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March 3rd, 1914.

FROM
81 N. PEARL ST.
ALBANY, N.Y.

Mr. E. O. Luthy, Sec'y., Treas.,
P.O. Box 232,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Ans 3/10/14

My dear Mr. Luthy:--

I have your letter of February 28th and you have interpreted the meaning of my letter as intended. We are agreed on nearly every point. There is some question in my mind as to entirely dropping the matter until we assemble next summer. From what I have heard and seen, I am lead to believe that the Conservation Commission feels that they have no rights to compel a land owner to build a Dam, or to keep one in repair, or prevent the demolishing of same, and that a property owner has no right to build a Dam and flood other property, without the permission of the Conservation Commission and the permission of property holders affected. With this idea in mind, is there not a question as to whether the property holders should collectively protest to the Conservation Commission against Newton & Ferris building this Dam and flooding the property, without first getting the consent of all concerned?

If we should make this protest, it might possibly deprecate the value of their lot actually and in their estimation, but on the other hand, there is some question as to whether it would work detrimental to ourselves, should we decide that we wish the old level restored. If it should be deemed advisable to protest against the re-building of the Dam by Newton & Ferris without the consent of the property holders, would it not then be advisable for us to notify Mr. Pease, or some-one around the Lake to constantly watch the Dam, to see that there were no preparations made for the re-building? Then, it would be an easy matter for us to prevent the re-building of this Dam, if the natives and property holders about the Lake were agreed on the proposition.

Very truly yours,

W. S. LODGE

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