

Web Quest: The Changing Pacific Northwest, 1900-1920

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In the early 20th century, the Pacific Northwest was transforming. The AYP Exposition in 1909 reveals the aspirations of the people of Seattle to transform the region from a hinterland to an urban global hub. During the 1910s, the Northwest was finding its identity through activism, progressivism, and unrest. Your task is to explore a few of these changes that help reveal how the Northwest transformed from 1900-1920.

Women's Suffrage

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1. When and where was the first women's right convention in the U.S.?
2. When did Washington state begin debating the issue of women's suffrage? Why did the original law fail to pass?
3. What impact did Susan B. Anthony's visit to Oregon and Washington have on the women's suffrage movement?
4. What happened in 1883 and what impact did it have on the following elections?
5. What were some of the setbacks to the movement after the 1883 law?
6. How was the movement revitalized in 1906?
7. When did women get the right to vote in Washington state? What was the impact nation-wide?

Utopian Communities

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8. What was the Puget Sound Co-operative Colony? Who founded it and what was their background?
9. What was the purpose of the colony? What were its ideals?
10. What was the status of Port Angeles by the early 1900s?

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11. How did the colony develop during its first few years? How did it change in later years?
12. What were some of the colony's achievements?
13. Why did the colony fall into decline by the 1890s?

Impact of World War I

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14. Which northwest industries benefited the most from increased production during WWI? (there are 4 total)
15. Explain why the growth of one sector of the economy "spun off thousands of other jobs?"
16. What was the "Spruce Division" and why was it created?
17. What did the Washington State anti-syndicalism laws of 1917 effectively do?
18. Why was activist Louise Oliverau sentenced to 10 years in prison?
19. What did many newspapers claim as the Russian steamer *Shilka* arrived in Elliot Bay in December of 1917?
20. What source was thought to be the reason the influenza epidemic hit Seattle?
21. How many people died of influenza in Seattle alone and what did health authorities do to stop the spread of the epidemic?
22. How many soldiers from Washington state lost their lives in WWI?