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April 27, 1956

Mr. Bigelow Neal
New Town, North Dakota

Dear Mr. Neal:

Do you recall any newspaper articles which appeared in some of the North Dakota newspapers last summer in connection with the leasing of grazing lands on the strip surrounding Garrison Reservoir and difficulties between the white lessees and the Indian ones?

If you can dig up any of these for me I should very greatly appreciate it. Also, if you can give me any information concerning representations made *to* the Indians by the Army Engineers at the time they purchased their land indicating that they were to retain the grazing, hunting and fishing rights adjacent to their lands in the area surrounding the reservoir it would help out immensely.

My bill, H. R. 9324, has run into some snags in committee and I'd like any information in favor of the Indians' rights that I can get.

My best wishes and kind regards to you.

Sincerely yours,

Usher L. Burdick, M. C.