

JULY 22, 1975

MEMO

TO: DR. A. D. MARTINSON
FROM: RICHARD D. OSNESS
SUBJECT: PARKLAND HISTORY PROJECT; INTERVIEW
WITH MRS. K. U. (SYLVIA LARSON)
DAUGHTERS, 514 3RD ST. (P.O.
BOX 245), STELLACOOM, 588-4574;

ON JUNE 26, 1975 I INTERVIEWED MRS. SYLVIA (LARSON) DAUGHTERS. DAUGHTER OF LUDVIG LARSON, WHO WAS BUSINESS MANAGER OF PLC. SHE IS GRAD OF OLE ACADEMY. SHE IS A SISTER OF PAUL LARSON OF PARKLAND WHO WAS PRINCIPLE OF THE PARKLAND GRADE SCHOOL UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT ABOUT 3 YEARS AGO. MRS. DAUGHTERS RETIRED FROM WESTERN STATE IN 1970. LUDVIG LARSON CAME TO AREA (WAS BUSINESS MAN) WAS ASSOCIATED WITH REV. T. CARSON IN 1908 FROM MINNESOTA. CALLED TO BE ^{MINN.} (NO RELATION) MANAGER OF PARKLAND LUTHERAN CHILDRENS HOME. PETER TOBIAS LARSON - BEARD, VERY DIGNIFIED, VERY RELIGIOUS, VERY CHRISTIAN - UERTISLE, NEVER MISSED CHURCH, ATTENDS YOUNG PEOPLES' MEETINGS, BEFORE 1917 - PAROCHIAL SCHOOL. MISS STROM, SECOND GRADE - ATTENDANTS FROM CHILDRENS HOME, NORWEGIAN CHILDREN - SPOKE NORWEGIAN, BUSINESS MANAGER AT PLC - INTERMITTENTLY FOR 30 YEARS - BEGINNING IN 1917-1918, WENT BACK IN 1920, ~~LEFT IN 1945~~, EASTUOUST BROUGHT HIS OWN BUSINESS MANAGER. FINANCIAL

STRUGGLE WHEN REOPENED IN 1920, 1924-
1926 LUDWIG NOT THERE, CAME BACK IN
1926, THERE UNTIL INGLEDSTAD LEFT, PAUL
- PRINCIPLE OF GRADE SCHOOL, 30 YEARS -
TEACHER, THEN PRINCIPLE, 1940, LUDWIG ALSO
TAUGHT COMMERCIAL SUBJECTS FOR A
TIME & HAD THE BOOK STORE, 1917 - MAIN
STREET, FEW HOUSES, STONE CHURCH, OLD
MAIN, TENNIS COURTS, CROQUET COURTS,
CAMPUS FULL OF WILD FLOWERS - TREES
& HEAVENLY PLACE FOR KIDS, SOMEWHAT
CLIQUEY - PEOPLE IN 3 BLOCK AREA HAD
VERY MUCH TO DO WITH EACH OTHER,
STORE (JOHNSON-ANDERSON) RIGHT SIDE
OF PACIFIC AVE. - WHERE HAVEN'S
TAVERN IS NOW, P.T. DIED 1938 - 88
YEARS OLD - WIFE WAS CLARA TORGERSON,
FROM NORTH DAKOTA, 1939 - NORTHWEST OF
CAMPUS, MOSTLY PRAIRIE, BUILT UP SOME,
BETWEEN 1942-1949 MUSHROOM GROWTH,
MRS. DAUGHTERS GRAD FROM H.S. IN
1928, RECREATION - TENNIS, BASKETBALL,
BASEBALL WAS ALWAYS BIG AT THE
SCHOOL, TENNIS TEAM FOR GIRLS, BASEBALL
TEAM, FOOTBALL TEAM, CROQUET COURTS
ON LAND WHERE LIBRARY IS NOW, 1917-1920,
NO MILITARY CONTACT TO '39, WHERE
MECHORD IS NOW WAS PRAIRIE,

VERY TRULY YOURS

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