

Here was one of the salmon fisheries along the Yakima River <sup>canal intake</sup> existing old even when the Sunnyside ~~dam~~ <sup>with deep holes with under</sup> was built at the turn of the century. It was a natural fishery and was called "Sope"

~~xxxxxx~~ the common Indian word for dam. ~~xxxxfishery~~

A (military map of 1856 ~~xxxxxx~~ of ~~xxxxxx~~ <sup>Calabria under</sup> located "Yakima Indian Country" locates a mission on the north bank of the river and the same map ~~xxx~~ shows the location of A-Tah-Nam or Ahtanum Mission, founded by the Oblates on the ~~Nx~~ <sup>of way immediate</sup> Ahtanum at its present location of restoration. ~~xxxxxx~~ Yakima is spelled "Yakama," and the Naches River is spelled Naches <sup>on the maps</sup>.

Across the river ~~xxxxxx~~ toward Barker was the long house of ~~xxxxxx~~ old days called Ahlie-e or Towards the River.

At this location, in prehistoric times was located subterranean dwellings of people of whom Indians ~~xxxx~~ living here and interviewed by the Railroad Survey parties in 1853-54 had no knowledge although their lodges were built ~~xxxx~~ partially upon the old ruins. At only one other location, and on the Columbia River near present Hanford were such ruins recorded ~~xxxx~~ as early as 1840. The ruins were destroyed by construction of the intake works.

The ridge toward the northwest and ~~xxxx~~ road leading to Moxee Donald Pass is the old Konewock Pass, a word unknown to Indians who called it Kee-wan-Ump. ~~xxxx~~ the ridge is the legendary canoe, left after the great flood which covered the valley. Three times, ~~xxxx~~ according to legend, was the earth destroyed, once by fire, again by wind and another time by flood.

This was a home area of the Saluskin family, whose chiefs were descended from We-on-wicht, ~~xxxx~~ <sup>head</sup> chief of ~~xxxx~~ the entire region and who died ~~xxxx~~ <sup>had</sup> long before the Treaty of 1855, and who in turn succeeded an older chief by the same name. This was an area occupied by the Pishwanapum, Rocky Ground People, one of the 14 tribes and bands confederated into the Yakima Indian Nation.







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David Miller Sr

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TOPPENISH-Some of the ~~final~~ last remaining ties between the old and the new were severed Saturday with the death of David Miller Sr., long-time Yakima tribal leader.

~~Mr. Miller~~ He died at 12:30 p.m. yesterday in the Central Memorial Hospital here where he had been taken Friday, unconscious, after suffering a stroke. He never regained consciousness.

A one-time tribal judge, member of the ~~Yakima~~ Columbia Fish Committee when it was composed of tribal representatives from all Northwestern tribes, former ~~Toppendish~~ Toppenish Long House chairman and many other leadership positions were held by the 78-year-old ~~man~~ man who was born at Fort Simcoe.

His Indian name was Klinquit, taken from the name of his grandfather who was of the Klinquit band, one of the 14 tribes and bands confederated at the Treaty Council of Walla Walla.

K Klinquit was regarded as the last survivor of the original Wilbur Methodist Church at Fort Simcoe, and he was a Methodist.

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He was highly regarded as a farmer and in 1954 was chosen the Yakima Indian Nation's outstanding gardener.

During the years Mrs. Miller was ill, before her death in 1953, he did all the canning for the family from the produce of his famous garden . It was after Mrs. Miller's death that he relinquished his chairmanship of the Toppenish Long House to his son-in-law, Alex Wesley.

It was during the 1950s that the tribal venerable gathered research material for the tribe covering Yakima fishing rights. Late in the 1950s he took the leadership in meetings at which fishing statistics were gathered from 300 to 400 Yakimas who had been dependant upon the Welilo Fishery for a living before The Dalles Dam was built.

The family home , for the large family of which he was the patriarch was on LaRude Road, west of Toppenish.

~~Immediate~~ Immediate survivors include seven sons and daughters, Mrs. Hattie Wesley, Toppenish; Tony Miller, Wapato; Edith Miller, Jack Miller, Toppenish; Mrs. Arlene Lloyd, Wapato, Mrs. Delores Kunki, White Swan and David Miller Jr.

The body is at the Sourwine-Merritt Funeral Home, Wapato.



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Yakima Indian Agency, to openish-- Work of getting the Yakima Nation's Adult Education Program under way is ~~being~~ being organized by the Yakima Tribal Council's Education Committee and Robert Muehe, education specialist.

"The program," Eagle Seelatsee, council committee chairman said is designed to offer as varied an education program as possible."

Muehe, assigned to the Yakima Agency by the regional office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Portland has been with the Bureau six years, the last four at Turtle Mountain with the Chippewa Government day school.

He said :

"We are anxious to work with groups and all individuals in any form of individual or group education ~~to~~ they may desire. "

He emphasized that he wished to work personally with individuals and hat the program is for adults in any age bracket.

"The program is not designed for those who ~~have~~ are attending school," Muehe emphasized.

Under its education program, the Yakima Indian Nation through the 14 member Tribal Council has been carrying on varied educational activities, but there has been no ~~program~~ developed program for adults or groups of adults.

Seelatsee, the council's committee chairman for education is assisted by Stanley Smartlowit , Robert Jim and Louie Schappy. Their activities ~~x~~ now will include working with ~~Ed~~ Muehe to carry out the expanded program reaching into the adult field.

Long houses in various sections of the Yakima Reservation will be used for the mass meetings ~~dealing~~ dealing with the program. Muehe held the first meeting in the White Swan Community Hall last week. He explained details of the program and showed a film.



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The program will be explained and the explanatory film shown at a ~~addess~~ meeting for the Satus district residents Nov. 16. This will open at 8 p.m. and is scheduled in the Satus Long House.

Meetings for the Toppenish and Wapato areas will be held after the Nov. 28-30 General Council meeting. The Toppenish meeting will be held in the Yakima Indian Agency because of fire damage last year to the Toppenish Long House.

"The program is in its infancy," Muehe announced, "but the desire ~~xxx~~ of Indians on the Yakima Reservation for education is already making itself known.

"To date we have adults who wish work in such varied fields as high school commercial, art, electrical maintenance, road engineering, elementary mathematics, ~~p80~~ practical mathematics, architecture, high school business, electronics, mechanics, bookkeeping and other fields. In addition, several people have requested work to either finish or start their high school education. "

He said that in one field of adult education offered by the government, there are ~~xxx~~ as many as 254 courses and 2,700 study units. stud

He said one purpose of the ~~community~~ various community meetings ~~00add~~ is to help individuals choose the right background courses through determination of desires and education wants.

"This is possible in many instances only through individual contacts and I wish the Yakimas to know I am ~~add~~ always willing to meet with them individually to help them in this matter of education," said Muehe.

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SATUS--Second of the community meetings on the Yakima Indian Reservation at which Robert Muehe, education specialist is explaining the Yakima Nation's newly inaugurated Adult Education Program will be held tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the Satus Long House.

Four such meetings were scheduled, one at White Swan last week, the one at Satus, and ~~two others for the~~ gatherings for the Toppenish and ~~Wapato~~ Wapato areas will be held ~~after the General Council~~ sometime after the General Council meeting, Nov. 28-30 in the White Swan Long House.

The Yakima Tribe has had an education committee for several years, concentrating chiefly on scholarships---aid to Indians studying for careers, Eagle Seelatsee, committee chairman said. But the Adult Education Program is for those who have never attended school. Seelatsee and his committee, Robert Jim, Stanley Smartlow and Louie Schapny are assisting Muehe in the adult program.

Muehe will explain the program and show a film tomorrow.

"The program is in its infancy," he said, "but the desire of Indians on the Yakima Reservation for education is already making itself known."

He said that he wished to work individually with Indians to accomplish carry out the program and would be available to individuals or groups whenever called upon.

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Seelatsee said that ~~scholarship~~ the Yakima Tribe embarked upon a scholarship program six years ago or more ago as one of the ~~activities~~ to be implemented by the ~~council's~~ council's education committee.

This year 42 enrolled members of the Yakima Tribe are continuing education and individual training through operation of the ~~scholarship~~ tribe's scholarship fund. This includes not only persons working for university degrees but ~~certificates~~ <sup>certificates</sup> ~~adddddd~~ permitting them to follow careers in beauty ~~sdccdaa00000~~ <sup>culture,</sup> nursing, mechanics, electronics and many other fields.

Seelatsee joined with Alex Saluskin, chairman of the Tribal Council at expressing the council's pleasure ~~at inauguration~~ ~~at inauguration~~.

at assistance of Muehe as education ~~sdccdaa00000~~ specialist, in the expanded program.

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"In the past weeks, individual families and groups have invited me to their homes and meeting places. I wish to thank ~~tdccdaa00000~~ them for the courtesies extended. I will appreciate hearing from any individual or organization that may wish to discuss or participate in our program," said Muehe.



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TOPPENISH- Regulations newly drafted by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, governing dwellings and other structures at five Columbia River in lieu fishing sites ~~xxxx~~ between The Dalles ~~Dam~~ and Bonneville dams will become effective April 9.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs announced the regulations were drawn to eliminate unsanitary and unsafe conditions which the bureau said has existed at the sites and were referred to various state, local agencies and Indian tribes for comments before revision and approval.

The Yakima, Warm Springs, Umatilla and Nez Perce Indian tribes utilize the in lieu fisheries.

The regulations were drawn after complaints had been received that sanitation and health conditions were unsatisfactory, it was announced by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Lone Pine site near The Dalles and Cooks on the Washington shore were two specific sites mentioned.

~~The regulations specify that no permit may be issued by the~~

The regulations specify that no permit may be issued by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for any permanent or semi-permanent dwelling



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sanitary and safety regulations required by state or federal law, or by U.S. Public Health Service regulations.

The regulations also prescribe that no Indian shall use any site for any activity contrary to provisions of applicable laws or regulations of the tribe or state or federal agencies.

The Bureau announced that this covers illegal fishing by Indians.





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The termination bill affecting the Colville Confederated tribe<sup>#</sup> which was reported ~~by~~ by the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee to the Senate for passage this session of Congress, was ~~the subject of~~ discussed ~~when~~ when members of the Colville Business Council visited Washington D.C.

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ of The Business Council, ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ charged with the ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ considering and recommending on all legislative matters affecting the tribe

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ and other members of the ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ Business Council attended the

conference with Sen. Henry Jackson, <sup>and</sup> Staff Member, James James Gambel

<sup>They</sup> also conferred by phone with the former staff member, Tom Foley.

<sup>He</sup> assisted Sen. Frank Church <sup>in conducting</sup> field hearings in Washington State last fall.

While in Washington D.C. a poll of the members of the joint legislative committee showed that almost all were in favor of early passage of a termination proposal which is quite different from the previous proposal of the Colville Business Council, the Councilmen reported

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Instead of a two<sup>7</sup>/<sub>2</sub> step approach to termination legislation the new proposal would accomplish complete termination of federal supervision ~~by a complete~~ all-in-one termination law.

A key ~~of~~ of the ~~proposal~~ proposal would provide for a memorandum by the tribal members on whether or not they want termination ~~of federal supervision according to the further provisions of the law.~~

The ~~provision~~ provision would become effective only on the date <sup>by</sup> ~~the~~ majority of <sup>the</sup> ~~tribe's~~ votes ~~to~~ to discontinue federal supervision.

If they ~~vote~~ <sup>favorably</sup> further main provisions of the law would provide for ~~the~~ closing ~~of~~ tribal enrollment, appraisals of tribally owned property and opportunity for tribal members to elect to withdraw from the tribe <sup>their</sup> ~~and have~~ full fair ~~to~~ market share of <sup>tribal</sup> ~~assets~~ <sup>would be</sup> converted to cash or ~~to~~ remain in a tribal annuity under a management plan without federal supervision.

Any tribal forest lands sold to pay withdrawing members would be purchased by the Department of Agriculture and become National Forest land. ~~All such members of the delegation of the~~ ~~business Council aided early passage of the legislation by the U.S.~~



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**2** Senate, four members of the Council ~~to~~ expressed opposition to the bill either because they felt the Indians are not ready for termination of federal supervision or because adequate studies have not yet been made.

**L** Sen. Jackson was most attentive and sympathetic to all views expressed.

**L** Before the termination legislation can become law there will be ample opportunity for any technical changes in the legislation that may be found to be necessary when the matter is reviewed in the house Sub Committee on Indian Affairs.

**L** While in Washington D.C. the business council delegation also met with ~~Sen.~~ Dr. John Taylor, staff member, of the house sub committee and discussed termination legislation in general and to promote passage of the judgment fund legislation. The joint legislative committee of the Colville ~~tribe~~ Business Council plans to make available to all members of the tribe copies of the legislation as soon as possible.

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~~The Joint Legislative Committee, Colville Business Council~~



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Congress ~~0000y~~ ~~xxxx~~ approved a bill introduced by Congresswoman  
Catherine May to correct difficulties encountered by ~~Xakxxx~~ the Yakima  
Indian Tribe in acquiring and disposing of lands on the Yakima Reservation.

Final approval by the House of Representatives clears the bill, HR 5937  
for signature of the President.

The enactment authorizes the following:

Acquisition of Reservation and ceded land from Indians and non-Indians  
by gift or relinquishment as well as purchase.

Sale of tribal land not only to tribal ~~members~~ ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ as  
present but also to federal, state or local governments for  
recreational, educational, civic or other purposes.

Exchange of tribal land for other land within the reservation  
of the ceded area.

Sale and exchange of lands held in multiple ownership ~~and written~~  
upon the written authorization of the ~~xxxxxxx~~ owners of a majority  
interest in the land instead of ~~ad hoc~~ as present, where unanimous  
consent of all competent owners is required.

The changes are to facilitate carrying out the tribal land  
consolidation program.



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Indian meeting

COOKS (On Columbia River)-A meeting for all Yakima Indian fishermen will be held at Cooks next Wednesday at 6 p.m., L.R. Alexander, publicity director for the Third Un-Named Indian group announced.

Alexander explained that by the time of the meeting the Yakima Tribal Council will have met and discussed Columbia River fisheries, and that results of the meeting will be known by then.

To be discussed at the Wednesday meeting, Alexander said, will be the future of the Third Un-Named Group which was formed at Cooks by fishermen and older members of the Yakima Tribe on Oct. 2, 1962.

"Also to be discussed" said Alexander "will be: Election of a new chairman for the Third Un-Named group as the present chairman is to resign; consideration of a fishermen's treasury and board of trustees, and other business."

He said the meeting will be orderly to get better results and will be open and may be attended by other members of the Yakima Tribe. It is important that all fishermen attend to be better organized and prepared for whatever comes up in the future."

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Officers of the present Third Un-named Group are: Buster George, chairman; Clarence Tahkeal, vice chairman; Alex Wesley, secretary; Mrs. Ray Hoptowit, assistant secretaryxx one; Mrs. Louis Cloud, assistant secretary two; and L.R. Alexander, publicity director.



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Niebell , who came from Washington for a special general council meeting of

The detailed details of the money part of the settlement is for

This is land which was ~~originally~~ a part of the original Yakima

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## Indian claims

Niebell said that an original map of the reservation, drawn at ~~that~~ the time of the Treaty Council at Walla Walla in 1855, which had been sent with the minutes of the council to Washington, D.C. had "become lost at that time."

The subsequent location of this map at Washington, D.C., after the land, including the present site of Glenwood was settled, led the Indian Claims Commission to make a 1967 award finding, determining that the land was within the original boundaries.

He said the first step will be to confer with the Department of Justice. ~~Then~~ Then will come a hearing before the Indian Claims Commission, possible about mid-October. Then will come the writing of judgment and facts, then a final opinion and then a final order entering the judgment.

After that, Niebell said, it will be necessary to go to Congress for the appropriation. ~~after which~~ When an appropriation is made, the money will be deposited in the U.S. Treasury to the credit of the Yakima Tribe. Disbursement of the money ~~will~~ will be determined at that time.

Supt. Charles S. Spencer explained to the Yakimas that in determining the disbursement it is considered that the money is a tribal asset and not an individual asset like the compensation for ~~Celilo~~ The Dalles Dam Settlement for loss of the Celilo fishery.



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## Indian claims

"The Indian Claims Commission has determined that they should have been included within the reservation boundaries, and the Indians have requested restoration."

The claims attorney told the Yakimas it was his recommendation that the land would be more valuable, as forest land for tribal enterprise than for ~~any other use~~ a money compensation"

Niebell also explained that the \$2,100,000 settlement is based on an estimated value of the 98,017 acres of the land at the time of patenting some in the '90s and some as late as 1902, at \$2.50 and \$3 an acre.

The general council or tribal-wide meeting was a special one, to permit the tribe the opportunity of hearing Niebell explain the situation and to accept or reject the indicated compromise.

The annual general council is held each ~~November~~