

U.S. Grant

Letter sent by  
to Land owners  
asking for  
contribution  
to Range case

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Edward Runge, Plaintiff,	:	Eagle Lake Property Owners Association, Eagle Lake, Ticonderoga, New York.
against	:	
Irving C. Newton, and ano. Defendant.	:	

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May 3/14

Dear Mr.

As you know, a suit was begun July last by Mr. Edward RUNGE, of Island Cottage, Eagle Lake, at the earnest request of several members of this Association, to compel Kessara. Newton & Ferres, of Ticonderoga, to restore the log crib and Spillway taken out by them, in November, One thousand nine hundred and thirteen, from the centre of the dam across the outlet of this lake, thereby lowering the waters of Eagle Lake about three feet and causing widespread injury to all boat houses, piers and other structures built at the former water level here.

Navigation through the outlet has been cut off and the shores are covered with an unsightly and unhealthy mass of decayed logs and brush. The fishing has been practically destroyed. The pike now having no breeding places, and along with bass and other fish, are in Spring swept out of the outlet through the hole, fourteen feet wide made in the dam by these defendants.

This log crib and Spillway was built and paid for with money subscribed by the residents of the Lake (yourself included) in One thousand Nine hundred. So that, each owner should now stoutly object to this destruction of his property.

It has been decided, therefore, to invite your earnest attention to this matter in the hope that you will contrib-

bute liberally towards a fund for the necessary expenses of this litigation, assumed by Mr. Runge for the benefit of all residents and property owners here, as well as himself, to compel a restoration of our property so destroyed, and also to fix by an Order of the Supreme Court just what shall be the permanent water level of Eagle Lake, so that we may all adapt our riparian structures in accordance with this decision.

The expenses of this suit have thus far been met by Mr. Runge and three other local property owners and it has been thought that you would be only too glad to co-operate with the others in carrying on this case and obtaining the relief sought.

The amount now necessary to be raised to complete this action is Two hundred dollars (\$200), and it is hoped that you will contribute at least Twenty dollars (\$20.00) to make up this amount. All are equally interested in the restoration of our beautiful Lake and its fishing to their former condition. Your subscription will of course not make you a party to the suit or impose any further liability upon you.

Faithfully yours,

Peter Flint,

Attorney for Edward Runge,  
Eagle Lake,  
Ticonderoga, N. Y.

P. S. Checks may be sent to Edward O. Luthy, Sec'y. Treas.,  
Box 232, Cincinnati, Ohio.

or to the undersigned.

Yours etc.,

Peter Flint.