

LA CROSSE COUNTY HISTORIC SITES COMMISSION
c/o LA CROSSE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
112 South 9th Street
La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601

Courthouse File

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LA CROSSE COUNTY SITES SURVEY NOMINATION FORM

NO. _____

1. NAME of the site (also original name, if known) or property nominated:
Roman stone bridge located on Schmaltz Road Town of Greenfield La Crosse County
2. LOCATION:

T _____ N, R _____ W
Sec. _____
_____ 1/4, _____ 1/4, _____ 1/4

3. CLASSIFICATION of site or property to be nominated:

CATEGORY:	OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY:	STATUS OF PROPERTY:	PRESENT USE:
<input type="checkbox"/> legend	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agricultural
<input type="checkbox"/> geology	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> historic event	<input type="checkbox"/> both		<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> archeology			<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> historic district			<input type="checkbox"/> government
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)			<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
<input type="checkbox"/> site			<input type="checkbox"/> military
<input type="checkbox"/> object(s)			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> theme:			<input type="checkbox"/> park
(describe) _____			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

3. OWNER of property to be nominated:

Name: TOWN OF GREENFIELD

Street and number: LACROSSE COUNTY

City:

State:

Zip:

4. PHOTO

&/or

SKETCH:

5. SIGNIFICANCE of the site, property or event to be nominated:
Include date of construction, bullder/architect, all specifc dates.

Statement of Significance: State why the site, property, or event is significant: what significant events occurred there, who was associated with the property, what features the property has that make it significant, etc. Document all statements of alleged fact with full and complete footnotes. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Excellent example of a roman arch bridge that features a keystone construction. Is circa 1870 construction and shows what beautiful work was done for that period void of qny construction equipment other than man,horses and sweat.

Believed to possible been constructed be Franz Hienrich a mason in the area who moved to city of La Crosse in 1875

6. DESCRIBE the present and original (if known) appearance or condltion of the property or site to be nominated:
Include your opinion of National Register eligibility.

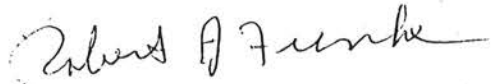
Bridge is in good condition in use daily and tuck pointing of the stone work is attended to by the party presenting the bridge for consideration for listing.

Bridge is abutting property owned by the nominee since 1945.

7. MAJOR bibliographical references &/or collections:

8. NOMINATION submitted by:

Name: Robert J. Funke



Organization: Member La Crosse County Historical Society

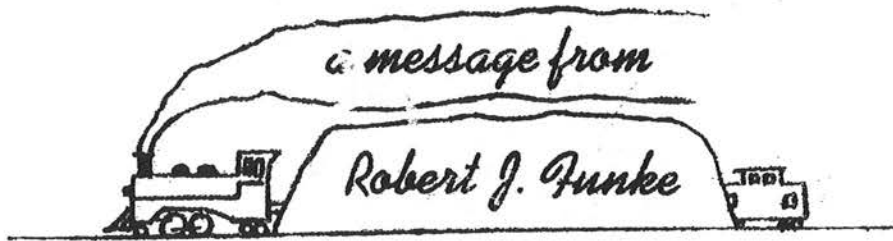
Street: 123 South 22nd Street

City: La Crosse Wisconsin

State:

Zip: 54601

Telephone: 782-8910



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I believe the bridge in the photographs located on Schmaltz road in the town of Greenfield was perhaps built about 1870.

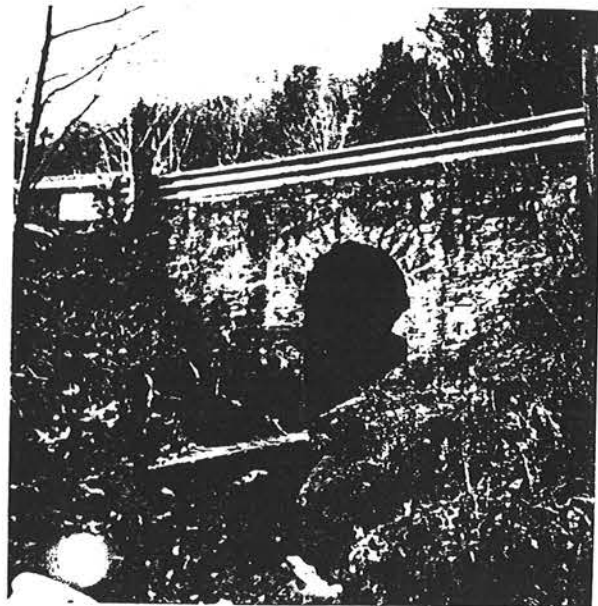
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Talked to Bill Dobieash a Greenfield native in 1955 who at that time was about 80 years of age. He informed me that he * played under the large Oak tree which stands where my cottage is on schmaltz road. He further mentioned about playing around the bridge and that the early settler who had a cabin across the road had made doors on each end of the bridge and had shelves under the bridge to store food in a cool place. In 1945 when I built my cottage on the site of the bridge one of the shelves was still under the bridge.

My great Grandmother's second husband was a stone mason in the town of Greenfield and they lived within a mile of the bridge. I am assuming he may have a hand in building of the bridge. He was Franz Heinrich and is buried in the old part of Catholic cemetery in La Crosse and died at the age of 55 october 7, 1879.

This bridge is in excellent condition and I would recommend it being considered for a listing by the La Crosse County Historic preservation committee.

* as small boy

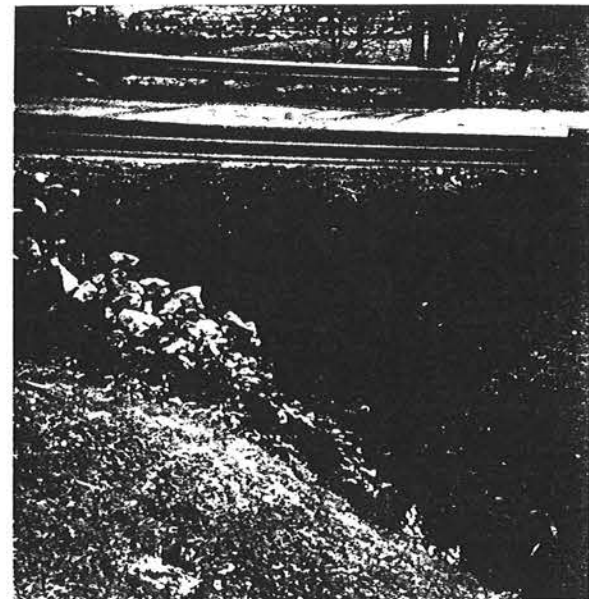
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