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BOB STRAY INTERVIEW

August 20, 1993

(Bob Stray: born 1943) - 217 S. Water St. E., Fort Atkinson
563-6141.

Bob says that he lived on Blackhawk Island as a young boy.
He lived in a house three doors up river from Lorine. *(in cabin 1949 -)*

He remembers the three log-sided cabins which must have been
built ~~from~~ about 1950 to 1956 - *earlier - more like '49.*

As a boy of 10 to 14 yrs. of age, after school hours, he
would often find L. walking along the road toward the end
of the island (West) and, for lack of something to do, he
would walk along with her.

Bob remembers L. as a tall, thin, frail woman wearing thick
glasses who walked (in a dress) every day along the road.

L. would talk with the boy and tell him of the animals and
of the plants and even recited poetry to him. She was well-
read and knew a lot about the river and birds and etc. which
lived there. She is remembered as being quiet and not
well understood by the adults. She loved the out-of-doors.

Bob also remembers that L. rode a bicycle - with large,
balloon tires!

Mez Fug

EDWIN PURUCKER

9/29/93 Via Telephone: add. = 129 E. Madison Ave., Milton, WI
608-868-3436

Mr. Purucker had visited the DFPL to see the Niedecker Memorial
cabinet as he had been Lorine's mail carrier for 10 yrs; from
1949 to 1959 - the first years of living in her own cabin.
Mr. P. says that in all the years he delivered L's mail he never
saw her or had a chance to speak with her. "She was the least
known to me of all the people on that route!" He also said that
he does not recall picking up out-going mail from her box. He
regrets not having known her.

(N.B.) (Edwin is a brother to George Purucker who drove a Fort
Atkinson School bus and is kindly remembered by his passengers.)

Mez Fug

JIM JENSEN

3/28/94

Jim was born in 1940 in Racine, WI. (3/28/40)
He moved to Blackhawk Island with his parents in 1952. (12 yrs. old)
Their home was near the end of the island and close to the road.
He remembers Lorine as a woman who wore long skirts, wore heavy glasses
and walked a lot. After graduating from Fort High he left to enter
the service. He remembers the carp pens which were located up
river a bit from the Spanish War Veteran's Bldg.

*Tim Dunlap - funeral home; 4-21-94 Bro. John "Jack" Jensen
Mary McEllister M. Joseph Mackovic, she died 2-10-94
Bro. Arvid "Mac" lives at 406 Edwards St F.A.
Mez Fug*

4/24/93

Don wescott interview

By Marilla E.Fuge

Lorman Park Area:

South Water St. West:

Two White Lumber Sheds. Owned in early years by Royce and Holstein Lbr. Co. Don't know who built them.

James Mfg. Co. bought them later on.

The little house behind the Cooperage was lived in by the Carmichaels.

The Yellow brick Cooperage was torn down for the Park (1976)
It was given to the city by Louis Lorman. He used it for storage.

The James Bldgs and property were sold to the city after Mr. James died. (1947)

The James Mfg. Co. Bldg. on Milw. Ave. W. was torn down in the early 50s.

Where Wellington CBRF stands - The Lbr. Co. had coal bins for loading and unloading - right next to the C.N.W.R.R. tracks.