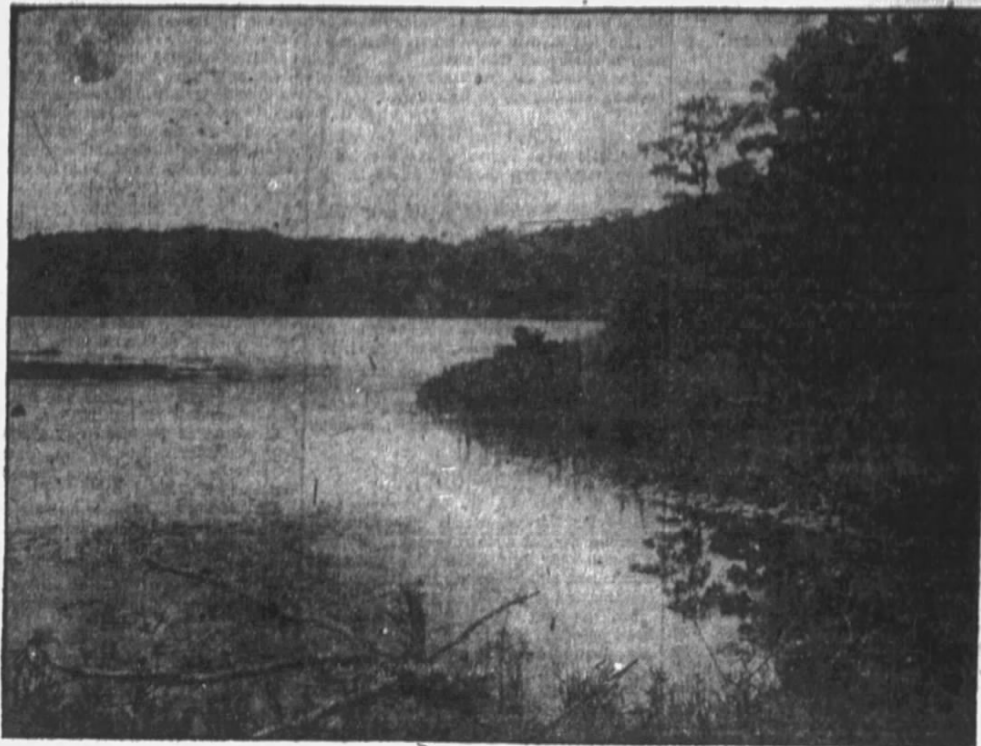


## Picturesque Lotowana Lake at Wading River.



Now that Wading River is coming into more or less prominence as one of the delightful residence sections of Long Island, there is a tendency evinced to revive the old Indian names of various parts of the community. During the last two years a considerable number of people desiring to establish country homes on Long Island have bought property hereabouts. It is almost universally true that these purchasers prefer to retain as far as possible the characteristic features which give Wading River its charm. Old homesteads which

have been bought are changed as little as possible, while still being made to suit the tastes and needs of the new owners. So it is with the roads and public features. So it is, too, with the place names. Deep Pond, for instance, of which a glimpse is shown in the accompanying illustration, was formerly called Lake Lotowana, meaning white lily. The visitor who visits the pretty little lake at this time is likely to see beautiful white pond lilies in bloom, and making good the name Lotowana. Bearing in mind the general distinction between a lake as a natural body of water and a pond as a sheet

of water formed by the damming of a stream, the name Lake Lotowana is far more acceptable to many than the name now most commonly used. So with the larger lake nearby, which the Indians who formerly lived in the region called Lake Panamoca.

The creek which gives Wading River its present name also had an Indian appellation—Pawquacumsuck.

It is quite possible that a concerted effort will be made in the near future to have these and other former titles restored and put in more general use.