

March Twelfth,
1929

Mr. Frederick S. Sherman,
Coronado,
California.

Dear Mr. Sherman:

Enclosed find copy of letter that I have received from Mr. Hornbeck that is explanatory.

The collection of guns is about to be sold to Los Angeles. Mr. Hornbeck is particularly anxious to get these guns for his collection and give them to the City of San Diego.

I have no interest in the matter except to see the collection preserved for San Diego.

It will cost Mr. Hornbeck \$500 or \$600 to put the collection in shape and in addition he will give some of his own money. I am willing to subscribe \$100. We will need about \$1,000.

If you are interested, will you please send a check, either payable to Mr. Louis Smith, or to myself, and we will try and save this collection for San Diego.

Yours truly,

EF:AK

708 A AVENUE
CORONADO, CALIFORNIA

March 13/29

Mr. Ed Fletcher
San Diego.

Dear Mr. Fletcher,

In response to your favor of the 12th I enclose check \$500 & hope that the collection referred to may be saved for San Diego.

Yours sincerely
F. S. Sherman

April 6th, 1929.

Mr. F. A. Sherman
708 A Avenue
Coronado, California.

My dear Mr. Sherman:

I thank you for your letter of the 13th and check for \$25.00.

My man refused to sell the guns alone, but wanted us to buy everything, involving several thousand dollars. This I have refused to do and I am returning your check.

We will have to abide our time and patience. I thank you for the check and the spirit that prompted it.

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

EF:GMF
Encl.

October 23d, 1929.

Mr. F. S. Sherman,
708 A Street,
Coronado, California.

My dear Mr. Sherman:

We are having a struggle this year to put over our community chest campaign. It is true it is the largest in our history, but when such men as Mr. Raber of the Gas Company, Mr. Marston and others say we must have it I have blandly followed their lead after the budget committee of business men spent nearly two weeks working on the budget, and I respect their judgment.

Conditions have been harder this year than last. The business houses cut down fifty percent on account of chain store competition and we could not get at the chain stores for the subscription they should give. But another year we will plan differently and start earlier in the campaign.

If you could see your way clear to give us an additional subscription it would help us out. That is the only way we are going to make up the deficit. The Coronado people, including yourself, have certainly been most generous. Colonel Copley has increased his subscription \$1,000. General Terry, Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Dupee each gave \$1,000. Miss Seaman \$3500. Marston gave \$12,000 and increased their subscription \$500. Miss Scripps gave \$5,000 and increased hers \$1,000. The Gas Company gave \$7200.00 and increased its subscription \$300, and so on down the line. Even the banks increased their subscription \$3,000, making a total of \$18,000 this year from the banks.

We have greater need for money this year than ever before, to carry on this wonderful work. Our campaign expenses covering everything are less than five percent, and we do not want to fail to go over the top. I am sure you do not want to see thirty-one independent drives, such as they are having in some cities.

The remarkable thing is that between 20,000 and 25,000 people are giving, and over 5,000 volunteer workers were the solicitors - no paid employees to solicit funds.

Anything you can give for the good of the cause will be appreciated. You may also know of some others that you can help us to secure funds from. We are trying to close this campaign by Saturday. If you can do anything would you kindly telephone me on receipt of this.

In closing will say I do appreciate your contribution already made, but this is an exceptional year when we are hard up to go over the top.

With kind personal regards to you and yours, I am

Sincerely your friend,

EF:KLM

October Twenty-sixth,
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Mr. F. S. Sherman,
708 A Avenue,
Coronado, Calif.

My dear Mr. Sherman:

I appreciate your check for \$25 and do appreciate what you have done for the Chest. It has been a terrific struggle but we are going over the top today, I hope.

My work will soon be forgotten but I will always have the happiness in my heart for the sacrifices that I have made in the interest of a common ideal and service.

Very few know the sacrifices I have made but writing you as one of the family, so to speak, I can truthfully say that I have never made a greater sacrifice to San Diego. On the other hand, never in my life did I ever have such wonderful support and it is only through the marvelous inspiration and perseverance of the workers that has given this success.

We did enjoy Sam and Mary over at the house the other night. They are a couple of very interesting children and I know you must be mighty proud of the grandchildren.

With kindest regards and thanking you again for the additional subscription which has come in at a critical moment, I am

Sincerely yours,

EF:AK
P.S.

We are going over the top today although the fact is we wont go over the top for two or three months as we are counting on some outside subscriptions that should come in but have not as yet.

E.F.

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