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In all sincerity, might we here urge all of our true paleface American friends to join us Indians in demanding the Congress of the United States to give us American Indian people our complete freedom so that we can enjoy the same rights and privileges which are accorded other citizens?

No race can progress in slavery.

July 29, 1946.

Honorable William Langer, Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

I am so glad to know that everything went all right with you up in North Dakota. I did not want to bother you again with any letters until you had been back and sort of rested up a bit.

Bill, is there anything further about Garrison Dam Project? Floyd Montclair wrote and told me that there was a council meeting a short while ago, but nothing of any importance developed there at that time, so I am wondering if you have heard from them since the meeting.

I am leaving Hartford for the Southwest again, either on the 20 or 22nd of August, 1946, and I am anxious to see you, that is, if you are still in Washington. If you will still be there at that time, would you kindly let me know, because I would appreciate you giving me about five minutes of your valuable time when I arrive in that City.

Trusting that you and your family are enjoying good health these hot summer days.

With every good wish to you and yours, I am, as ever,

Very respectfully,

John.

JEH:0