

April 23, 1936

Southwest Coast Land Co.,  
707 South Hill Street  
Los Angeles, California

Attention: -Mr. S.S. Webster, Jr.

My dear Mr. Webster:

Mr. Crocker under-date of April 20th wired me  
as follows:

"LETTER EIGHTEENTH RECEIVED STOP WE CANNOT GIVE  
A DEED TO PROPERTY WHICH WE DO NOT OWN BUT SHALL  
BE GLAD TO RELEASE TO TAYLOR ALL RIGHTS AS  
MORTGAGEE ALONG LINES SUGGESTED BY YOU."

C.H. Taylor is my daughter. Already one piece  
of the Whitney property in Solana Beach has been deeded to Mrs.  
Taylor, and the plan is to deed it all to her so that a comprom-  
ise can be made which will be very advantageous. The Southwest  
Coast Land Company as mortgagee have an interest in this property  
and as long as they have been served, an answer of some kind  
must be put in.

Mr. Lovett, my attorney, has prepared the necessary  
papers and will explain everything to you. Please sign so that  
all rights may be protected. We hope to get this matter straightened  
out in the near future.

Very truly yours,

EF/jv

April 28, 1936

Southwest Coast Land Company  
707 South Hill Street  
Los Angeles, California

Attention: -Mr. S.S. Webster, Jr.

My dear Mr. Webster:

Answering yours of the 27th, I acknowledge  
receipt of the answer and same will be filed today.

I am happy to inform you that Mr. Lambert  
is also sending down his answer for Mr. Lovett to record,  
representing the Rancho Solana Corporation.

Don't you think it is about time you came  
down to look over San Diego and our Exposition, and give  
me a chance to get acquainted with you? Bring down your  
wife or friends, and I will take you twelve miles into  
the back country where you may pick any green lemon off  
the tree and I will make it sweet by appealing to Allah.  
Also, I will pound on a rock like Moses and out will come  
water. Is this not a challenge?

Sincerely yours,

EF/jv

SOUTHWEST COAST LAND COMPANY

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707 South Hill Street  
Los Angeles, California

June 15, 1936

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
1020 Ninth Avenue,  
San Diego, California

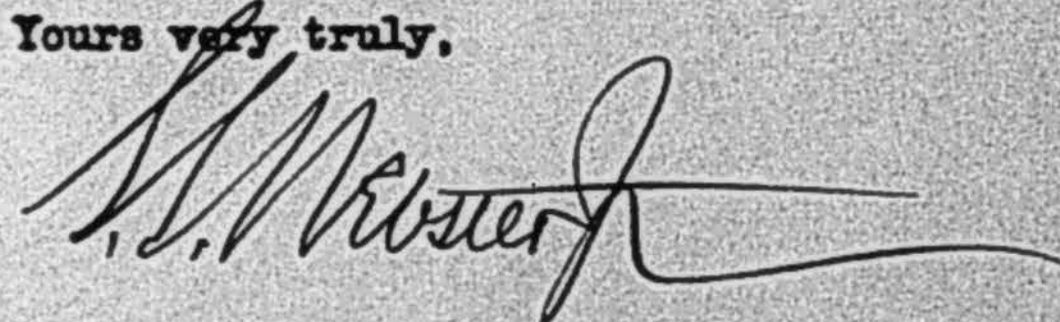
Dear Mr. Fletcher:

We have just received from the San Francisco office of Humphrey, Searles, Doyle and McMillan seventy-five notices from Sam A. Claggett, County Tax Collector, San Diego, addressed to Calancorporation, Ltd. and J. Stuart Blackton covering delinquent taxes on the Blackton property for the year 1930. These notices advise that if the said taxes are not paid on or before July 1, 1936 the property will be deeded to the State of California.

I enclose herewith a list of these notices showing the property involved and the amount of taxes claimed to be delinquent on each parcel. I have wired Colonel Crocker in New York giving him this information and requesting his instructions in the matter.

If you have any suggestions regarding these notices I would be glad to receive the same.

Yours very truly,



SSWJr.  
C  
Encl.

June 16, 1936

Southwest Coast Land Company  
707 South Hill Street  
Los Angeles, California

Attention: Mr. S.S. Webster, Jr.

Dear Mr. Webster:

Answering yours of June 15th, will say that the delinquent State and County taxes on the Blackton property referred to in your letter need cause you no worry, for they can be redeemed from the State prior to January 1, 1938, and you can be relieved of all penalties and interest if paid on or before July 1, 1936, or, you can accept the ten year plan March 1, 1957.

By the way, has there been any suit brought by the Santa Fe Irrigation District against that Blackton land? If so, Mr. Lovett should put in his answer for you, and we can stall and keep up the litigation for a long time with the hope of a compromise. Have you been served with any papers?

Sincerely yours,

EF/jv

CC-Mr. Frank Crocker

SOUTHWEST COAST LAND COMPANY

OF RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

707 South Hill Street  
Los Angeles, California

June 17, 1936

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
1020 Ninth Avenue,  
San Diego, California

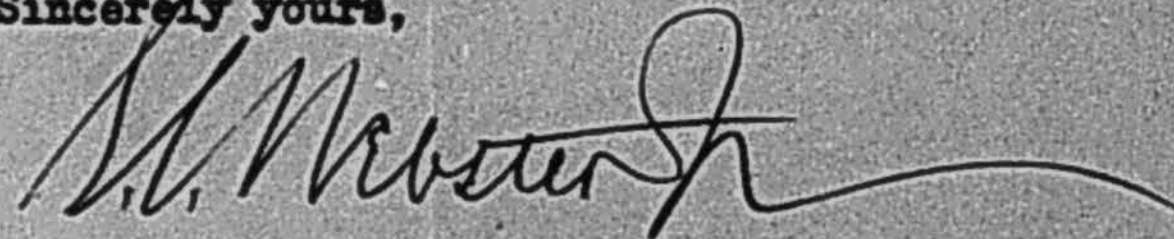
Dear Mr. Fletcher:

I have your letter of June 16th, and am pleased to advise that I have just received word from Colonel Crocker in New York that it will not be necessary for me to take any action in connection with the notices from the tax collector regarding the sale of the Blackton properties for delinquent 1930 taxes.

In reply to your inquiry as to whether any suit has been brought by the Santa Fe Irrigation District against the Blackton land, you are advised that the papers in two actions by the Santa Fe Irrigation District were served upon me on May the 2nd, copies of which were forwarded you with my letter of that date. On May 7th you forwarded me the Answers to these actions which, upon instructions of Colonel Crocker, I verified and forwarded you for filing on May 18th. I have not been served with any further papers in this matter.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



SSWJr.  
C

July 2, 1936.

Mr. S. J. Webster, Jr., Sec'y  
Southwest Coast Land Company  
707 South Hill Street,  
Los Angeles, California.

My dear Mr. Webster:

Will you please let me know by return mail whether you have received all the money due from the sale to J. Stuart Blackton of the acreage along the coast. If not how much is still due? Has any of it outlawed? Kindly let me know by return mail.

Yours sincerely,

EF M

SOUTHWEST COAST LAND COMPANY

707 South Hill Street  
Los Angeles, California

July 3, 1936

Mr. Ed Fletcher  
1020 Ninth Avenue  
San Diego, California.

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

In reply to your inquiry of July 2d, you are advised that J. Stuart Blackton, or his successors in interest defaulted on the past payment of \$11,760.00 due September 26, 1931 on account of the sale of the Solana Beach property. Thereafter, on March 7, 1932, the corporation instituted foreclosure proceedings under the mortgage in the Superior Court of San Diego County. The suit was not contested, and on August 19, 1932 a decree of foreclosure was entered in favor of the corporation in the amount of \$12,725.10, including interest and costs. No sale under the decree of foreclosure has been made, and I understand the Santa Fe Irrigation District have taken over the properties, and as you know have recently filed actions to quiet title thereon.

I trust this is the information you desire.

Sincerely yours,

S. S. WEBSTER, Jr.

Original to Crocker.

Mr. Lovett: Prepare the assignment of this equity to Catherine F. Taylor.

E.F.

*Received by J. Stuart Blackton  
for assignment given back to Southwest  
Coast Land Co.*

*Witness: Webster*

**Ed Fletcher Papers**

**1870-1955**

**MSS.81**

**Box: 33 Folder: 4**

**General Correspondence - Webster, S.S., Jr.**



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