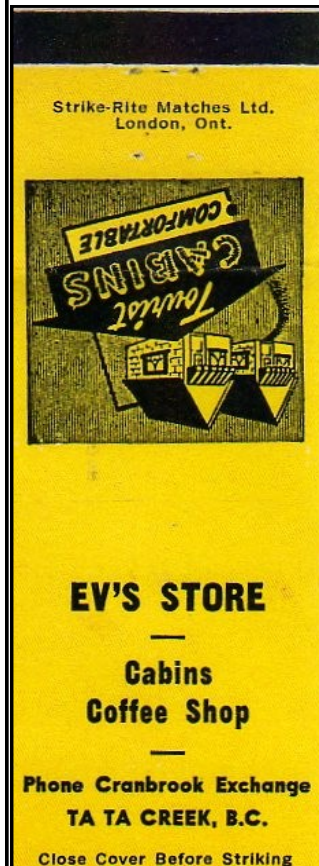


Why Did They Name It That?

by Jimmie Close

Ta Ta Creek, British Columbia:

Red McLeod was a horse thief. He was arrested by Canadian officials and was being escorted on horseback to Fort Steele, where he was to be incarcerated. When his escort dismounted to cross a stream, Red spurred his horse and raced into the woods, yelling “ta ta, ta ta”. When writing his report of the escape, the escort referred to the otherwise unnamed stream as “Ta Ta Creek”. In 1949, a post office was established at a settlement along the stream and was named Ta Ta Creek.



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