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For centuries, thousands of Native people gathered at Kettle Falls on the Columbia River to harvest as much as a million pounds of Northwest salmon each summer. A major fur-trading fort near the falls, built by the British Hudson's Bay Company in 1826, served for more than 40 years as the largest European outpost between the Rocky Mountains and the Cascade Range. Today historic Kettle Falls lie submerged beneath Roosevelt Lake, the huge reservoir created in 1939 by construction of Grand Coulee Dam.

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