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Mr. Edmund O. Luthy,  
2419 Ohio Avenue,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Luthy,-

I have received your letter, and thank you very much for the "cheerful Colonel".

Why don't you write direct to Judge Wickes and tell him the situation, and then when I am up there, as I expect to be over Lincoln's Birthday, I will try to get in touch with him and go over the matter. I wish you would make it clear, however, that my only thought in the matter is to do what is best for everybody at the Lake. In other words, I am not a fisherman, nor is my boat-house hurt whether the water is up or down particularly, but simply I realize that a lot of the people built on the old level and it does seem too bad they should be handicapped by low water. Of course, high water would improve the fishing, and that might in one way bring some undesirable people there, but I don't believe that is a thing we need to bother about. I do think a slight raising of the dam, which it doesn't seem to me should cost very much, would help the whole situation and make it nicer for everybody concerned, excepting as you say, in case of a floating dock.

When I wrote to Mr. Porter, I simply thought the association might have a little money to do this job, as it didn't seem to me it would cost over a hundred dollars, to put in a dam there to hold the water sufficiently high for all purposes, but of course if the State go into it, it is going to make it hard for our position. I only want to help, and let me know and I will do what I can for everybody.

I am glad everything is well with you and Mrs. Luthy. We are all well, although we have colds like everybody else in this terrible weather.

Remember me most kindly to Jack, and tell him not to drive too fast.

Sincerely yours,

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*Eliot Spalding*  
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