

# Guide to **Cayuga Lake Levels and Typhoid Fever Report - 1903**

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### COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

The typhoid fever epidemic of 1903 in Ithaca, N.Y. generated major public health concerns about the local water supply in Ithaca and the Finger Lakes. Subsequently New York State and local entities have studied Cayuga Lake water levels making recommendations on the regulation of those levels. This collection includes a paper written by George A. Soper of the New York State Dept. of Health about the 1903 typhoid fever epidemic and the official 1903 report he wrote for the New York Dept. of Health on the need to control Cayuga Lake levels, including maps.

### CONTAINER LIST

This spiral-bound volume includes:

- “The epidemic of typhoid fever at Ithaca, N.Y. by George A. Soper, presented Sept. 15, 1903 at the New England Water Works Association”
- New York (State) Dept. of Health. “A report on the need of controlling the level of Cayuga Lake, with suggestions as to the cause of the present fluctuations and how they may be corrected.” (1903)
- New York (State) Dept. of Public Works. Division of Canals and Waterways. “Report by the Superintendent of Public Works and the Commissioner of Canals and Waterways regarding the regulation of Cayuga Lake.” (1931)
- “The regulation of Cayuga and Seneca lakes.” August 15, 1930.
- “Cayuga Lake water surface elevations” [1940-1953]

Collection also contains photocopies for research purposes.