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Dear Mr. Amft,

I'm very sorry to disappoint you, but I never saw the Ellsworth Rock Gardens. I got married in July of 1939 and left the lake, and did not move back until June of 1972.

By that time I think Mr. Ellsworth was either dead, or in the hospital, & the place had been devastated by both local people and tourists.

She had a very unhappy experience with Mrs. Ellsworth. She came to Kabetogama Lake to get whatever was left of their belongings after numerous break-ins at the place.

Because my husband was president of the Kabetogama Community Club at that time, she came to us for help to get her pack & fath across the lake, and to haul the things back for her.

My husband and my brother spent two days working continuously with their motor boats. She was going to send money back from Chicago to pay for the gas and oil for the motor boats. Neither man wanted anything for their time.

She had sold my brother a set of twin beds & then her sister took the bed frames with no refund of any kind to my brother. The mattresses smelled so strongly from mice that they had to be burned.

Mrs. Ellsworth had given my brother & my husband several little odds and ends of things, and her sister took every one of them. She had her station wagon loaded down, I don't see how she made it to Ch. exp without breaking the springs,

Mrs. Ellsworth stored a table at our place that she wanted us to sell for her for one hundred dollars. She had people bothering us all the time to look at it but they all laughed at the price. I called Mrs. Ellsworth long distance to Chicago and she said to sell it for whatever we could get and use the money for part payment on what she owed for gas and oil.

I don't recall just who bought the table nor for how much, but I do know it did not pay where near pay for bill.

Then we got a letter from her stating that she was suing us for stealing her property, and we would hear from her lawyer.

I wrote back that she was a very mixed up woman, and I would very much like to hear from her lawyer so we could get accounts straightened out.

Needless to say, there was no further communication.

I know absolutely nothing about her husband, altho I heard from many people how beautiful the rock gardens had been and what a shame there was no caretaker there to prevent all the vandalism.

I'm so very sorry that I never got to see it.

Yours truly
Pearl H Davis