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June 9, 1955

Hon. Usher L. Burdick, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Burdick:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of May 9 regarding the handling of the pros and cons of the Garrison pool level in our issue of May 5.

Credit, however, must go to my son Malcolm who has been in the shop with me since his graduation a few years ago from the journalism department if the University of North Dakota. I consider myself fortunate to have him with us.

Incidentally, in my opinion you have the best of the argument. With all due respect to Mr. Krueger, you as a resident of the area in question, should know the facts if anyone does, and I liked your points very much. I do not approve of the tactics of asking city councils and boards of county commissioners over the state to give an opinion on a subject they know nothing of. While such opinions do add weight to the argument, the opinion of an uninformed person or group of persons is is, I believe, completely unreliable.

While I do not always agree with what you say in your column, I do think that as a representative of the people of North Dakota, you certainly have a right to say what you think. In that I realize, of course, that I am out of step with the world as it is. Unfortunately people do not do their own thinking.

Sincerely yours, Godbard

Sorry I was so slow in replying but the old man is slowing up.