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The fuss over Faber dam, we predict, will quickly subside under the light of thought and close scrutiny of the basic facts. Unfortunately it is down on paper in a government report and will be raised from the file cabinet each time someone asks for a study of the river for many years to come. We were glad there was a prompt response in the upper valley when the subject appeared in print, but we must admit we were also shocked by the number who believed that our upper valley would be of more benefit to the county under water. But, as one man put it after a quick study of the original report, "None of us knew what we were talking about." The report does not favor a dam at Faber, or Cascade, or Sauk. It merely states that the sites are there and what would be required to develop them. The findings on the latter showed none of the projects as sound investments, and most of them as huge debit items unfeasible except in dire emergency or sudden unlimited wealth. There are more sound and economical ways to end the periodic threat of floods in the lower valley. The thing is, don't relax your vigilance in warding off danger to your valley and your homes. Someone is always ready to offer someone else as a sacrifice. Until we have more voters than the lower valley, we are expendable.