He also complained of the lack of seed to sow seventy acres of land to wheat, and the

were destitute.

"All the farming implements that have been distributed for the past five years and a half even at exchange rate would not amount to as much as the salary of one employee for one year. Men employed to superintend the farming the total things have been ashamed to look an Indian in the face and mention farming for it would bring up questions that he could not easily answer," the he wrote

that he had gone without pay for over two years, and that vouchers were worth only thirty cents on the dollar.

Substituted widered to show that goods were damaged and

worthless for distribution, or had not been received. One shipment, 20 37

plant of pants, 22 coats and other goods were water sound and completely rotten."

eater and worthless for distribution and several bales and boxes were hever received.

Bancroft's estimates for the quarter ending December 2x 31st,1862, included \$3,925 for treaty employes, a superintendent of farming and two farmers at \$800 a year; superintendent of schools, two teachers, physician, two blacksmiths, carpenter, plow and wagon maker, a miller, tinner and head chief.

A barn for storage of grain was estimated at \$2,500, fences at \$1,000 and a respectively reaper, thresher, seperator, three breaking plows and other agricultural tools at \$1,200. Superintendent

other agricultural tools at \$1,200. Superintendent he hancreft, The communication to hale, (wrote that he "was not strongly attached to the service Among the multitude of my thoughts has sometimes

been that of resigning

Wilbur, who left the agency in Cornery, 1864, sexthans tory xees,

journeyed to Washington, so the story goes and laid his protests before

President Lincoln. He returned with the appointment of the position

began duties in 1865, a position be held with only one interruption, for

nearly eighteen years.

Immediately the agency reports took on a businesslike appearance, because

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Cor all has faults, be was a tireless worker and at a friend to those

who followed his way of life, the Wilbur Jadienes."

H.C. Thompson, superintendent of farming reported breaking 75 acres of

ground in one month and seeding 30 acres. IN one month while

and turned out 15,239 feet of lumber at the sawning.

Alfred Hall, the carpenter, made and stained three coffins, #18*

(in April 1863) 6 ax handles 50 cents, #3; 5 rake heads , #2.50; 4 bed boards, #3; dressed out 2 gunstocks for gunsmith, #3; made six frame picket gates and hung them, #42; and spent the rest of the time getting out lumber for fencing. Whe next month he worked 14 days on the bern at the mill and spent a day grinding the cutter and putting up the mower.

James McGrew, blacksmith, besides shoeing horses, made 64 harrow teeth, ironed six neck yokes and three sets of double trees, made 100 rings, repaired wagons at a cost of #25 and forged a branding iron.

Father Wilbur, as he was called by the Indians, directed the tribe in progress, education and agriculture, under a serious although religionistic administration.

Grazing privileges were granted to a few of the stockmen, bringing in

Several thousand deline dollars annually for the benefit of the people or Payment IN fat State Cattle which were Slaughtened to argue Lumber from the sawmill was transformed into homes, replacing tepees which had dotted the Valley.

Wagons, plows, harrows and harness were bought and given to those

bood Stokes

who worked for them but were denied to those who sought them as annuity goods. What there were specified and cordens scattered about

the reservation.

Early in 1866 a stage road, complete with relay stations, was opened through the reservation near the present route to Goldendale over Satus of the lumber produced at the well as some if 16,000 head of horses. Most of the lumber produced at the minimum was used for fencing the cultivated areas to keep out the story which was used for fencing the cultivated areas to keep out the story which was beginning to create a serious overgrazing problem.

The remainisevere winter of 1880-81 and those sought them as

The remaining severe winter of 1880-81 the stockmen descrious setback both on and outside the reservation because 80 to 90 per cent of the stock froze or starved to death, a repetition of nine teen years earlier.

Control all the the watern (820)

The military returned to the reservations in 1869 70 placing was del Putus Charge at SIMCOE

Lieutenant James H. Smith in charge. He was quick to point out the short

domings of Wilbur, who remained at heart an over-zealous missionary.

The lieutenant asserted that those following Wilbur's faith could obtain all they asked for, but others who adhered to their old belief were denied amnuities. his was even enforced in hair cutting, although long hair indexpaids was interwoven deeply in the old intermediate with religion, which the missionaries were unfamiliar in the could depos

"Furthermore," Lieutenant Smith wastern's wrote in an official report."

"in comparing the highly favorable reports from this agency regarding the wealth of the Yakima Indians on the reserve, the conclusion forces itself that these reports were grossly exaggerated..." An inquiry occasioned the reports Contentin ?

Exestraint of their religious liberty was always the occasion of great discontent and a direct violation of the most cherished ideas of the American people."

The government terminated military control over the reservations and

Refurning

Wilbur required as agent in 1871, and set forth his policy:

"If I fail to give moral character to an INdian I can give him nothing that does him permanent good. If I can succeed in giving him moral character, then he no longer needs the gifts of government. He becomes a man like any other and can take care of himself."

Wilbur built up attendance at the Indian school; the children were eagerly learning the ways of the white man.

He mid outlawed those who preved upon the reservation by running on the reservation & liquor there pland he outlawed gambling. He was a strict disciplinarian who resorted to the whipping post (for the land women) and the ball and chain and hard labor, for punishments of tribes men and wow find an offenders, He was the law of the lands at a think that Simuol has the "leading that Simuol has the "leading discrimination." Valley yells yalkimas

The years that swirled around Fort Simcoe and the Yakima Reservation, the people who lived there, and the country surrounding, are rich in history what many books would be required to tell the story.

Wilbur and give an insight into the Yakima ?

There was the time when the combattant snake and Paiute Indians of and the dishonded Malheur Res in one, whichod

Utah, Oregon and Nevada, who resisted settlement days for so long and whose scattered bands continue to attack wagon trains, were finally subjugated.

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by the troops. And out of a clear sky and in the dead of a severe winter under milday escape.

they were herded onto the Yakima Reservation and impounded.

"Five hundred and forty -three Snake and Piute Indians arrived yesterday without official notice of their coming, in a destitute condition, nearly naked. Something must be done immediately to feed and common clothe them,"

Wilbur wired to E.A. Hayt, commissioner of Indian Affairs on February 3,

1879.

Vilbur dutifully took the Yakima chief and interpreter to meet Captain W.W. Winters of the 1st avalry and the prisoners.

The Yakimas went to work with teams and hauled lumber from the steam sawmill to build a shelter, 150 feet long and 17 feet wide.

"It affords me pleasure to say the Indians of the agency did not revolt

he wrote. The camp was set up on Toppenish Creek, seven miles east of himself, a huge man weighing over 200 Pounds.

Fort Simcoe and Wilbur personally directed twenty Yakima freighters to help hove the prisoners and the two companies of soldiers addeemped ing them.

the also labored long and hard to help establish the Painte farm of first the Lone Pine Tree, just west of present white Swan, and the Painte William and school, four miles southeast of the same place. It was to obtain water for this that the old Painte ditch was dug, one of the reservations first major irrigation projects. Of the same Consequence.

Sarah Winnemucca, the pathetic heroine of the Paiutes accompanied her people to the reservation and Wilbur engaged her as interpreter and teacher but later replaced her with the of his converted Indians, the Rev. George Waters who was a Reduced in 1862.

At the same time Chief Moses and two hundred of his people from higher Upper the Kawachkiw, on the Columbia were brought in as a precaution against any outbreak resulting from the war with the Nez Perce.

There was an unexplainable friendship a between Moses and the grant of agent, and at one time Wilbur imprisoned Moses as a protective to keep him from being seized by settlers old Town (Union Gap).

When Moses eventually was seized and taken to Old Town, Wilbur himself

bailed him out and stood by Moses until the chief was acquitted of charges resulting from the minor outbreaks which all occurred off the reservation.

wilbur was disappointed that Moses and his people did not chose to remain on the Vakima Reservation, and that the Paiutes became dissatisfied for Wann Springs and I daho, and to wann springs and I daho, and deserted in wholesale numbers, when he enforced his "no work, no Food and Chother annual the "policy. He core tantly sought increased appropriations, for school, done and annual ties, and based on the empire of many tribes he was attempting to build, here that the hod fine to Washington.

But a reservation was created by Presidential proclamation for Moses,

and Sarah, seemingly content at first, finally took personal issue with

Wilbur and also went directly to Washington and complained strongly there

to authorities.

During All this time the Yakima leaded upon the Paiutes as guests and brothers, needful of assistance. They willingly consented to withdrawals ... Rations.

Rations.

Paring such times as Christmas, they slaughtered their own cattle, gathered presents of food and clothing and and most que times they were impelled to Keep a Chie watch delivered them to the Paiutes without consulting the agent.

For a time Some of Sarah's own people turned against her and there were long and bitter councils at which her brother, tee Winnemucca,

defended her, daplaining how it was; and Paiute leaders like Leggins,

La defended Warning, the medicing mon and defeated warming.

Paddy, Cytes, and Natchez spoke.

The a few years the Paiutes broke away and scattered to their old homes

In a few years the Paiutes' broke away and scattered to their old homes with Wilbur's Strong & Kample.

and the Yakima went on about the work of building their own lives.

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She preserved for feelings in letters and documents. She once wrote:

"Father Wilbur says he should be much relieved if the Piutes were not on the reservation. They have here been the cause of much labor and anxiety to him. Wet he does all he can to prevent their going away.

"What can be the meaning of this? Is it not plain that they are a source of riches to him? He starves them and sells their supplies. The does not say that if my incluence was removed my been did not mention the refusal of mention to work and make their own

future secure, as the Yakima were striving to do.

Sarah, when she left the reservation, barnstormed about the country for a time, spreading far and wide her version of the Wilbur administration and the wrongs inflicted upon her people, and there were few who contradicted

her. Be she grew poor and she grew chex to old, until she died in Near Monida, montana, her Indian Name, Tocmetone, and her two marriages to Army lieutenants, first BantLett and them Hopkins, forgo tien.

Corporal Wilbur wrote his resignation as agent on agust 15, 1882 and went to

Goldendale and eventually to Walla Walla, spending much time as swering government correspondence because even was even was compelled to make frequent accountings.

He died, October 8,1887, when he was 76 and Mrs. Wilbur died about the same time. She too had been a tireless, worker at the age.

General R.H. Milroy, former superintendent of Indian Affairs in Washington Territory succeeded as agent.

His first move was to sail most of the Indian epartment Cattle built up through increase and purchase It was a move that derived no benefit what seever for the Indians and was considered ill advised by their friends.

In addition to the loss of the cattle, much of the confidence of some groups of the inclination was lost in the short period before Milroy was discharged by Presidential order and after he had openly officially advocated that the reservation be closed, the Indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed addaed decorated the indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed addaed addaed decorated the indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed addaed addaed decorated the indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed addaed addaed decorated the indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed addaed addaed decorated the indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed addaed addaed decorated the indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed addaed addaed decorated the indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed addaed addaed decorated the indians cach receive given allotments and the addaed add

Fimothy A. Byrnes took over as superintendent, September 21,1885

followed by Charles H. Dickson, April 17,1886 and Thomas Priestley of

Wisconsin, who was appointed December 6,1886. In his report the following employees were shown:

Agent, physician, clerk, farmer, two herders, carpenter, milker, blacksmith, shoemaker, interpreter, eight police, four teachers, matron, eight police, four teachers, matron, interpreter, eight police, four teachers, matron, eight police, four teachers, eight police, four teachers, matron, eight police, four teachers, eight police, eight poli

Cattle and horses roamed about the reservation which was the in common for the ribe despite the loss time of settless. For had their although day the remark or brands by that time. Ferders, complored by the evency aftempted to without the livestock problems down.

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The Northern Pacific Railroad was completed through the reservation and to Yakima City in 1884-85; bringing a New eras about which Agent in 1995. A letter of August 25 reads: Milroy Commented ?

"Masine my lest annual report those two great civilizers, the arteries of enterprise and commerce, the railroad and the telegraph have been constructed through this reservation, about forty miles up the valley of the Yakima River; a branch or rather a continuation of the Northern Pacific to Puget Sound. Three stations have been established

and one telegraph station, one of these named Toppenish. This railroad has, is and will do much to stimulate industry in the Indians by giving them a ready market and good price for everything they can raise, and enabling them to see and communicate with the outside world. These matters indicate as much progress as could be expected.

shipments and mail resided in the change).

The same annual report shows great improvement in the Indian police and system. The officers were referred to as an entirely trustworthy and reliable.

Avery emergency trick.

The Indian courts were were successful in dealing justice. The old form of government used by the chiefs was changed and each policeman had a district in which he performed the duties of constable for the justice of the peace particle.

The reservation cours of three judges with original jurisdiction in higher criminal and civil cases operated much very much for the purpose of taking appeals for the Justice Court.

The reservation was divided into three districts and a commissioner was appointed for each to form a sort of reservation board.

These commissioners held jurisdiction over their particular area, very

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Eneas retired as captain of police in 1879 and was succeeded by Thomas A. Simpson and then Sglodedond Sergeant John Lumley was appointed captain in the early period when the salary was 8 a month . Other early-day officers were Roscoe Miller, Yow How An, Peter Pat Tot, Willer, for a will assult of doubles was Luxillo, Oscar Mark, Sharlo, Jim Wesley, Benson, Bave Walamet, Wallamet Thomas (ree, Hoptowit, Shusta Sattas, Sattas Aleck and George Columns Columns of Later of Leaser officers were to a

Lumley was commend for returning 200 fugitive Biutes)

And it was during the Willer ported that Dr. G.B. Kuykendall,

father of Judge Elgin V. Kuykendall of Pomeroy, "as agency physician and on occasion as acting superior additional agent.

much like a county commissioner. When road repairs were needed they ordered out the able bodied men, of the district, opening roads and constructing bridges where necessary. The cost of this was paid for from fines and taxes, the latter being imposed on males, from 20 to 50 years of old a needed they

The twenty-nine regular employees and twenty-one irregular employees can be compared with the hundred or more on the agency staff the the the the There was only one clerk on the staff indicating a minimum of record keeping.

The number of Indians shown by the census of 1880 was estimated at 3,400, and one hundred years after the Freaty, it is slightly in excess of was slowly, four thousand and increasing.

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them by whites occupying most of the best fishing stations. The Yallman

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and accustomed places in common with the citizens of the territory and

that the proof of the Salman industry
in later years this was developed to an important position in the nation's

economy.

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majority were practically civilized and were rapidly adopting manners and customs of their neighbors.

they had learned to steal a little, to lie a little and some of them even turned to drink, however drunknness was almost unknown. They seemed to simulate the virtures as well as the vices of the white men in equal proportion. Morals were still at a low ebb particularly concerning their marriage relations.

During 1888 they were supplied with 1,717 head of cattle to help make them self sustaining. These were issued to the head of each family which lived on the reserve with the exception of a small band living on the Yakima Piver under a leader named Cotiaking the was a son of the chief; however. He and his people refused to receive any cattle on the grounds that they did not want to be obligated to the United States, the my way, adding, we do not want our refusal to be considered as showing my dispersed to the government.

On May 13,1890, Webster Stabler became agent and panted out

What moust report showed that the people were unanimous in opposed
the apportionment of their lands in severalty, due to the enactment of
the allotment act. There were many farms at that the New
buildings and other signs of industry were apparent. Many of the ranches

compared favorably with those of wealthier white peoples who lived apart from the reservation.

The district commissioner that year was elected by ballot and five justice.

Chosen.

Stick Joe, the agency interpreter, was chosen

chief justice.

There were 106 Indian children in school at that time of which nine were attended attending the Chemawa School in Oregon.

In 1891 when Jay Lynch was appointed superintendent the school enrollment was 126 with an average daily attendance of 103. In addition to the superintendent of schools, Stokley C. Roberts, there were three other teachers. The agency staff remained much as it had been excepting there are addition of a fieldmatron, Mrs. Emlie C. Miller, who visited the homes. But the Indian women were way shy and in many instances was into the fields and hid from her. However after she gained their confidence, she furnished them aid in everything from toothache to providing material for a dress. It was not uncommon for her to preside at a funckal, conduct a prayer meetings or on occasion ferform a wedding ceremony.

The people built small, poorly furnished homes and in the summer spent most of their time out of doors. It was not uncommon to find two or more families living together thousand and the relationship of

the families was not always easily determined because the people were reluctant to discuss the facts.

because they were not accustomed to eating at regular times and did not have the necessary money for food and clothing.

The women however, were good cooks and they kept their clothing turprisingly clean. Milk, butter and cheese were rarely used in the homes since it was almost impossible to have enough pasture close at the keep a milk cow.

And they were extremely fond of their children and very kind to them.

Even now the Takimas still follow their ancient custom of going to the mountains in the spring for edible roots, in the summer for berries, to the Columbia River for salmon, to the hop fields in September and sometimes to the mountains again for hunting in the fall. On these trips the

into their mountain release, the cold people impart the culture of the old days and the wisdom of the old ways, to the little wide-eyed boys and girls.

then the allotment Act was passed in 1891, 305 allotments were granted to individuals.

In the insecure century since the Freaty there were a succession of twenty-three sub-agents, special agents and superintendents of the Vakina.

Many were devoted to developing irrigation which in turned helped to reveal the potential of wild rye grass, sagebrush and timber land the Superintendent Palmer placed so little value, to whom the red ment of whom the red ment placed so little value, but which was the mother Earth of the Indians and they clocked to Herefor Worldly and Spirifual well being a their subsistence.

Jay Lynch, who succeeded Stabley Stabler in 1891 was Applaced in 1893 by L.T. Erwin and he remained example until 1897 when Lynch returned as agent for the eleven years. Then a succession followed S.A.M. Young, 1909-1912; Don M. Carr, 1912-1914; Evan W. Estep, 1925-1930; H.W. Camp, 1930; C.W. Whitlock, 1930-1943; M.A. Johnson, 1936-1943; E.D. Shotwell, 1943-1950; Perry Skarra, 1950-1954 and D.E. LeCrone who succeeded Skarra when he was appointed assistant area director.

Legislation in 1922 provided for the removal of the agency headquarters from old Fort Simcoe to Toppenish. The boarding school, which had contributed to the education of the boys and girls, were closed and weathered away with the years. The students grew up to build a new life on the reservation or outside of it, at their children were absorbed into the public schools. The thank man's thee in the grove of into the public schools. The tage and the stars of the first attemp OAKS, Showed Signs of age and the stars of the first attemp of the years to cover over the noticed limb where a scalled to

Many other Indians see planted small patches or fields on the tiny streams that wound down from the mountains through the semi-arid lands. Thodadd

This commenced after the hostilities were terminated.

Ondiad Families in the Medicine Valley, "hite Swan and Toppenish Creek areas are still using some of thedold ditches their grandfathers dug. But the waterflow was scanty and frequently dried up during the

summer months.

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