



WEST CHESTNUT ST. LOOKING SOUTHWEST. HILL AT LEFT CENTER IS WHERE EDWIN CALDWELL BUILT HILL CREST IN 1908. BURLINGTON ICE HOUSE AT THE RIGHT.

The above photo bears a striking resemblance to both the ancient pre-historic sites of Aztalan and Cahokia. Although you cannot see it in this photo, just like Cahokia and Aztalan, the Hillcrest Mounds faces a large lake known as Echo Lake which is fed by Honey Creek and the White River. It lies facing Serpent Ridge.



Photo on Left Cahokia Mounds – East of St. Louis MO

Photo on the bottom is of Aztalan- Lake Mills WI



Although it would be impossible for me to do a full investigation with my limited finances, we can go off what earlier archaeologists have theorized what these ancient cities may have looked like. Following are some artist depictions of the ancient cities. Could Burlington



have been as populated as Cahokia - The local Indians stated that when they first arrived here in the Burlington area, there were white people already living here and they were as many as "the leaves on the trees". So Yes - Burlington was heavily occupied prior to the Native American Indians. The Indians referred to these people as 'The Ancient Ones' more commonly known as the "Allegwi or Tallegwi"