

Mose Stone

I played many games of baseball with and against Mose Stone who was a very good pitcher, in fact, one of the best in this locality. [As far as I know, no ball player had ever been struck by Mose because he had such perfect control.] His body was found in Hart Lake Aug. 6, 1943. He had been missing 2 or 3 days and due to exceptional hot weather, his body was not in condition to examine for foul play. However, I did talk with Mrs. Julie Lewis with whom he was staying and she tried to have the officers work on the case to no avail. She told me that she suspected Mexicans of being guilty of his death, as he had no enemies, did not drink and was home each night after working in the cherry orchards and there was no ^{reason} for drowning himself so in her mind it was foul play. She tried several times to get an investigation going but could not. I'm not positive but I believe she was his aunt.

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signed

Note: Mose Stone was an
Ojibwa Indian.