http://history.nd.gov/historicsites/jessie/index.html

A campsite on the lake was also used by **Isaac I. Stevens and his party on July 10-11, 1853**, during a survey of a proposed railroad route. This was also a stopping point on July 15-16, 1862, on July 20, 1863, and in 1866 by James L. Fisk and his wagon trains on their way to the Montana gold fields (see [**Fort Dilts**](http://history.nd.gov/historicsites/dilts/index.html)). Mail carriers who crossed through the area between 1867 and 1872 sought shelter on the east end of Lake Jessie.