

April 23, 1940

Mr. J. T. Leigh
Cedar City, Utah

Dear Mr. Leigh: REL: COAL CREEK DISTRIBUTION.

Mr. Claton Perry of 365 South Main Street, Cedar City, has written pertaining a water right which he says he possesses on Coal creek and which you, as Water Commissioner, refuse to acknowledge and turn water therefor in accordance with the right involved.

I am sending a copy of Mr. Perry's letter and ask for an immediate reply pertaining to the statements made therein. Please give me a full report of the facts.

Among other things, Mr. Perry said he has used the water for over 50 years until the 1st of May and that you, both this and last year, have shut it off. He says also that he has tried to discuss this with you and could only get a statement "Leave that water alone." I can hardly believe that a Water Commissioner would deprive a water user of water without at least an explanation as to why it was done and not content himself with an answer "Leave that water along."

I would like your statements with respect to this matter.

Yours very truly,

T. H. Humpherys
STATE ENGINEER

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