

# Fort Vancouver National Historic Site



# Vancouver Arsenal Symbol of Conflict

Vancouver Arsenal was one of only about a dozen national storage areas that armed many of the soldiers who enforced western expansion during and after the Civil War. This often caused conflict because it displaced the American Indians who lived there. In 1864, pro-secession forces plotted—unsuccessfully—to blow up the Arsenal's magazine and steal arms.

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