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## ORIGIN OF TWO NAMES ON MOUNT RAINIER

MAJOR E. S. INGRAHAM, one of the few choice honorary members of The Mountaineers, is the author of many of the beautiful and significant names around Mount Rainier. He sought and secured definite information about the origin of two of the other names. That the record may be more permanently preserved, he permits the publication here of the document he obtained, which is as follows:

TACOMA, WASHINGTON, SEPT. 22, 1921.

MAJOR E. S. INGRAHAM,  
SEATTLE, WASH.  
DEAR MR. INGRAHAM:

In talking with you today about the nomenclature of certain points in Mount Rainier National Park. I mentioned "Frying Pan River and Glacier" and also, "Alta Vista." The origin of these names is as follows:

*Frying Pan.* In the summer of 1894 in company with Mr. Arthur French, a photographer of Tacoma, and Mr. Guy F. Evans, also of Tacoma, I encircled the Mountain, and when we came to the stream now known as "Frying Pan," we threw our packs across. It happened that my pack was the one containing the frying pan, and as I was throwing the pack across the stream the pan fell out and was carried down the swift current.

*Alta Vista.* In 1895 I was camping on what is now known as "Alta Vista" ridge, and happened to think of a small town in Missouri, where I had, at a certain time, been located, as an appropriate name for our camp. The name was accordingly posted and being seen by succeeding campers who probably also liked the name, it became a fixture.

Very truly yours,  
W. M. BOSWORTH.

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