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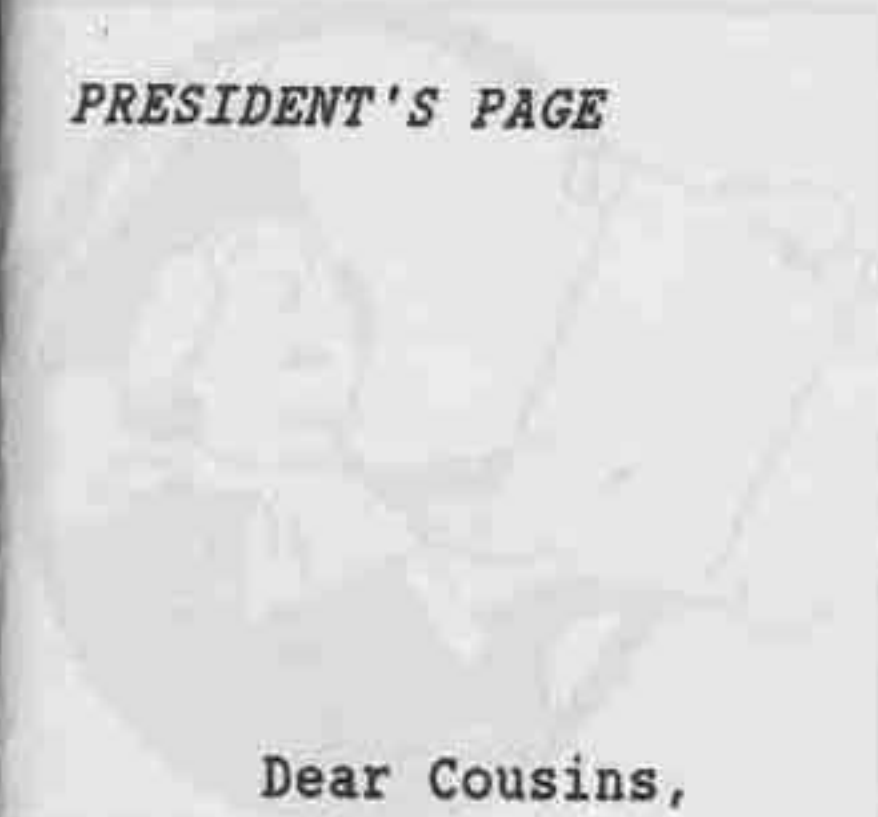
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## PRESIDENT'S PAGE



Dear Cousins,

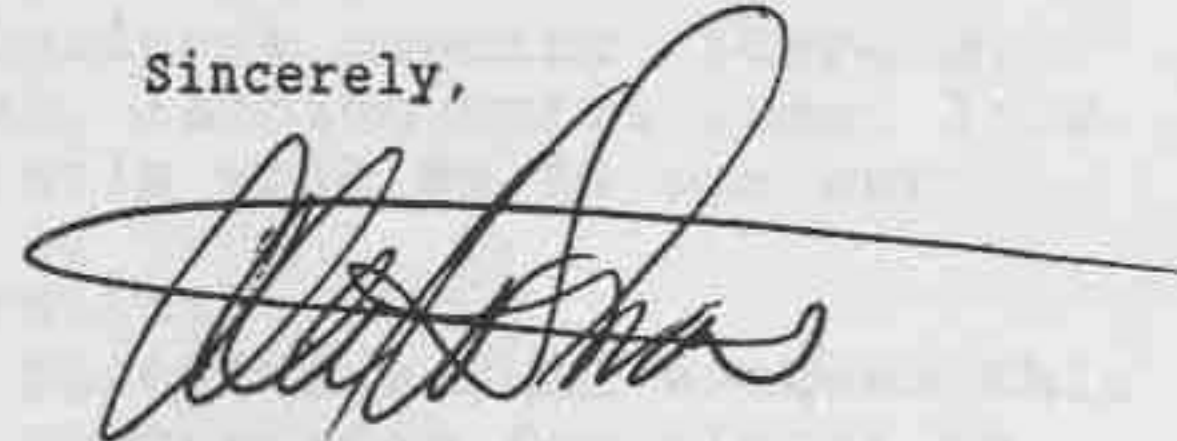
The past two years have been busy ones, with a lot of growth for the Rice Association. We have gained thirty-six new members!

To our sorrow, this gain has been offset somewhat by the loss of fourteen well-loved and well-remembered Cousins. You genealogists know, however, that each generation gradually gives way to new ones, and the sorrow of loss also gradually gives way to happy memories and the pride of having known these people. Our lives have been greatly enriched by our contacts with them. The heritage which they have left us is magnificent, and it behooves us all to cherish it and keep it great.

Your officers and directors work hard to keep the Rice Association on a firm path to the future, so that our children and their children will recognize their heritage and cherish it also.

Looking forward to seeing you in September,

Sincerely,





## HEAR YE!

The EDMUND RICE (1638)  
ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL REUNION is COMING!

When? September 16, 1989

What Time? Registration starts at 9:30 A.M.

Luncheon will be at noon or 12:30.

Where? At Cousin Margaret Rice's, on  
Lion's Mouth Road in Amesbury, Mass.

What happens in the morning?  
A social hour, with coffee and finger-  
food, and plenty of old and new friends  
to chat with.

At 11:00 A.M. there will be a meeting of the  
Board of Directors.

And after lunch?  
The business meeting will begin at 1:30.

After the business meeting, there will  
be a program, lasting until about 3:30.  
Further details will be in our next  
issue.

Can we stay overnight?  
We are not planning a full weekend this  
year. Some suggestions for places to  
stay will be in our next issue.

## LETTERS and STORIES

First of all, a big "Thank you" to

everyone who has sent in genealogical information. So much information has come to p.o.box 151, in fact, that your scribe is beginning to feel like the Sorcerer's Apprentice! Unlike the Apprentice, however, we don't want to stop the flood - we merely ask for patience, until we get the material organized. Eventually we will try to communicate with everyone individually, with requests for specific additional information where appropriate.

One note of caution: As in any flood, things do get moved around and occasionally misplaced. At this writing, there are at least two sets of information which escaped from their cover letters, and I don't know who they came from. Those of you still planning to send in information - please put your name on each sheet, so that if it gets misplaced it can be brought home again.

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Now, a note from Western Canada. Mike King, one of our modern Canadian pioneers, sent us this picture to bring us almost up to date on the Hockey Scene in western Canada. Who won the grand championship, Mike?



1 The Fort St. John Kinsmen, AAA champions of North-Central British Columbia and N.W. Alberta. Peter King is second from the right in the back row.

## STORIES

## AN IOWA PIONEER

"E(liphalet) Daniels was born in Berkshire County, Mass., on August 11, 1832. When he was about one year old, his father, E.Daniels, moved to Franklin County, Mass. Here Mr. E.Daniels, the subject of this sketch, made his home till about twenty-four years of age. In the winter of 1857 he came to Iowa, and purchased a farm, where he still resides in Washington township. Purchasing at first one hundred and eight acres, he built his [present] house in 1871. It is one of the best houses in the township.

"When Mr. Daniels moved into the place there was not so much as a tree on it. A cheap shanty and fifty acres broken, comprised the improvements. Now he owns one of the finest improved farms in the county. Has shade and fruit trees planted, and every convenience of a tasteful home supplied. Besides having his conveniences for carrying on his farm and stables, and sheds, etc., for his stock, he also has his house, well and tastefully furnished, rooms adorned with pictures, flowers and books and papers in plenty at hand.

"Mr. Daniels was married, August 20, 1856, to Miss Emma Dickenson, daughter of General G. Dickenson, born in Franklin County, Mass., September 10, 1833. They have three children; Carrie W., born December 11, 1858, [now] attending school in Ripon, Wisc.; Hattie A., born March 15, 1863, single and attending school from home; Louise E., born January 12, 1870 and a wide awake little lady

she is. This is a home where a taste for reading throws the charm of intelligence around everything, that nothing else can give.

"Mr. Daniels' experience as a frontiersman is none of the pleasantest. He came when the flood of inflation was at the highest water mark. Every purchase he made was at the highest price. The panic followed immediately, and when it came his turn to sell there was scarcely a market at any price. Many were financially engulfed, causing many failures and much discouragement. Only those who were endowed with stout hearts and manly courage could stand such defeat. Mr. Daniels stood the storm, and is finally anchored upon one of the best farms in the county."

Maxine Crawford sent us the above story which was taken from *The History of Buchanan County, Iowa*, published in 1881 by Williams Brothers. The account is reproduced in its entirety. Eliphalet Daniels was Cousin Maxine's Great Grandfather, a descendant of Edmund's son, Joseph. Thank you, Cousin Maxine, for this fascinating glimpse of a remarkable man in the Iowa that used to be. One rarely hears, today, of the "panic of 1873" which, though shorter, was apparently every bit as hard and as wide-spread as the "Great Depression" sixty years later.

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The next story, adapted from the *Memphis, (Missouri) Democrat*, October 14, 1909, is an unidentified contribution. It is a true tale of the sad fate of one Nellie Clifton, wife of Alfred C. Clifton of Tobin township, Mo., in 1909. Will the relative or descendant of Nellie please write and let me know who you are, and how Nellie fits into the Rice family?



## TRAGEDY AT SCHOOL-HOUSE CROSSING

On Friday, October 8, 1909, one of the most frightful tragedies in the history of Memphis happened at the railroad crossing known as School House Crossing. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Clifton, who lived on a small farm ten miles south of Memphis, came to town that morning in a spring-wagon drawn by a span of ponies - a dun and a bay - to do some "trading." After they completed their shopping they started home.

Meanwhile, to the east of town, Train No. 1 was traveling westward on tracks which followed a stream around some low hills and along a valley south of the town. At the whistle sign, the engineer, W.J. Nickoli, blew the conventional crossing whistle. The train came around a bend, and as it approached the crossing Mr. Nickoli saw the team of ponies coming down the hill, the wagon at their heels. He continued to blow the whistle, and tried to stop the train, but this was impossible. No could Mr. Clifton stop the down-hill rush of his ponies. "Quick as a flash he got the heads of the ponies turned to the west and attempted to turn them around. He was too late, however, and the engine struck the which [sic] and team, throwing them on the north side of the track." The wagon was broken into "kindling wood" and strewn along the track, "one pony was thrown over the fence near the cattle guard and killed", and the other was severely injured. It was the opinion of the engineers that Mr. and Mrs. Clifton both fell against the large drive wheel, which hurled them to the ground.

Mr. Clifton suffered a fractured skull and died less than an hour later, after being carried to the railroad

station. Mrs. Clifton died instantly of a broken neck. One of the train's passengers found a baby girl, six or seven months old, lying on the ground where her mother had fallen. Shielded by her mother's body, the child was virtually uninjured. She was taken to the home of one Judge McKee where neighbor women cared for her "until she could be taken home."

The report continues with great detail about the coroner's inquest and the jury's verdict, which included holding the C.B. & Q. Railroad negligent in "not warning its employes as to the danger of running its trains at such a rate of speed [20 - 25 m.p.h.] past such obstructed curves and cuts, and especially within the corporate limits of a city."

The reporter wrote two particularly quotable paragraphs;

"Engineer Nickoli was greatly affected at the scene....but so far as can be learned, [he] did all in his power to prevent the accident. It is a bad place for a road crossing and has always been considered dangerous. About a year ago a number of citizens of the town and of the country south of town made up money for the purpose of closing the crossing and changing the road so that it will run east to intersect" another road at a bridge.

"The man killed in Friday's accident was an honest, hard working man, about thirty-five years old. He lived on a little farm in Tobin township with his wife and five children. The oldest of the children is about nine years old. [Twelve, according to a witness at the inquest] These are left orphans by an accident that snuffed out the lives of their parents in an instant. Everybody is made sad by the tragedy."

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## BOOK LIST

THE RICE FAMILY: by Andrew Henshaw Ward (1858)  
379 pages. \$20.00 plus \$2.50 handling.  
INDEX (computer printout, 34 pp.) \$4.00 postpaid

SUPPLEMENT to THE RICE FAMILY: (1967) (soft cover)  
110 pages. \$3.50 plus \$1.00 handling.  
INDEX (computer printout, 18 pp.) \$2.50 postpaid  
BOTH INDEXES TOGETHER: \$5.00 postpaid

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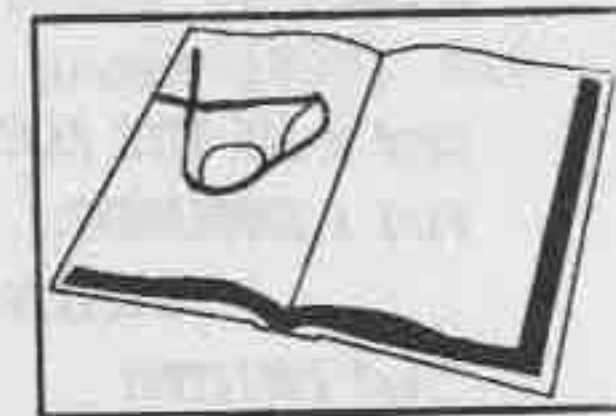
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## BOOK LIST, cont.

Several of you have written to us about *By the Name of Rice*, by Charles E. Rice, published in 1911. Copies of this book were available from the Association, but unfortunately are now sold out. Also unfortunately, the Association does not plan any more extensive publishing ventures until more of the present stock of books is sold.

*By the Name of Rice* is a short (84 pages), witty, very readable book. However, *Edmund Rice and His Family* and its sequel, *More About Those Rices*, give more information about later generations as well as Rice descendants who became famous (for example, what well-known President of the United States was a direct descendant of Edmund Rice?). If you don't know, spring for \$24.00 (for both books) and find out.

*We Sought The Wilderness*, published in the same volume with *By the Name of Rice*, tells about members of one branch of the family who joined in the westward migration. Published in 1949 and probably written before and during World War II, it gives interesting insights into not only the experiences of 18th and 19th century pioneers, but also the styles and attitudes of the first half of the 20th century.

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## QUERIES

In this issue we have one query. If somehow we've missed someone, please write again. Queries are published in the next Newsletter after being received (usually), and the full address of the questioner is given. We hope that at least one of our cousins may have an answer - if you do, please correspond with the questioner directly.

Cousin James Walker,

(227 Woodland Farms Rd.  
Pittsburgh, PA 15238)

would like to know if any of our members are related to a family named Wood; specifically, Nathaniel and Elizabeth Wood, whose daughter, also Elizabeth, is said to have been born on an island in the Vermont portion of the St. Lawrence River in 1824. Cousin Jim believes that the family lived in the St. Albans Bay area at the time, but they moved to Malone, N.Y. before the 1830 census.

Cousin Jim also asks if there is anyone related to the Toothakers? A Lucretia Toothaker is supposed to have married Elijah Walker in Hyde Park, Vt., about 1810, but he has not been able to verify this.

## OBITUARIES

Lucille Rice Danstedt, of Bridgewater, Mass., died after a long illness in January, 1989, at age 73. She attended Worcester Art Museum School and was a commercial artist, the fashion illustrator for several large department stores in Worcester, Brockton, Quincy and Taunton, Mass. She was married to Robert S. Danstedt on June 18, 1945, and they have lived in Bridgewater, Mass. since 1948. Continuing her fashion illustrating, she also became an accomplished painter, receiving many awards for her work throughout the South Shore area of Massachusetts.

Cousin Lucille was a loyal member of the Rice Association for many years. She is survived by her husband, Robert S. Danstedt, and their daughter, Karen L. Roop, and son-in-law, William Roop of Concord, Mass. Our deepest sympathy to Robert and Karen on their loss.

Lt. Col. James Evans, (U.S.Army, ret.) husband of Cousin Luella Evans, passed away on March 23, 1989, following surgery. In addition to Luella, he is survived by two sons, Craig F. Evans, of Boston, Mass., and Lt. Col. James A. Evans, of Denver, CO (Colorado Air National Guard). We have had frequent communications with Cousin Luella; and agree with her that although it was a shock, God does know best. Our warmest love to you.

Doris Rice Fox, of Clifton, N.J. passed away on January 15, 1989, at the age of 89. Although aging and not really well, Cousin Doris was active almost to the last. She and her husband, Theodore F. Fox, came to the Annual Reunion in Westfield, Mass., last summer, and took an active part in the proceedings. We have had pleasant correspondence with Doris, and remember her well. Our warmest sympathies are with you, Cousin Ted.

## OBITUARIES, CONT.

Philip M. Rice, age 83, of Waterman, Ill., died on April 8, 1989. He was born July 12, 1905 at Princeville, Ill., the son of Calvin E. and Laura (Brockhouse) Rice. On December 16, 1924, he married Cynthia Greeley in Jacksonville, Ill.

Cousin Philip taught in country schools in Morgan and Cass Counties, farmed for ten years in Morgan County and forty years in Waterman. He was a member of the Waterman United Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge A.F. & A.M. #728, the Waterman Grange, and the Edmund Rice (1638) Association.

Survivors include his wife, Cynthia, a daughter, Arla Staublin, who is also a member of our Association, three sons, Carleton, Craig, and Curt Rice, two sisters and nine grandchildren. We send loving greetings and sympathy to the entire family for this very recent loss.

Lewis Earl Snow, of West Dover, Vt. passed away suddenly on May 16, 1989. Brother of one of our members, Louise Snow Mitchell, and sixth cousin of your scribe and of our secretary, Pat Vickery, Lewis was born in West Dover, on the 29th of Feb., 1920, and spent most of his life farming on the family homestead.

Besides his sister Louise, Lewis is survived by a brother, Ralph W. Snow, two sons, John and Timothy, two daughters, Karla Deane and Eileen Orcutt, three grandchildren (that we know of) and numerous nieces and nephews. He will be missed here in Dover, and we extend our sympathy to the entire family.

## NEW BABIES / NEW MEMBERS



There is a logic to placing this piece after the obituaries, for these new people represent the future. They will take the torch from our hands and carry it into the 21st century.

It is particularly fitting at this time to announce the births of:

Samantha Snow, born on September 1, 1988, the daughter of Timothy and Rebecca (Brassor) Snow. She is also the granddaughter of the late Lewis Snow, and the eighth cousin of:

Amanda Karen Larsen, born on March 30, 1989, the daughter of Bob and Karen (Snow) Larsen, and first grandchild of Alex and Mickey Snow.

We also welcome the following new members, all of whom are descended from Edmund's son, Thomas<sup>4</sup>:

Richard R. Gariepy of Barre, Mass.,  
descended from Jonas<sup>36</sup>.

Francis W. Thraen of Phoenix, Ariz.,  
descended from James<sup>36</sup>

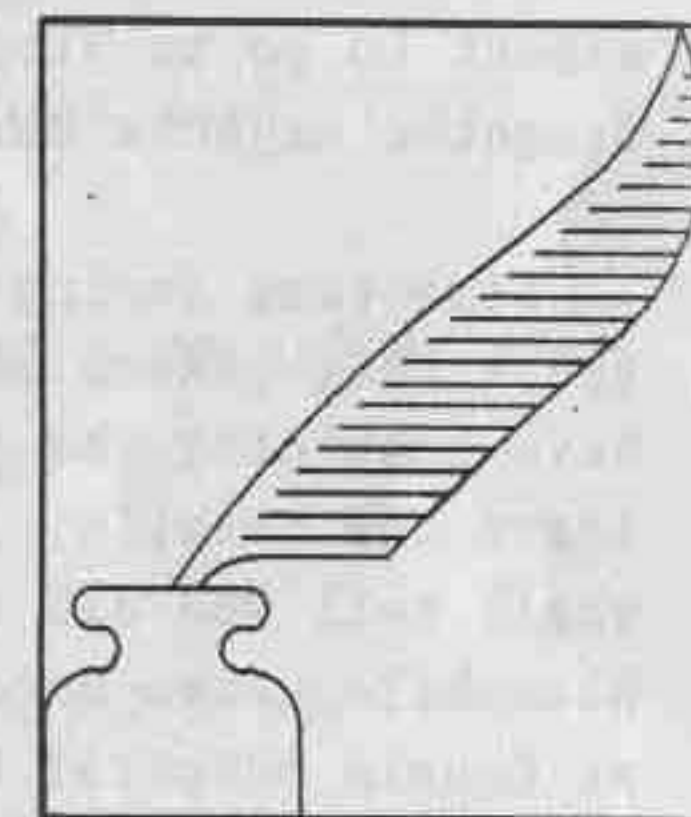
*Jonas and James established the town of Worcester, Mass., and returned to rebuild it after its destruction by Indians.*

## NEW MEMBERS, CONT.

Also two descendants of Thomas' son, Thomas<sup>28</sup>:

Joan (Rice) Labrie of Manchester, N.H., daughter of long-time member Cousin Leon Harold Rice, and

Karen (Snow) Larsen of Sandy, Utah, daughter of your president and your scribe, Alex and Mickey Snow.



## EDITORIAL

A note from your peripatetic editor:

It has been a full and interesting spring, and promises to be a full summer. For starters, we proudly announce the birth of our first grand-child, Amanda Karen Snow (see oppositepage).

On March 31, Alex and your scribe packed the car and headed west, arriving in the Salt Lake Valley on April 6, in time to give the new family some needed help and moral support. We left them on April 10, happy and self-



sufficient, and toured the northwest, visiting other close family members in Seattle.

*One of these days we shall make time to call on Rice relatives during our travels - don't be surprised if the phone rings some day and one of us says "do you have a half-hour free this afternoon?"*

On the Fourth of July weekend we shall be back out west, this time in Wyoming, at the wedding of our third daughter near Jackson Hole. And last but not least, we expect to go to Virginia in mid-August, when our middle daughter expects her first baby.

Some time during all of these comings and goings, we trust that others among your Officers and Directors will have completed the plans for the Annual Reunion. When we learn the details, (between the "comings and goings") we shall tell you all about it in the Summer issue.

Meanwhile, save Saturday, September 16, for a gala event at Cousin Margaret Rice's, on Lion's Mouth Road in Amesbury, Mass.

Hope to see many of you then!

Your Scribe,

*Mickey Snow*

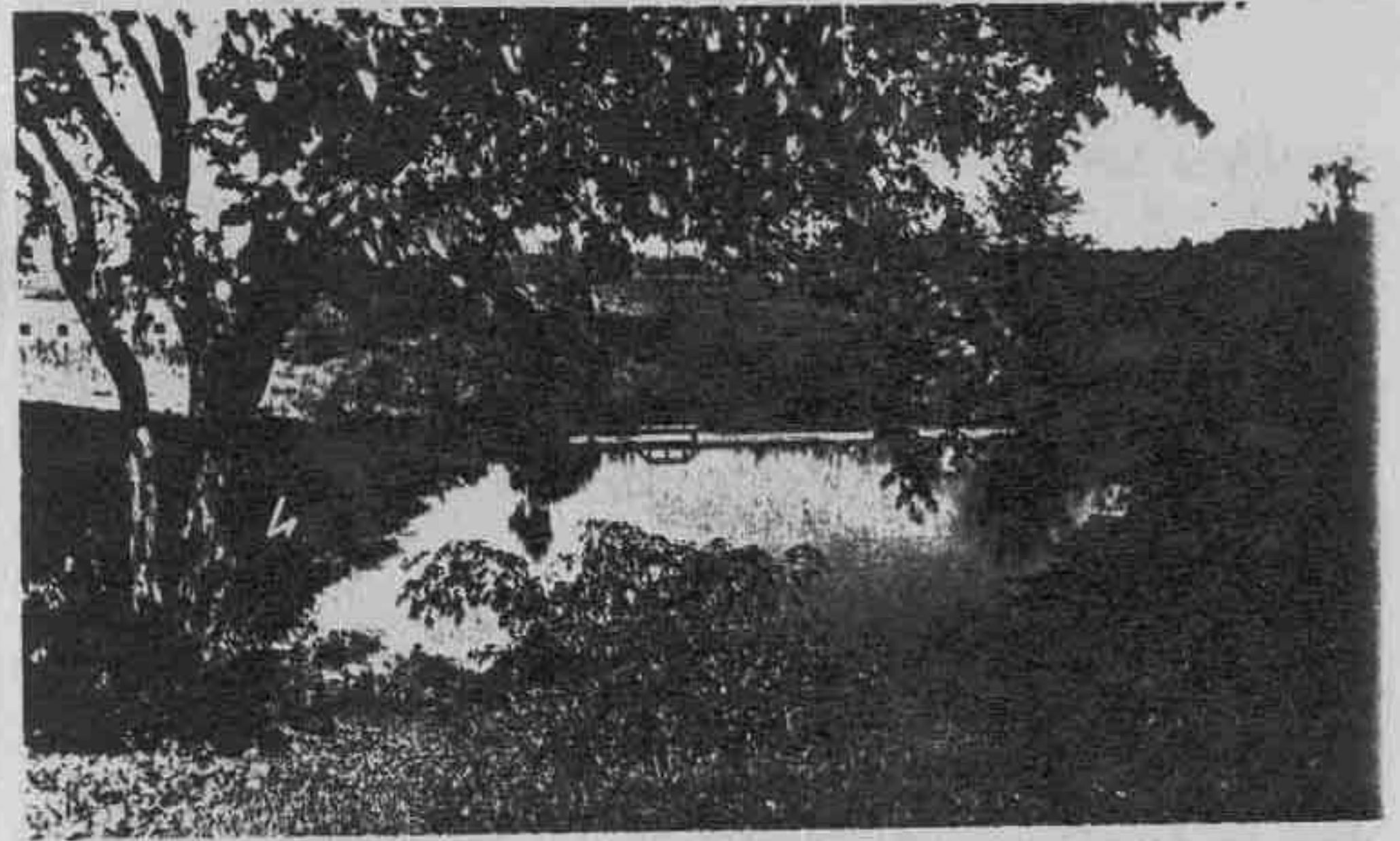
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1966-1967:	Ray Lowther Ellis (1901-1982)
1967-1968:	Erwin R. McLaughlin (1893-1968)
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1983-1985:	Janice Parmenter
1985-1987:	Margaret S. Rice

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