. Alex McCredy ordered four cars loads of coal several weeks ago but none has arrived.

Charlie Wernitsch is a Simcoe visitor this week.

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President Ed Whitson of the Yakima Water, Power and Light Co.--

The article in last Saturday's Seattle Times referring to the source of the city water supply as unhealthy etc.....

It is true that during the this time of the year the water in the Tietan turns to a pale, milky hue, caused from running swiftly over milk-colored clay beds and which gave the stream its name, Tietan meaning in the Indian language "white colored."  
...Yakima Herald, August 19, 1902.

## Migration

### Expression Origins

Chicago, May 31--F.H. Newell, director of the reclamation service has summoned representatives of western railroads, state land commissioners and reclamation agents to meet here tomorrow to take up the question of "blue sky" land investments. It is said the federal government is considering amovement for their suppression.

The prime purpose is to build up the New West because better inducements are offered in "estern Canada without actual conditions being better. The government is said to have recognized that something must be done to stop the removal of approximately 100,000 families a year from the United States.

The continued exposure of "fake" land companies which it is claimed have mulcted investors out of large sums by inducing them to buy land which is worthless or to which they have no more title than to a claim on the blue sky is blamed for the large emigration to Canada. From this is taken the nickname of the law which Kansas passed to outlaw such concerns... The Yakima Herald, June 5, 1912.



Names--Oregon

Ghost Cities

Sumper, Ore. Sept. 12--With the sale of the entire townsite of Lawton and all improvements therein to satisfy a judgment of \$3,000 held by Linn Sturgis, there passes from history and from the map a place that for a time broke boom records.

Five years ago Lawton was supposed to be in the heart of a rich mining country, sprang into existence and for a time no town in Eastern Oregon attracted so much attention. In its palmy days many attractive and imposing buildings were erected, including brick and stone structures and all was prosperous.

A newspaper flourished and the camp was a real mining town.

When the bottom dropped out and the mines were abandoned the disgusted investors forsook their buildings and there was no sale for them and for the last year there have been but three families resident in this veritably deserted city. With its foreclosure comes an end to even this occupancy, except on the charity of its owner.

The buildings are so far from any other place that it would not pay to move them, so they bid fair to pass into some desolation as has marked many of the early California towns--The Yakima Herald, Sept. 14, 1904.

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### Sedro-Woolley

Mount Vernon, Wash. Nov. 19-- Protests against the change of the name of Sedro-Woolley, as proposed in a bill which passed the state senate at Olympia this week are contained in petitions said to have been signed by about 100 residents of the former town of Woolley and sent by members of the legislature from Skagit county.

The name Sedro-Woolley was adopted when Sedro and Woolley for many years rivals, were incorporated in 1898. Phillip A. Woolley in 1890 founded the town whose name would be deleted... The Yakima Herald, November 19, 1925.

Names: Wapato.

Carried Wapato (Simcoe) in shorts from throughout the county in Yakim Herald during 1902 and until July 8, 1903. July 8 issue carried it only Wapato.



## Gleed..Names

James Gleed, wife and daughter arrived from San Diego Cal. Wednesday night. The many friends of Mr. Gleed will regret to learn of his serious ill-health. He was an early settler in the Yakima valley and his efforts assisted materially in advancing the interests of this section.

After an absence of several years the family is again located on the well-known Gleed farm on the Natchez--The Yakima Herald, Oct. 28, 1903.

## Historical. Names

Nob Hill. Pioneers  
Hubbard ditch

Mrs. Elizabeth Hubbard

One of the oldest settlers in the Yakima valley and one of the best known older women of the city died last night. Mrs. Elizabeth Hubbard, better known to her friends as Grandma Hubbard succumbed to an attack of illness primarily caused by old age.

Mrs. Hubbard was the widow of John H. Hubbard who died some ten years ago, would have been 80 years old if she had survived until next February, but has been confined to her bed for more than two months. Her residence was at 113 North Third street.

The funeral will be held from the undertaking rooms of Inman & Rose on Thursday at 2 o'clock. Rev. S.J. Kennedy will preach the funeral sermon and burial will take place in the Ahoma cemetery by the side of her husband whom she survived for a decade.

Mrs. Hubbard came to the Yakima valley with her husband in 1879 and settled on Nob Hill with her two daughters, Mrs W.I. Lince of this city and Mrs. E.C. Tubbs of Vashon island.

It was Mrs. Hubbard who first gave the name to Nob Hill, the family having come to this locality from Champagne, Ill, by way of San Francisco where their residence was in the now famous Nob Hill district and she is well known as the first white woman to make her residence in that section.

Her husband was the builder of the Naches and Cowichee irrigation canal, long known as the Hubbard ditch and Mrs. Hubbard's stories of the trials of the early days when there were many obstacles to overcome are among the pleasant memories which her friends will long cherish. Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard had made their residence in 11 states of the Union and she was fond of saying that the last state they found was the best and the section they chose the best part of that.



Though the contents of Mrs. Hubbard's will have not been announced, it is supposed that she left a large property. She was a shrewd business manager and took an active interest in her affairs until the end.

She is survived by her two daughters, Mrs. W.I. Lodd Lince and Mrs. E.C. Tubbs and by her granddaughters, Mrs. Levi Karr of North Yakima and Mrs. Florence Curry of Seattle. --Yakima Republic, October 7, 1910.

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North Yakima people are again agitating the dropping of the prefix "North" and simply using the name Yakima. It would seem that the North is unnecessary to make a city of Yakima and to leave it off would be a welcome boon to the army of correspondents to and from thriving metropolis-Puyallup Independent, November, 1901.

Some of the people of Yakima City have taken it into their heads to boycott The Herald for its agitation anent the dropping of "North" from the name of this city. This is a mistake on the part of the good people of Yakima City, for they cannot realize how miserable The Herald feels over their action. It is not the purpose of this paper to hurt Yakima City nor is such the purpose of any one in this city; neither is it the purpose to discredit them for wishing to stick to the old and aboriginal name of this valley that has made it famous throughout the whole country ever since the white man has had to do with it.

What the people of North Yakima desire is to get rid of the annoyance of the use of "North" causes them in a purely good business and commercial way; and Yakima City is wrong to protest against only one of the elements that enters into the scheme. Everybody in North Yakima is with The Herald in its agitation of this matter and it proposes to keepounding away until something is accomplished-Yakima Herald, Nov. 26, 1901.

Names      Postoffices

Buckingham

The postoffice at Buckingham , 14 miles south of Bridgeport has been discontinued because no one could be found to act as postmaster-The Yakima Herald, April 8, 1908.



## Names

Ellensburg, W.T. Jan. 15, 1885. Ed. Washington Farmer...

...Kittitass is no valley at all. There is no sense to spelling valley. Vale is the latin word for farewell. The mountains made a farewell to their slopes in Latin.

"Kittitash is an old Indian name for white clay to make paint of. The first settler in this mountain plateau was a swiss who had an eternal hatred for the letter H ever since the days of the shiboleth watchword and the origin of the English dialect which he says ought to be classed among the dead languages for its infernal discrepancies and contradiction. Well, this old swiss settler knocked them off the end of Kittitash and put on another s making the word Kittitass and not Kittitas as certain crazy newspaper scribbles always print it. Any word ending in a single h has the s sound in z as in the word has. The old man of the mountain says the only way to spell a proper name is to spell it as pronounced by the Indians who gave the first name. The first name of Kittitass is Kittitash and it has a creek named Ma-nas-tash yet. Leaving off the cockney H's and adding the swiss's s the creek's name would sound with a silvery swiss;bell jingle, Mas-Nass-Tass and would be a modern improvement on the old English wounds of harsh compounds.

There is no primitive in the word Yakima. It is part Chinook jargon, Yockwa for "this way." and a pet girl's name for mother when she says ma, imitating the bleat of a lamb that lost its mother. So Yakima must signify, this way, mother, but why this way mother. Time waits in the future to determine. The creek and region around Yakima is known as Itanum by both white and red settlers and should be the name of its future metropolis if a metropolis is expected for there can be no desire in the matter as desire is founded on love and faith and love and faith never despond and

never surrender. Blessed are they which expect nothing for they shall not be disappointed.

The thing most needed on the Itanum is a tannery; then the original townsites ~~the~~ settlers could say to their competitors as Intanum Indian women often said to their deer skins when brains were plenty; "I tan 'em heap, you bet your life. Get up Joe. Charley. George. What for you let em railroad steal your ilike, eh?"

Ellensburg is named <sup>a</sup>after a man's wife whose christened name was Mary Ellen and who signs her name "Mary" --- Now where is the sense in discarding the first scared name of Mary to adopt the impoverished name of Ellen--which had the capital H knocked off from its front end by an English princess, daughter of a tyrant king who could not pronounce Helen any other way <sup>+</sup> the website proprietor finding another town hid away in the mountains of Oregon known by the same name concluded after a serious investigation of the English alphabet (stolen from the Arabians) to add the hated h on the burg ~~and~~ end of the town-name, thus: Ellensburg. Why in the name of all that is holy and true did he not put the capital H on the front end of his town's name and make it read Helensburg? If he wanted to be as economical ~~as~~ I's as he is extravagant on H's he could have left one I out and that would have changed its orthography ~~or~~ even if its topography did remain the same.

Burgh is a corruption of the word Borough signifying an old German corporation site in Pennsylvania where the village squire is lord mayor, poundmaster and judge of good old Monongahela whisky.

The name of the city and creek that serpentine around Ellensburg is Wee-nan-um and its signification as well as its yearly decrease in water supply is not very prognostic of good omen for its being near a future megropolis that any



railroad company that knows beans from camas will bankrupt  
its exchequer to benefit. The Maxwell survey  
line runs in four different directions in Kittitas the main  
route being across the Monastash on the west side of the Yakima  
four miles away from the present county seat of uncertain name and  
fame. The Washington Farmer, January 17, 1885.



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### Liberty

The trading point on upper Swauk creek valley is Liberty, a hamlet near the mouth of Williams creek. P.T. Carson is postmaster and A.F. York conducts a general store besides which there is a hotel. A daily stage is operated between Liberty and Cle-Elum fifteen miles southwest which is the Swauk valley's shipping, banking, telegraph and express point. The well known Swauk placer mines are in this neighborhood while the whole region abounds in silver, lead, copper and iron. A rich though small farming and stock settlement more than two decades old is also tributary to Liberty. Liberty is the smallest of the six postoffice towns in the county, the others being Ellensburg, Roslyn, Cle-Elum, Thorp and Eastern--Central Washington history, Interstate, 1904.

Newport

Names.. "ashington

Ten miles distant on the road to the gold mines is Lake Cle Elum a beautiful body of water seven by ten miles in extent surrounded by all the beautiful scenery of the mountains.

The water is of crystal clearness and the bottom has never been found by any sounding line yet used.

Newport is the name of a summer resort on the banks of the lake connected with Cle Elum by a good wagon road and this is becoming a favorite resort during the hot days of the summer by residents of the valley.

West Shore, 1887--pp 704.

Indian names.

Kittitas is the Indian name for white earth, there being two chalk mines in the vvalley--Washington Farmer , Dec. 13, 1884.



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Lake Cachesse . Yakima Morning Herald, August 19, 1903.

Some idea of the early day activities in Walla Walla Valley is conveyed in the following paragraph from the Walla Walla Statesman of April 7, 1865:

Mule teams loaded with goods are leaving every day for Kootenai and Boise. The town is literally besieged with pack trains and wagons; steamers are making daily trips from below and stages and saddle trains are going in all directions loaded with passengers.

Walla Walla's Main street is the old Nez Perce trail worn deep through centuries of travel. Out across the Blue Mountains, down through the Grand Ronde valley, a fairly good road had been constructed before 1865 and the Mullan Road from Ft Benton completed. Still there were many difficult stretches in the road some sandy, which teamsters dreaded. One of these was 40 miles from Walla Walla.

On one of these long journeys homeward from the mines two weary teamsters turned from the well beaten trail, having in mind a short cut. There was no well definite path, just a place where the hills met, a winding way which went on and on for miles. Suddenly a gap appeared, the hills ended abruptly, a broad rolling plain met their eyes.

"Eureka, Eureka" exclaimed one of the men. The newly discovered plain over which they traveled toward Mullan Road became known as Eureka flats.

Today a good road called the Canyon road winds among these hills.

The traveler coming to the end of the road is moved to exclamations of wonder and pleasure, "What a Pleasant View" said one. And so the old name was buried in the romance of the past and a new name was given the broad winding rolling plane, that of "Pleasant View."

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Goldendale--Settled by Mortimer Thorp in the late 50s.

Acquired by John J. Golden, Sept. 5, 1871. Incorporated by territorial legislature and approved November 14, 1879.