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FROM  
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Mr. Edmund O. Luthy, Sec., Treas.,  
Box 232,  
Cincinnati,  
Ohio.

*Ans April 14*

Dear Mr. Luthy:--

I have your letter of April 6th, and agree with you that it will be advisable to let the re-building of the dam sleep awhile, but on the other hand, I believe we should keep our weather eye open in order that others may not take advantage of us. I note the remarks about myself in the report from your friend. The fact of the case is that I purposely kept away from the Conservation Commission and did not correspond with Mr. Flint until recently. My relations with Commissioner Moore were that I wrote the Commission to send me a copy of the law, copy of which I sent to you. In answer to this letter Commissioner Moore called me on the telephone and seemed disturbed over the publicity Mr. Flint had given this matter.

Being a firm believer that publicity of matters of this sort is a good thing, I remarked to the Commissioner that I thought Mr. Flint was doing a good work, but did not wish to be thought of, as being instrumental in determining any of his actions. I do admit that my letter to Newton & Ferris and their answer, copies of which I sent you may have made some bad feelings there, which may have been contagious to Mr. Moore. My interview with Messrs Newton & Ferris lead me to believe that their sole object was to make a few dollars out of the summer residents at our Lake and that our only redress was to buy the property or discourage the proposition by making known the details. correct

I also imagine that writing the Commission for a copy of the Law at this time might have seemed to them out of place for one in my position. After receiving the first printed copy I sent to the Commission for ten others. This may have also made hard feelings as they refused to give me any more than the one copy, hence the reason for sending you the type-written list.

Thanking you again for sending me these papers, I remain

Very truly yours,

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