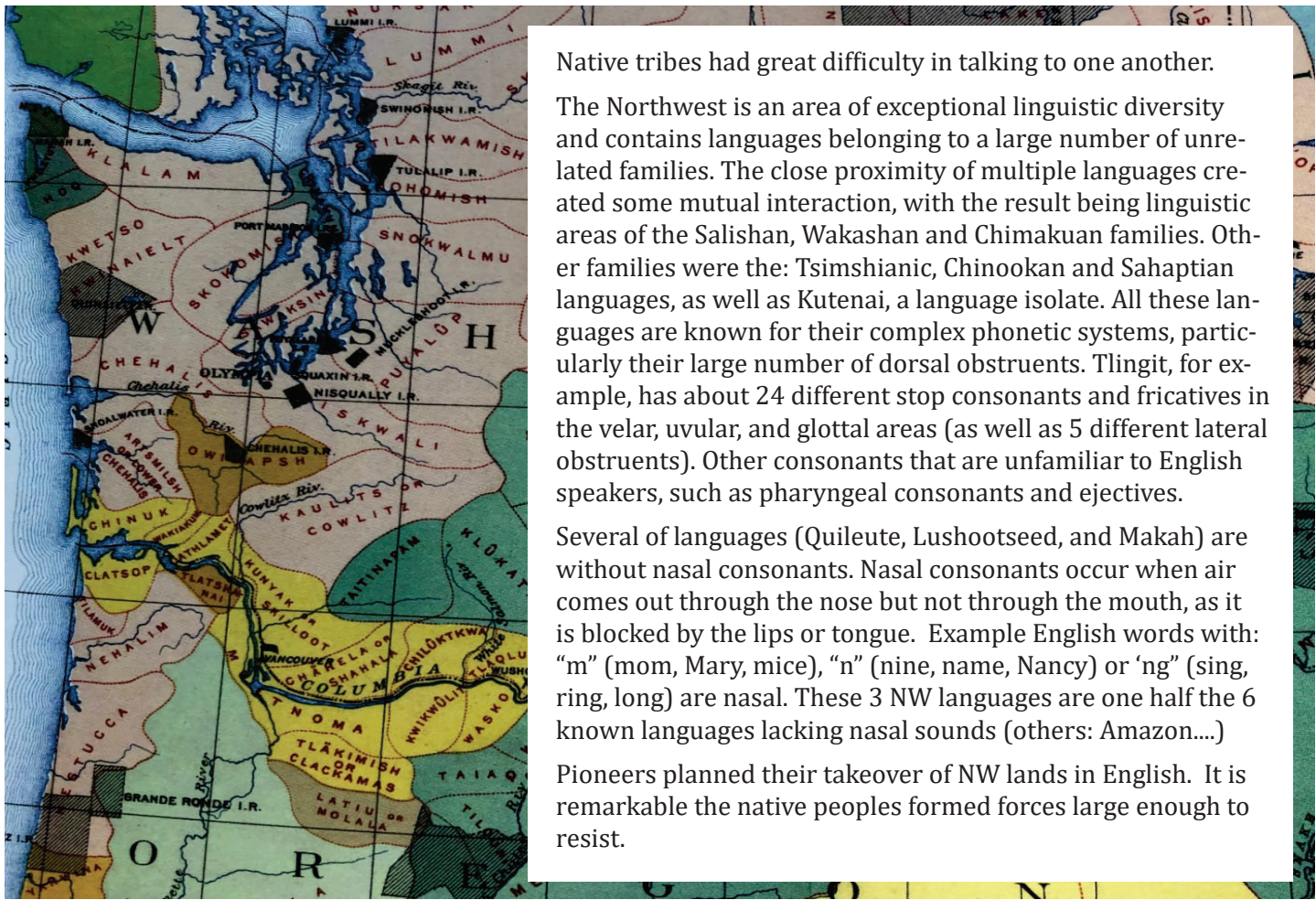


## History

The Northwest had the most densely populated areas of indigenous people ever recorded. The land and waters provided rich natural resources through cedar and salmon; highly structured cultures developed in relatively dense populations. Many different nations developed, each with their own distinct history, culture, language type or dialect and society. Some cultures in this region were very similar, while others differed. Prior to contact, and for a brief time after colonization, some of these groups regularly conducted war against each other through raids and attacks. Through warfare they gathered captives for slavery.

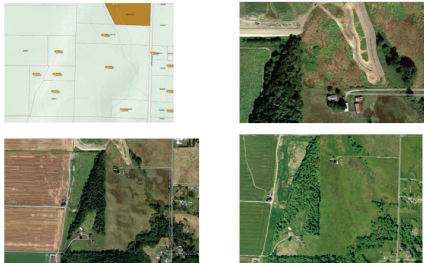


## Legends & Lessons

Natives would leave the shells of clams and oysters in piles (middens) and over 1,000s of years, they became quite large; often 1,000s of feet long, attaining heights of 20 feet. To the north, in British Columbia, maritime shell midden sites date to at least 10,000 years ago. In Oregon, similar sites are known to date to 6,000 BC.

[http://www.dahp.wa.gov/sites/default/files/Field%20Guide%20to%20WA%20Arch\\_0.pdf](http://www.dahp.wa.gov/sites/default/files/Field%20Guide%20to%20WA%20Arch_0.pdf)

For this farm and many others like it (see the flat pasture land to the East of where you stand) farmers logged and drained the lands, ditched the creeks, and used those ditches as fences. Pure calcium carbonate from shell casings provided lime to sweeten the ground to grow peas, beans, corn, lettuce, etc. This area's midden, totally eliminated now, was found west of the Franklin Road. To your West, view a small replica of that midden. How many American Indiginous lived here before smallpox, no one truly knows.



# Ethnobotanical Gardens

Native plant “starts” from Bonnhoefter Gardens (to your SW, by the I-5) illustrate 99 foods and materials available to the American peoples who lived here 10,000 years without the need to develop agriculture. Planter boxes contain:

Douglas Fir (67)	Douglas' Hawthorn (68)	Black Strawberry (12)	Bitter Cherry (66)	River Rink (41)	Grasshopper (30)	Blackcap Raspberry (30)	Blue Elderberry (36)	Bracken Fern (56)	Bird's Eye P (52)	Broad-leaved Shepherd Star (28)	Buffy Blueberry (30)	Cascara (71)	Catalpa (95)	Ochrolepsy (76)	Clarkia (40)	Coastal Black Raspberry (74)	Common Juniper (3)	Corn Parsley (36)
Douglas Fir (67)	Douglas' Hawthorn (68)	Englemann Strawberry (30)	Englemann Hackberry (36)	Fake Lady of the Valley (47)	Fake Lady of the Valley (47)	Faithful Purple Lady of the Valley (48)	Gambel's Yampah (56)	Geese Weeds (76)	Golden Currant (47)	Great Cane (39)	Buffy Hamastrum (12)	Harsh Indian Pinks (21)	Highbush Cranberry (39)	Indian Gillyflower (40)	Indian Gilly (45)	Indian Plum (31)	Indian Thistle (22)	Kinnikinnick (13)
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