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*M. B. Tuttle
will you please
answer?
A.S.H.*

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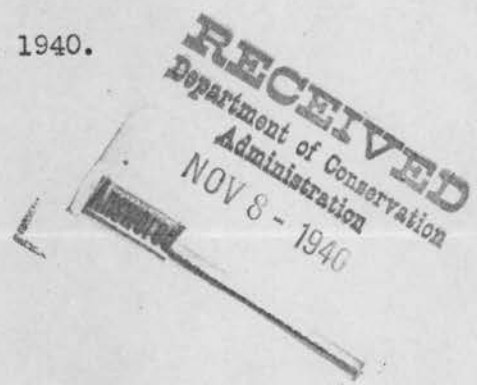


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2010 MINNEHAHA AVENUE
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Nov. 6, 1940.



Mr. Lewis H. Merrill, Commissioner,
Department of Conservation,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir,-

The Citizens Club has a boys' camp at Willow River,
Minn., which fronts on three small lakes, Clear Lake, Mud
Lake, and Twin Lake.

Our camping committee feels that it would be de-
sirable to change these names, as lakes of the same names
are found in all parts of the state.

It is our understanding that there is a commission
that considers requests for such changes in lake names.

Will you kindly furnish me with information as to
how we shall proceed and to whom we should submit proposed
new names?

Sincerely yours,

Peter Skurdalsvold
Peter Skurdalsvold,
Secy.-Mgr.

November 23, 1940

Mr. Peter Skurdalsvold, secretary
Citizens Club
2010 Minnehaha Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

Your letter of November 6, relating to changing the names of Clear, Mud, and Twin lakes near Willow River, has been referred by the Department of Conservation to the State Geographic Board.

Chapters 35 and 63 of the Session Laws of 1937 prescribe definite rules to regulate the process of changing the names of lakes. Although the State Geographic Board has the power to initiate proceedings, we believe that greater satisfaction will result if local wishes are consulted, and if the initial action for changing names comes from the communities in which the lake is located.

I am therefore enclosing a set of instructions to be followed in beginning such action, together with copies of the laws under which the Board operates. You will notice that the petition, which is also enclosed, must be signed by fifteen legal voters residing within the county in which the lake is located.

If any questions arise, or if you wish additional information, please do not hesitate to write us.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur J. Larsen, Secretary
State Geographic Board