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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
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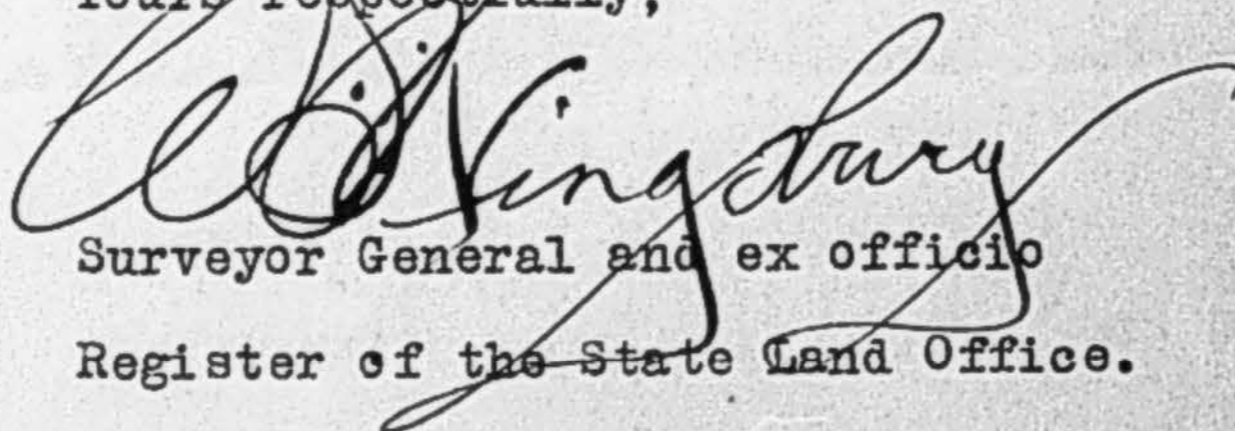
Mr. Ed. Fletcher,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Your telegram to Mr. M. B. Pratt, State Forester, requesting him to purchase scrip, has been referred to me, and in reply, I beg to advise you that scrip will be for sale at \$6.50 per acre until further notice.

Enclosed find form for affidavit of person desiring to purchase scrip, and if you will subscribe and swear to the same, and return to this office, together with the sum of \$6.50 for each acre of scrip desired, the scrip will be issued and forwarded to you.

Yours respectfully,

  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

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November 14, 1923.

Mr. W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General,  
State of California,  
Sacramento, California.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith find form of affidavit signed and acknowledged for the amount of scrip I would like. Can you furnish me this much scrip? If so, kindly wire me at my expense and what steps are the next to take.

Yours very truly,

EF:KIM



OFFICE OF SURVEYOR GENERAL  
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Section 3408d of the Political Code as amended in 1923, Chapter 446, provides for the sale by the Surveyor General, Room 220, State Capitol, Sacramento, of Indemnity Certificates or scrip for cash, the price of the scrip to be fixed from time to time by the Surveyor General.

Scrip represents the right of the State of California to select an equal area of non-mineral government land of the United States in California in lieu of certain 16th and 36th sections or as indemnity for losses to the school land grant to the State. Scrip is not transferable.

Homestead and desert land entrymen can relinquish their entries through the Surveyor General's office and acquire title to the land by the purchase of scrip, provided the land is not withdrawn by the Federal Government for public purposes prior to the date the land is scripped and is not embraced in any other entry or filing. The applicant need not live on or improve the land.

A citizen of the United States or one who has filed his intention to become such, a resident of the State of California and of lawful age, is qualified to purchase 640 acres of scrip provided he has not entered that amount of State school land. State school land purchased at public auction from the Surveyor General will not be taken into account.

Scrip may be purchased at any time on and after August 17, 1923, at the office of the Surveyor General or through the mail. A person desiring to purchase scrip must file an affidavit with the Surveyor General showing that he is qualified to purchase State school land. Form for affidavit can be obtained from the Surveyor General.

Indemnity Certificates, scrip, will contain the number of acres, from 1 to 640, desired by the applicant, limited, though, to the amount the applicant is qualified to purchase.

Said certificates entitle the holders to have the United States land selected for them by surrendering the scrip to the Surveyor General and filing an application for the desired United States land under the provisions of Section 3495 of the Political Code, which is subject to the provisions of Section 3498 of the Political Code. The fee for filing the application is \$5.00 and the form for application can be obtained from the Surveyor General. The United States officials charge a fee of \$2.00 for EACH 160 acres or fraction selected, which fee must be paid to the Surveyor General by the applicant.

Township plats showing the Government lands of the United States that may be selected can be secured from the United States Land Office of the district in which the land is situated, the land offices being located in the following cities: Eureka, El Centro, Independence, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco, Susanville and Visalia.

The United States officials require a notice of the selection to be published in a newspaper published near the land and the fee for publication, amounting to approximately \$15.00, must be paid by the applicant and the applicant must, if requested, furnish certificates of the recorder of the county in which the scrip land described in the scrip certificate is located, that the said land to be offered to the United States in exchange for the United States land is unincumbered. The fee for each certificate, amounting to approximately \$5.00, must be paid by the applicant.

Upon payment of \$3.00 fee a certificate of purchase (which is prima facie evidence of title) can be issued in the name of the purchaser of the scrip for the land selected by him, at the expiration of ninety days from the date of filing his application, provided the selection of said land is accepted by the United States Land Office officials, but a patent for said land can not be issued under a minimum of fifteen months, and then only provided the selected land has been relinquished to the State of California by the United States. The fees for patents are \$5.00 plus \$1.00 for each 160 acres or fraction thereof.

One-sixteenth of all minerals in lands applied for is reserved to the State.

The grant of the selected lands will be subject to rights of way granted to the United States by an act of the Legislature, approved May 18, 1921 (Chapter 173, Statutes of California, 1921), for the uses prescribed in the act of Congress, approved June 17, 1902, relating to irrigation and reclamation, and a reservation in the people of the absolute right to fish thereupon as provided by Section 25 of Article 1 of the Constitution of the State of California.

The price of scrip is \$6.50 per acre.

The United States Land Office at Los Angeles advises that owing to pressure of current business it will not be able to furnish copies of township plats showing vacant lands, but that the books and maps are open for inspection to ascertain what lands are vacant or to make plats showing same.

W. S. KINGSBURY,  
Surveyor General.

AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT FOR STATE SCRIP

State of California

County of \_\_\_\_\_

} ss.

-----being first

duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he is a citizen of the United States, or has filed his intention to become such, a resident of the State of California, and of lawful age.

That affiant has entered no lands as mentioned in section three thousand four hundred and ninety-four of the Political Code of the State of California (to wit, the unsold portion of the five hundred thousand acres granted to the State for school purposes, the sixteenth and thirty-sixth sections, and the lands selected in lieu thereof),

(a) excepting as follows:

(b) -----acres of lands suitable for cultivation.

(c) -----acres of lands not suitable for cultivation.

Address-----

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

-----day of-----, 19-----

NOTE: Section 3495 of the Political Code limits sale of lands suitable for cultivation to actual settlers and in quantities not exceeding 320 acres. Lands not suitable for cultivation may be purchased in quantities not exceeding 640 acres.

(a) If affiant has not entered any lands draw line through lines a, b, and c.

(b) If affiant has entered any land suitable for cultivation, insert on line b the amount entered.

(c) If affiant has entered any land not suitable for cultivation, insert on line c the amount entered.



W. S. KINGSBURY  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
BRUCE L. DRAY  
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OFFICE OF  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

November 16, 1923.

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
Fletcher Building,  
920 Eighth Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 14th, enclosing affidavit of applicant for State scrip, in which you have entered after (b) approx. fifty acres of land suitable for cultivation and after (c) approx. 515 acres of land not suitable for cultivation, in which letter you ask "Can you furnish me this much scrip?".

Each resident of this State, who is a citizen of the United States, is entitled to purchase 640 acres of scrip unless he has entered (filed in this office applications for) that amount of school or lieu land.

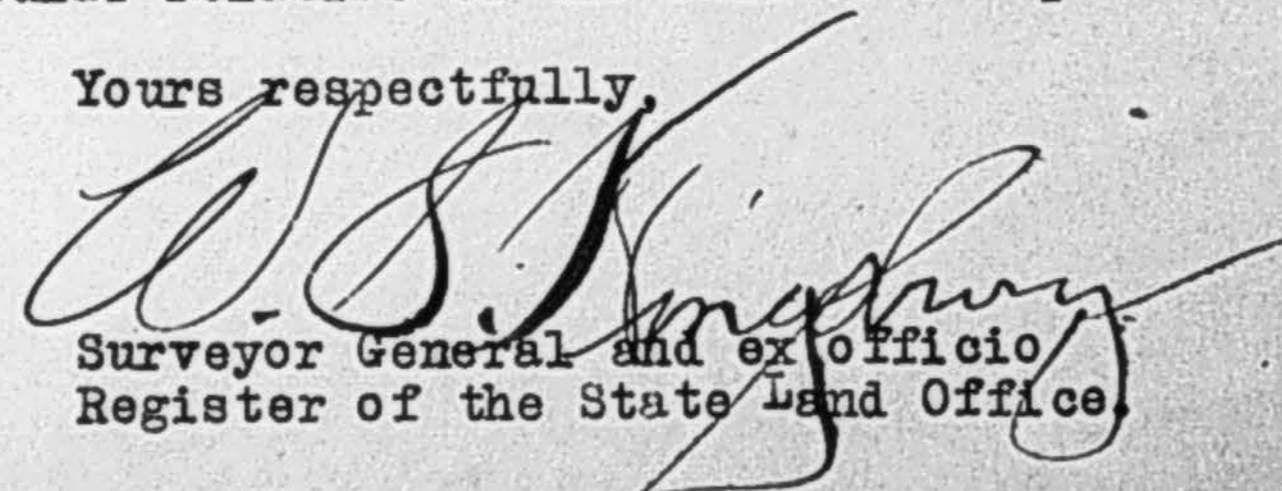
As it appears from your affidavit that you have already entered 565 acres of land, you would be qualified to purchase only 75 acres of scrip.

If your affidavit does not relate to school or lieu lands, that is 16th or 36th sections, or land selected in lieu thereof, you will be qualified to purchase 640 acres of scrip.

If your affidavit was made under misapprehension of the requirements, kindly send a new affidavit to this office, together with the sum of \$6.50 for each acre of scrip desired by you, and the scrip will be issued and forwarded to you.

Enclosed find circular relative to the sale of scrip.

Yours respectfully,

  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

WSK/rk  
Encl.

November twenty-one 1923

Mr. W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.  
Sacramento, California.

Dear Sir:

Answering yours of November 16th, will say I did not fully understand the requirements of the affidavit sent you on Nov. 14th, and would appreciate it if you would return it to me. In a few days I will send up a correct affidavit together with check for scrip I wish to buy.

Yours very truly,

EF:KLM



W. S. KINGSBURY  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
BRUCE L. DRAY  
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AND  
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

P. O. BOX 599

November 23, 1923.

Mr. Ed. Fletcher,  
920 Eighth Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your favor of November 21, 1923,  
I am enclosing form for affidavit of applicant for State  
scrip.

Yours respectfully,

*W. S. Kingsbury*  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

BLD/rk  
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P.S. Your affidavit of November 14, is herewith, as requested.

*destroyed as  
it was not  
to be used*

*W. S. Kingsbury*

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W. S. KINGSBURY  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

P. O. BOX 599

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
San Diego, California.

March 31, 1924.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your application No. 9078, Los Angeles  
Land District, I beg to advise you that the approval  
thereof will be governed by the provisions of Section  
3498 of the Political Code, copy enclosed.

The hearing can be held in this office on  
any day convenient to you, except Saturdays and holidays,  
if you will advise me of the day at least fifteen days  
prior thereto. There will be no expense attached, if  
the hearing is held in this office.

Should you desire to have the testimony taken  
nearer your home, I will designate any one suggested by  
you, who is authorized to administer oaths, to take the  
testimony, if he will advise this office that he will  
act without cost to the State. I must be advised of  
the day upon which the testimony will be taken at least  
fifteen days prior thereto.

Yours respectfully,

*W. S. Kingsbury*  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office

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**COPY**

Mr. E. B. Wickham,  
801 Lane Mortgage Building,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

I herewith transmit order for publication of notice of selection of the lands embraced in State Selection No. 9078, Los Angeles Land District, Serial No. 037113, of Ed Fletcher, which please have published, at the applicant's expense, for five weeks in each consecutive issue of the "Times-Advocate", published at Escondido, California, and at the expiration of the required five weeks' period of publication, please obtain an affidavit of publication from the publisher and transmit the same to this office.

In said State selection the State offered to the United States the  $\frac{N}{2}$  of  $\frac{SE}{4}$  and  $\frac{SW}{4}$  of  $\frac{SE}{4}$  Section 16, T. 18 N., R. 8 W., M.D.M., the  $\frac{NW}{4}$  of  $\frac{SW}{4}$ ,  $\frac{W}{2}$  of  $\frac{NW}{4}$ ,  $\frac{NE}{4}$  of  $\frac{NW}{4}$ , the  $\frac{NE}{4}$ , and  $\frac{E}{2}$  of  $\frac{SE}{4}$  Section 16, T. 16 N., R. 8 W., M. D. M., (described in Indemnity Certificates of Location Nos. 2596 to 2599, inclusive, and Indemnity Certificates of Location Nos. 2601 to 2609, inclusive, sold to Ed Fletcher March 24, 1924) in exchange for United States lands applied for in Application No. 9078, Los Angeles Land District, of Ed Fletcher, and the United States requires a certificate of the Recorder of the county in which the lands offered are situated, showing that the title to the lands offered is clear. Therefore, I enclose certificate of the Surveyor General showing the non-encumbrance of the lands offered, and ~~form~~ for certificate of the Recorder of Lake County, in which has been written a description of the lands offered to the United States, which please transmit to the Recorder for his certification.

The certificate of the Surveyor General should also be transmitted to the Recorder in order that he may know that the State has not encumbered the lands offered, which will assist him in making his certificate. When you receive the certificate from the Recorder, please transmit the same to this office.

The Recorder will charge you a fee for his services, the amount thereof to be ascertained from the Recorder.

The rules of the General Land Office require the filing of the affidavit of publication of the notice of selection and of the certificate of the County Recorder within ninety days of March 28, 1924.

Yours respectfully,

*W. S. Kingsbury*

Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

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Encls.

March 31, 1924.

W. S. KINGSBURY  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
BRUCE L. DRAY  
DEPUTY

OFFICE OF  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
AND  
REGISTER STATE LAND OFFICE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

P. O. BOX 599

April 25, 1924.

Mr. Benjamin H. Taylor,  
3174 B Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Under date of April 19, 1924, the United States Land Office at Los Angeles suspended your State Selection No. 9088, Los Angeles Land District, for  $\frac{NW}{4}$  of  $\frac{NE}{4}$  of fractional Section 18, T. 13 S., R. 2 W., S. B. M., for the reason that the State is required to take said land under Section 24 of the Federal Water Power Act, reserving to the United States 50 feet of the center line of the transmission line right of way of the Escondido Consolidated Gas and Electric Company.

The United States Land Office at Los Angeles allows thirty days from April 24, 1924, within which to file an election to take said  $\frac{NW}{4}$  of  $\frac{NE}{4}$  of fractional Section 18, T. 13 S., R. 2 W., S. B. M., reserving to the United States, its permittees or licensees the right to enter upon, take and use any or all of said  $\frac{NW}{4}$  of  $\frac{NE}{4}$  lying within 50 feet of the center line of the transmission line right of way of the Escondido Consolidated Gas and Electric Company for power purposes, in accordance with the terms and conditions of Section 24 of the Federal Water Power Act.

If you desire to take said land subject to the above mentioned reservation, please advise this office, and this office will file an election of the State to take said land subject thereto.

Yours respectfully,

W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office,

By

*Bruce L. Dray*  
Deputy.

BLD/rk



April 30, 1924

Hon W. S. Kingsbury,  
State Surveyor General  
Sacramento, California.

Sir:-

Please be advised that I will take the final proof testimony in the case of State Selection 9078, Los Angeles Serial 037113 Ed Fletcher applicant, without cost to the State of California.

If there is no objection on your part I suggest that said proof be taken on the 27 day of May 1924 at my office at 916 - 8th St., San Diego, California.

Respectfully,

*Lou B Mathews*

Notary Public in and for the  
State of California, County  
of San Diego.

Ed Fletcher, applicant for the lands embraced in Location No. 9078, Los Angeles Land District, being duly sworn, was interrogated by Lou B. Mathews, a notary public, who is authorized to administer oaths, as follows:

Question: What is your name, age, place of residence and occupation?

Answer: Ed Fletcher - 51 - San Diego - Real Estate

Question: Are you the same Ed Fletcher who on March 24, 1924 made application to the Surveyor General for the lands embraced in said Location No. 9078, Los Angeles Land District?

Answer: Yes

Question: How long have you lived in California?

Answer: thirty-seven years

Question: Where were you born?

Answer: Littleton, Mass.

Question: By whom are you employed?

Answer: San Dieguito Mutual Water Company

Question: In what office or place did you sign the application?

Answer: Guyamaca Water Company office [office of Lou B. Mathews Notary]

Question: Who ~~filled out the application for you?~~ presented it for signing?

Answer: Application was prepared at my request for signing by E.B. Wickham

Question: Who filled out the application for you?

Answer: ~~Ed Fletcher~~ E. B. Wickham, land attorney.

Question: Did you personally appear before Lou B. Mathews, a notary public, and swear to the application on the 5th day of March, 1924?

Answer: Yes

Question: What is the general character of the land applied for?

Answer: Mountainous, rocky, hillside land with a little grazing land

Question: How much timber is there on the land?

Answer: A few scattering oak trees

Question: On what date did you examine the land?

Answer: Have been on it every three or four weeks for the last ten or fifteen years. The last time on May 5, 1924.

Question: Was any person present with you when you examined the land?

Answer: Yes.



Question: If so, what is his name, address and occupation?  
Answer: Milton S. Jackson - 833-17th St., San Diego - Salesman

Question: Did you find any corner stakes? If so, which corners?  
Answer: Warners Ranch line.

Question: If not, how were you able to state that you had made a personal examination of each legal subdivision of the land?

Answer:

Question: Have you made any contract or agreement to sell the land?  
Answer: No

Question: Over what road did you travel to reach the land?  
Answer: Santa Ysabel to Warners Hot Springs county road, thence over county highway past Henshaw Dam.

Question: From what point, railway station or town did you start?  
Answer: San Diego

Question: Did you purchase the land for your own use and benefit?  
Answer: Yes

Question: Did any one suggest that you buy it and sell it to him, or that if you applied for the land he would buy it from you?  
Answer: No

Question: Did you pay the filing fee of \$5.00 with your own money?  
Answer: Yes

Question: If not, who advanced the money?  
Answer:

Question: Is the land suitable for cultivation without artificial irrigation?

X Answer: Small isolated tracts possible of cultivation but negligible.

Question: Have you made application for school lands other than those above described?  
Answer: No

Question: If so, for how many acres?  
Answer:

Question: Have you made any improvements on the land? If so, what improvements?  
Answer: No

Question: Is any one living on the land at the present time?  
Answer: No

Question: By what mode of conveyance did you reach the land?  
Answer: Automobile

Question: Who advised you that the land was open to entry?  
Answer: I made a personal investigation, and had E. B. Wickham of Los Angeles assist me.

Question: Did you see any houses, fences or crops on the land, or any one in possession?  
Answer: No

Question: Who suggested that you apply for the land?  
Answer: On my own initiative.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant

Notary Public in and for the County of San Diego, State of California.



3174 B Street,  
San Diego, Calif.,  
May 1, 1924.

Mr. W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General,  
P. O. Box 599,  
Sacramento, Calif.

Attention: Bruce L. Dray  
Deputy

Dear Sir:

Answering yours of April 25th, will say  
that I am willing to take the property subject to the  
easement to the Consolidated Gas & Electric Company.

Yours very truly,

*Benjamin H. Taylor.*

W. S. KINGSBURY  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
BRUCE L. DRAY  
DEPUTY

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SURVEYOR GENERAL  
AND  
REGISTER STATE LAND OFFICE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
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P. O. BOX 599

May 7, 1924.

Mr. Ed Fletcher,

San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

As the applicant for the lands embraced in Application No. 9078, Los Angeles Land District, which was filed in the office of the Surveyor General on the 24th day of March, 1924, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 3498 of the Political Code, you are hereby notified that I have this day designated Lou B. Mathews, a notary public, who is authorized to administer oaths, as the person or official before whom you are to appear and answer, under oath, at the time hereinafter specified, such interrogatories as may be put to you regarding your application, or the truth of the same, or any fact or circumstance connected therewith.

You are further notified that the said hearing will be held before the said Lou B. Mathews, on Tuesday, the 27th day of May, 1924, at his office, 916--8th Street, San Diego, California, pursuant to the provisions of said Section 3498 of the Political Code, and this notice is mailed to you in accordance with the provisions of said section.

You are further notified that if you fail to so appear and submit yourself for examination, as required by said section and by law, your said application will become null and void.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL the day  
and year first above specified.

W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office,

By

*Bruce L. Dray*  
Deputy.

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W. S. KINGSBURY  
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Mr. Benjamin H. Taylor,  
3174 B Street,  
San Diego, California.

May 9, 1924.

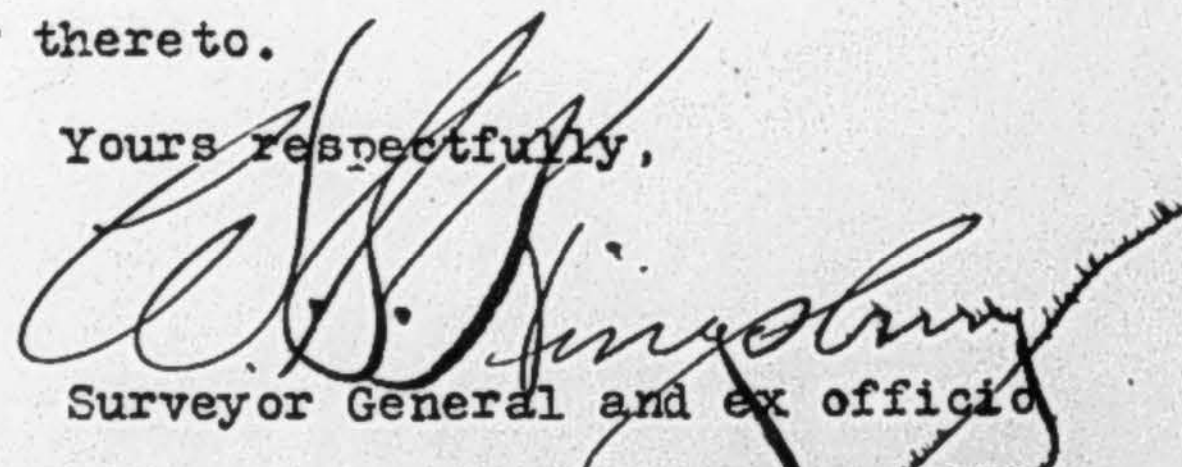
Dear Sir:

Referring to your application No. 9088, Los Angeles Land District, I beg to advise you that the approval thereof will be governed by the provisions of Section 3498 of the Political Code, copy enclosed.

The hearing can be held in this office on any day convenient to you, except Saturdays and holidays, if you will advise me of the day at least fifteen days prior thereto. There will be no expense attached, if the hearing is held in this office.

Should you desire to have the testimony taken nearer your home, I will designate any one suggested by you, who is authorized to administer oaths, to take the testimony, if he will advise this office that he will act without cost to the State. I must be advised of the day upon which the testimony will be taken at least fifteen days prior thereto.

Yours respectfully,

  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office

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May 9, 1924.

Mr. E. B. Wickham,

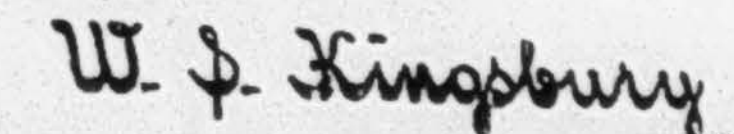
801 Lane Mortgage Building,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

I herewith transmit order for publication of notice of selection of the land embraced in State Selection No. 9088, Los Angeles Land District, Serial No. 037195, of Benjamin H. Taylor, which please have published, at the applicant's expense, for five weeks in each consecutive issue of the "Times-Advocate", published at Escondido, California, and at the expiration of the required five weeks' period of publication, please obtain an affidavit of publication from the publisher and transmit the same to this office.

The rules of the General Land Office require the filing of the affidavit of publication of the notice of selection within ninety days of May 9, 1924.

Yours respectfully,

  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

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Encl.



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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

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P. O. BOX 599

May 21, 1924

Mr. Benjamin H. Taylor,  
3174 B Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

As the applicant for the land embraced in Application No. 9088, Los Angeles Land District, which was filed in the office of the Surveyor General on the 17th day of April, 1924, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 3498 of the Political Code, you are hereby notified that I have this day designated Lou B. Mathews, a notary public, who is authorized to administer oaths, as the person or official before whom you are to appear and answer, under oath, at the time hereinafter specified, such interrogatories as may be put to you regarding your application, or the truth of the same, or any fact or circumstance connected therewith.

You are further notified that the said hearing will be held before the said Lou B. Mathews, on Tuesday, the 10th day of June, 1924, at his office, 916-8th Street, San Diego, California, pursuant to the provisions of said Section 3498 of the Political Code, and this notice is mailed to you in accordance with the provisions of said section.

You are further notified that if you fail to so appear and submit yourself for examination, as required by said section and by law, your said application will become null and void.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL the day  
and year first above specified.

W. S. Kingsbury,

Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office

By *Bruce L. Dray*  
Deputy.

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May  
Twenty-seventh,  
1924

Mr. W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General and ex-officio  
Register of the State Land Office,  
Sacramento, California.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of May 7th, 1924, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 3498 of the Political Code, said hearing was held before me in my office, 916 Eighth Street, San Diego, California, this 27th day of May, 1924, Mr. Ed Fletcher appearing who under oath answered the questions relative to lands embraced in Application No. 9078, Los Angeles Land District, and which are transmitted herewith.

Yours very truly,

*Lou B. Mathews*

Notary Public in and for the  
County of San Diego, State of  
California.

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W. S. KINGSBURY  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

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P. O. BOX 899

June 24, 1924.

Mr. Ed. Fletcher,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Your Application No. 9078 Los Angeles  
Land District, has this day been approved by  
this office, and upon receipt of the fee of \$3.00,  
a certificate of purchase will be issued for the  
lands described therein and forwarded to you.

Yours respectfully,

W. S. KINGSBURY,  
Surveyor General and ex officio

Register of the State Land Office.

By

Deputy.

*ABP*  
*Bruce L. Dray*  
*Ed Fletcher*

June 26, 1924.

Mr. W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General and ex Officio  
Register of the State Land Office,  
Sacramento, California.

My dear Mr. Kingsbury:

Answering your letter of June 24,  
re my application No. 9078, enclosed find check for  
\$3.00 as requested, upon receipt of which there will  
be issued to me a certificate of purchase.

Yours very truly,

KLM



COPY

June 30, 1924.

Mr. E. B. Wickham,  
801 Lane Mortgage Building,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

I herewith transmit order for publication of notice of selection of the land embraced in State Selection No. 9150, Los Angeles Land District, Serial 037332, of Ed Fletcher, which please have published, at the applicant's expense, for five weeks in each consecutive issue of the "Ramona Sentinel", published at Ramona, California, and at the expiration of the required five weeks' period of publication, please obtain an affidavit of publication from the publisher and transmit the same to this office.

In said State Selection the State offered to the United States the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 36, T. 16 N., R. 6 E., H. M., (described in Indemnity Certificate of Location No. 2679, sold to Ed Fletcher June 23, 1924) in exchange for United States land applied for in Application No. 9150, Los Angeles Land District, of Ed Fletcher, and the United States requires a certificate of the Recorder of the County in which the land offered is situated, showing that the title to the land offered is clear. Therefore, I enclose certificate of the Surveyor General showing the non-encumbrance of the land offered, and form for certificate of the Recorder of Siskiyou County, in which has been written a description of the land offered to the United States, which please transmit to the Recorder for her certification.

The certificate of the Surveyor General should also be transmitted to the Recorder in order that she may know that the State has not encumbered the land offered, which will assist her in making her certificate. When you receive the certificate from the Recorder, please transmit the same to this office.

The Recorder will charge you a fee for her services, the amount thereof to be ascertained from the Recorder.

The rules of the General Land Office require the filing of the affidavit of publication of the notice of selection and of the certificate of the County Recorder within ninety days of June 30, 1924.

Yours respectfully,

W. S. KINGSBURY

Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

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CHAPTER 721.

*An act to amend section 3498 of the Political Code, relating to approval of applications for state lands.*

(Approved May 1, 1911; Stats. 1911, p. 1400.)

*The people of the State of California, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 3498 of the Political Code is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

3498. All applications, under whatsoever act, filed in the office of the surveyor general, must be retained ninety days before approval. Before approval by the surveyor general, the applicant must appear before him in person, or before a deputy surveyor general, or before some person authorized to administer oaths, and designated by the surveyor general, at such time and place as he may fix, and answer, under oath, such interrogatories as may be put to him regarding his application, or the truth of the same, or any fact or circumstance connected therewith, and shall furnish such other or further evidence thereof as may be required by the surveyor general. The surveyor general shall mail to each applicant, addressed to the said applicant at the address given in the application, a letter or notice specifying the time and place of such hearing, which letter or notice shall be mailed at least ten days before such hearing. If it shall appear to the surveyor general that the application is made in good faith, and that all the facts stated in the application are true, and that the land applied for is subject to sale, he shall approve the application, otherwise he shall disapprove the same. All unapproved applications which have been on file over six months, wherein the applicant has not, before the expiration of said time, submitted himself for examination as above provided, and wherein proof has not been furnished as required by the surveyor general, or wherein a contest has not been referred to court or a demand made for an order of reference, as provided in section three thousand four hundred fourteen of the Political Code, shall be null and void; *provided, however,* that where applications are filed subject to the rights of a previous applicant, such subsequent applications shall not be approved until the rights of the first applicant shall have expired. No application shall be approved which describes land situated in more than one county, or land situated in



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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

P. O. BOX 599

June 30, 1924.

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
916 8th Street,  
San Diego, California.

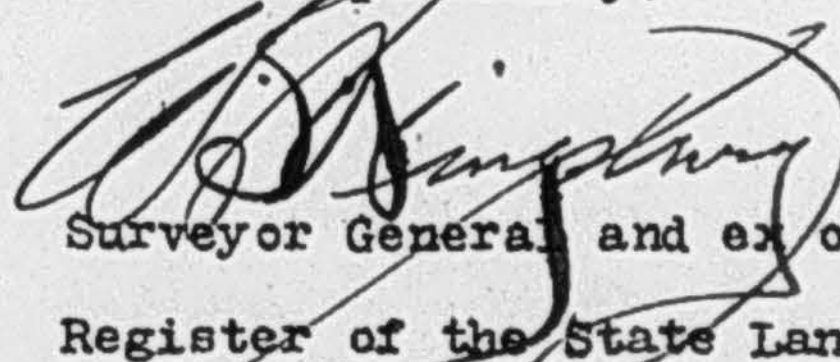
Dear Sir:

Referring to your application 9150, Los Angeles Land District, I beg to advise you that the approval thereof will be governed by the provisions of Section 3498 of the Political Code, copy enclosed.

The hearing can be held in this office on any day convenient to you, except Saturdays and holidays, if you will advise me of the day at least fifteen days prior thereto. There will be no expense attached, if the hearing is held in this office.

Should you desire to have the testimony taken nearer your home, I will designate any one suggested by you, who is authorized to administer oaths, to take the testimony, if he will advise this office that he will act without cost to the State. I must be advised of the day upon which the testimony will be taken at least fifteen days prior thereto.

Yours respectfully,

  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office

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more than one United States land district. No application shall be approved by the surveyor general for any sixteenth or thirty-sixth section of school land belonging to the state which is situated within the exterior boundaries of a military, Indian or forest reservation created by authority of the United States, or of a national forest, national park or national monument, or within the exterior boundaries of lands withdrawn from public entry for forest purposes, or for swamp and overflowed land until the swamp and overflowed land is segregated by authority of the United States. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as a recognition that prior to the passage hereof, the said sixteenth or thirty-sixth sections, last above referred to, were offered for sale, or that applications therefor were to be approved or were subject to approval. The applicants in all applications filed but not approved, prior to the passage hereof, shall be allowed six months from the passage hereof within which to secure approvals under the provisions hereof.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.



July 8, 1924.

Hon. W. S. Kingsbury,  
State Surveyor General,  
Sacramento, California.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that I will take the final proof testimony in the case of State Selection 9150, Los Angeles Serial 037332, Ed Fletcher applicant, without cost to the State of California.

If there is no objection on your part I suggest that said proof be taken on the 6th day of August, 1924 at my office at 916-8th Street, San Diego, California.

Yours very truly,

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W. S. KINGSBURY  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

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P. O. BOX 599

July 17, 1924.

Mr. Benjamin H. Taylor,  
3174-B-Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Your Application No. 9088 Los Angeles Land District, has this day been approved by this office, and upon receipt of the fee of \$3.00, a certificate of purchase will be issued for the land described therein and forwarded to you.

Yours respectfully,

*W. S. Kingsbury*  
Surveyor General and ex officio

Register of the State Land Office.

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P. O. BOX 599

July 18, 1924

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
916 8th Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

As the applicant for the lands embraced in Application No. 9150, Los Angeles Land District, which was filed in the office of the Surveyor General on the 23rd day of June, 1924, and pursuant to the provisions of Section 3498 of the Political Code, you are hereby notified that I have this day designated Lou B. Mathews, a notary public, who is authorized to administer oaths, as the person or official before whom you are to appear and answer, under oath, at the time hereinafter specified, such interrogatories as may be put to you regarding your application, or the truth of the same, or any fact or circumstance connected therewith.

You are further notified that the said hearing will be held before the said Lou B. Mathews, on Wednesday, the 6th day of August, 1924, at his office, 916-8th Street, San Diego, California, pursuant to the provisions of said Section 3498 of the Political Code, and this notice is mailed to you in accordance with the provisions of said section.

You are further notified that if you fail to so appear and submit yourself for examination, as required by said section and by law, your said application will become null and void.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL the day  
and year first above specified.

W. S. KINGSBURY,

Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

By

*Bruce L. Dray*  
Deputy.

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3174 B Street,  
San Diego, Calif.

July 24, 1924.

Mr. W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General,  
Sacramento, California.

My dear Mr. Kingsbury:

Answering your letter of July 17th, enclosed  
find money order for \$3.00 to pay the fee required.  
Kindly send certificate of purchase at your convenience.

Thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,

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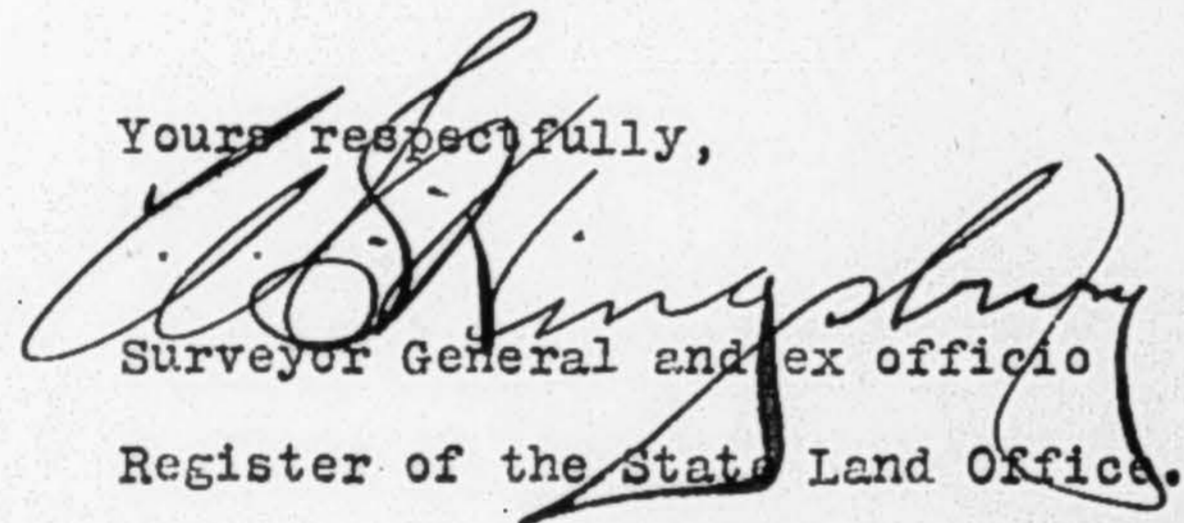
July 26, 1924.

Mr. Benjamin H. Taylor,  
3174-B-Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing Certificate of Purchase No.  
735 issued in your name for the land described in  
your Location 9088 Los Angeles Land District, and I  
hereby acknowledge receipt of the fee of \$3.00  
therefor.

Yours respectfully,

  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

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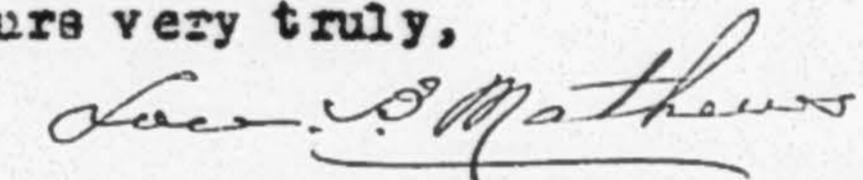
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Mr. W. S. Kingsbury,  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.  
Sacramento,  
California.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of  
July 18th, 1924, and pursuant to the provisions of  
Section 3498 of the Political Code, said hearing  
was held before me in my office, 916 Eighth Street,  
San Diego, California, this sixth day of August,  
1924, Mr. Ed Fletcher appearing, who, under oath,  
answered the questions relative to lands embraced  
in Application No. 9150, Los Angeles Land District,  
and which are transmitted herewith.

Yours very truly,



Notary Public in and for  
the County of San Diego,  
State of California.

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My Commission expires  
December 7th 1925



W. S. KINGSBURY  
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August 15, 1924

Mr. C. L. May,  
3526 Park Boulevard,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

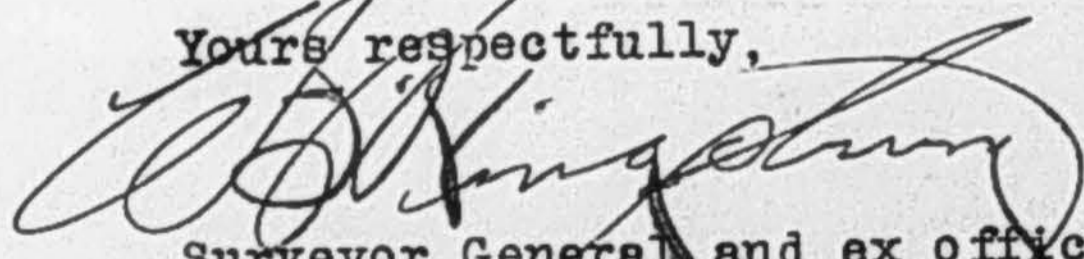
Referring to your letter of August 8, 1924, I beg to advise you that for information as to whether the S $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 14, and NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 23, T. 11 S., R. 2 E., S. B. M., which contain 20 acres, are subject to selection by the State, or can be purchased under the Timber and Stone Act, or any other act, you are respectfully referred to the United States Land Office at Los Angeles.

If said lands are subject to selection by the State, and you desire to purchase the lands with State scrip, it will be necessary for you to file an application for the lands in this office. Your application must be accompanied with a non-mineral affidavit covering the lands, the \$5.00 filing fee of this office, the United States Land Office fees of \$2.00, and \$780.00 to cover the cost of 120 acres of State scrip at \$6.50 per acre.

I am enclosing form for application to purchase lieu (scrip) lands and form for non-mineral affidavit.

The date of the examination of the lands to be inserted in the non-mineral affidavit must be within ninety days of the date that your application will be received in this office.

Yours respectfully,

  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office

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P. O. BOX 599

# APPLICATION TO PURCHASE LIEU LANDS UNSUITABLE FOR CULTIVATION

LOCATION No. .... LAND DISTRICT .....

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF .....

To the State Surveyor General, Sacramento:

I, ....., of ..... County,  
do hereby apply to purchase the land hereinafter described, and in support of my application I do solemnly swear that I am ....., a citizen of the United States, a resident of this State, of lawful age. That I desire to purchase from the State of California under provisions of title eight of the Political Code, the following described land in ..... County, to wit: .....

THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO A RESERVATION TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA OF ONE-SIXTEENTH OF ALL COAL, OIL, GAS, AND OTHER MINERAL DEPOSITS IN THE LAND HEREIN APPLIED FOR. SEC. 2, CHAP. 303, STAT. OF CAL. 1921.

containing ..... acres.

That there is no occupation of said land adverse to any that I have (a) .....

That I have made a personal examination of each and every legal subdivision of said land. ....

That I desire to purchase the same for my own use and benefit, and for the use or benefit of no other person or persons whomsoever, and that I have made no contract or agreement to sell the same. ....

That said land is not suitable for cultivation; that I have not entered any portion of any lands mentioned in section three thousand four hundred and ninety-four of the Political Code (to wit, the unsold portion of the five hundred thousand acres granted to the State for school purposes, the sixteenth and thirty-sixth sections and the lands selected in lieu thereof) which, together with that now sought to be purchased, exceeds 640 acres.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ..... day of ....., 192..... }  
Post-Office Address ..... County

(a) If there is an adverse occupation, then the affidavit must show that the township has been sectionized three months, and that the adverse occupant (giving his name) has been in such occupation for more than sixty days since the plat was filed in the United States Land Office. (Section 3495, Political Code.)  
NOTE.—If any portion of the land applied for is not open to entry, the Surveyor General shall file the application for such portion as may be open to entry, eliminating from the application such land as may not be open to entry. (Section 3495, Political Code.)  
Any false statement contained in the affidavit provided for in section 3495, defeats the right of the applicant to purchase the land, or to receive any evidence of title thereto, and if wilfully false, subjects him also to punishment for perjury. Timber lands belonging to this State shall be sold for cash only; and the Surveyor General and Register of the State Land Office must make and enforce all necessary rules and regulations to prevent the sale of, or issuance of any evidence of title to, any timber land of the State, except on payment in cash of the full price fixed therefor by law. (Section 3500, Political Code.)  
All applications, under whatsoever act, filed in the office of the Surveyor General, must be retained ninety days before approval, and must be approved (when there is no conflict) by the Surveyor General, at the expiration of six months; subject, however, to the provisions of sections 3406, 3407 and 3498 of the Political Code.  
No application shall be approved which describes land situated in more than one county or land situated in more than one United States land district. (Section 3498, Political Code.)

EACH APPLICATION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED WITH A FILING FEE OF \$5.00.

READ YOUR APPLICATION CAREFULLY



APPLICATION FOR LAND

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the files of the Surveyor General's Office at the City of San Francisco, California, this 19th day of May, 1922.

Surveyor General

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the files of the Surveyor General's Office at the City of San Francisco, California, this 19th day of May, 1922.

Application No. ....

..... Land District

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..... Surveyor General

..... By .....

..... Approved ..... 1922

..... Surveyor General

..... By .....

..... Deputy

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

APPLICATION FOR LAND



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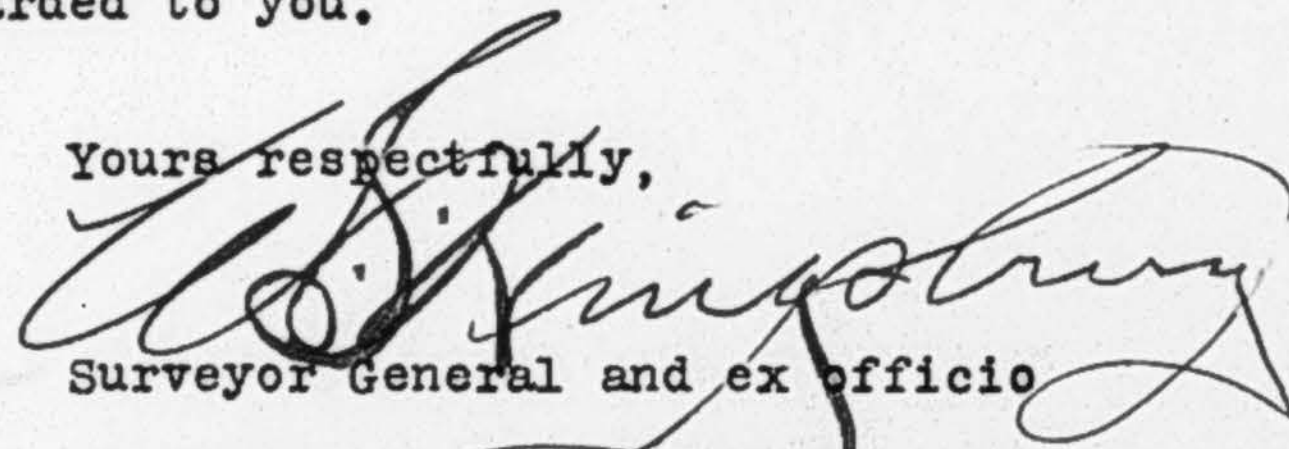
September 23, 1924.

Mr. Ed. Fletcher,  
916 Eighth Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Your Application No. 9150 Los Angeles Land District, has this day been approved by this office, and upon receipt of the fee of \$3.00, a certificate of purchase will be issued for the land described therein and forwarded to you.

Yours respectfully,



Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

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September 30, 1924.

Application No. 9150  
Los Angeles Land District

Mr. W. S. Kingsbury, Surveyor General,  
State of California,  
Sacramento, California.

My dear Mr. Kingsbury:

Answering your letter of September 23d, enclosed find check for \$3.00, re Application No. 9150, for which please send me certificate of purchase.

Yours very truly,

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W. S. KINGSBURY  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
BRUCE L. DRAY  
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P. BOX 599

OFFICE OF  
SURVEYOR GENERAL  
AND  
REGISTER STATE LAND OFFICE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SACRAMENTO

October 4, 1924.

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
920 Eighth Street,  
San Diego, California.

My dear Mr. Fletcher:

I am enclosing Certificate of Purchase  
No. 765 issued in your name for the land described in your  
Location No. 9150 Los Angeles Land District, and I hereby  
acknowledge receipt of the fee of \$3.00 therefor.

Yours respectfully,

*W. S. Kingsbury*  
Surveyor General and ex officio  
Register of the State Land Office.

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**General Correspondence - Kingsbury, W.S.**



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