

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company.

COAST LINES.

A. G. WELLS,  
General Manager.  
W. H. BREWER,  
Asst. to General Manager,  
Los Angeles, Cal.

August eighth, 1912.

File 4631.

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Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
1548 "D" Street,  
San Diego, Cal.

Dear Sir:

I have yours of August seventh. I think you are a little enthusiastic when you say that the five thousand acres of land which might be assigned to us on the Warner ranch at \$25 to \$30 per acre would be worth \$150 to \$200 per acre net after a railroad was built there. If you will make me a definite proposition I will take the matter under advisement and let you know as soon as possible, and of course I will have to confer with our people in Chicago, whether we desire to make a trade or otherwise.

I would also like to know, as you imply, approximately how many tons of material would be transported over the railroad for use in constructing the dam which Mr. Henshaw is proposing on the Warner ranch, how far he has got along with that project, and how much land would lie under the dam when completed; and I would also like your ideas on the business that might be developed from that

Mr. Fletcher.

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section if and when a railroad were built to serve it.

Yours truly,



General Manager.

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August twentieth, 1912.

File 46931.

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
1548 "D" Street,  
San Diego, Cal.

Dear Sir:

I have yours of the seventeenth instant and am not yet prepared to say whether I would be willing to recommend the purchase of any portion of the acreage of the Warner ranch, or the building of a railroad up there. I cannot make up my mind about this until a full investigation shall have been made. When I receive the information asked for in mine of August eighth to you a start will have been made.

Yours truly,



General Manager.

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The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company  
COAST LINES *Coast*

G. W. HARRIS,  
Chief Engineer.

COAST LINES  
747 Kerckhoff Building.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 11, 1917.

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
Fletcher Building,  
San Diego, Calif.

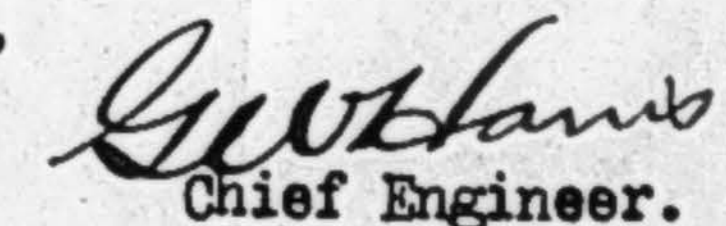
Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 9th in regard to core drilling at Carroll Dam site.

The drilling should commence at the 315-ft contour on center line of the dam in the spillway and holes put down at intervals from 25 to 30-ft from that point southerly across the canyon and up to the 315-ft contour on the opposite side. Then the rig should be moved back to the spillway and holes put down across the spillway not more than 25-ft apart; this arrangement being desirable in that it will permit the contractor to proceed with excavation of the spillway immediately, and there will be that much less drilling to do in the spillway, as it will probably be down grade by that time.

As to the depth of the holes, that would depend largely on the material encountered, but I should say they ought to be at least 25-ft, if in good material all the way. Then when the foundations are down to what is considered a satisfactory depth, I would be very glad to visit the site and express my views as to the sufficiency of same.

Yours truly,



Chief Engineer.

cc- OEF

# The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway System.

COAST LINES

E. W. CAMP,  
Attorney for Coast Lines.  
U. T. CLOTFELTER,  
Solicitor for California and Nevada.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

M. W. REED, Los Angeles.  
PAUL BURKS, Los Angeles.  
ROBERT BRENNAN, Los Angeles.  
HORACE D. PILLSBURY, San Francisco,  
Assistant Attorneys.

In reply refer to No. 020.

San Dieguito Mutual Water Company.

Los Angeles,  
January 21, 1918.

Mr. Ed Fletcher,  
San Diego,  
California.

Dear Sir:-

To comply with your request, I have prepared and enclose herewith the form of an affidavit to be made by Mr. Ellis of your office and whoever else served notice on persons unlawfully diverting waters from the San Pasqual River in violation of the rights of the San Dieguito Mutual Water Company.

Yours very truly,

MWR-B.

Enc.  
cc-OEF.

P.S. You will need to make a copy of the notice and attach the same to the affidavit.

M.W.R.



(Form 1607 Standard)

UNITED STATES RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION  
DIRECTOR GENERAL OF RAILROADS

Santa Fe

San Diego, Calif., June 25th 1920

K-221

Henshaw-Fletcher Co.,  
924 8th St.,  
San Diego.

Gentlemen:-

I am attaching hereto preliminary pipe line license covering proposed water line to be installed across our right of way and tracks at mile post 247 plus 1300 feet near Haba, for execution and return to me after which you will be permitted to install the crossing.

Kindly advise if you are a Corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of California or a co-partnership.

If a Corporation, license should be executed by the President and Secretary thereof and should bear the corporate seal of the Corporation, but if a co-partnership, same should be executed by each of the partners.

The consideration you will note is \$ 468.25 which is the estimated expense to this company of supporting track etc., and you will of course be billed for actual expense to this company.

Your immediate attention will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

J.H. Bauman, Agent

*Handwritten:* C I h... @ 80 ft in  
125 ft in front



THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY  
Freight Traffic Department  
348 Kerckhoff Bldg., Sixth & Main St.s  
Los Angeles, 1/29/21.

Data on Lemons, etc.

Col. Ed Fletcher,  
San Diego.

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

Mr. Hayden has referred your letter of January 19th to me, and I will try to give you below the required information, although not in exactly the form you have requested for obvious reasons.

The University of California, in their Circular 210, issued March, 1919, subject "Suggestions to Settlers in California", gives the following data on lemons:

	<u>Boxes</u>
Average production per acre,	175
Safe estimate for business purposes,	250
A good yield,	350
A not infrequent yield	450
A maximum yield,	600

In "The Citrograph" for February, 1921, on page 135 there is a statement reading as follows:

"Lemon growers are divided into two classes, real sure-enough lemon growers and more dubs. The real sure-enough lemon grower is one who produces 300 to 500 packed boxes per acre annually. The dub is one who produces less. Most of us are dubs."

Figures vary as widely on vegetables as on lemons, and there are various and sundry reasons for the variation, such as the character of the soil, the available water supply, ability and energy of the farmer, weather and other reasons. The following figures, however, are representative:

Lettuce, 300 crates at 45 lbs. each,  
Cantaloupes, 180 crates at 68 lbs. each,  
Potatoes, 150 to 200 sacks at 115 lbs. each,  
Cabbage, 10 to 15 tons,  
Cauliflower, 200 pony crates at 42 lbs. each,  
Onions, 250 sacks at 100 lbs. each,  
Tomatoes, 120 lugs at 38 lbs. each,  
Peas, 50 drums at 40 lbs. each.

This, of course, all based on one crop and if two crops are produced, the figures will vary accordingly. Lemons ordinarily load 392 boxes to the car. The minimum on vegetables varies somewhat, but for estimation purposes may be figured at 24,000 lbs.

Yours truly,

H.P. ANEWALT,  
General Freight Agent.

## The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company

OFFICE OF THE EARTH

J. F. JARRILL,  
Editor

Devoted to  
The Santa Fe States

280-12  
Topeka, Kansas,  
August 7,  
1922.

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

Dear Colonel Fletcher:

I am glad you liked The Earth with the story about the San Dieguito project. I sent you a hundred copies of the paper after receiving your letter of July 26th. There has been an unusually heavy demand for copies of this issue, and the supply is almost exhausted. It will not be necessary to send a copy of this paper to inquirers who have obtained their information from reading The Earth. The copies you have, I imagine, should go to inquirers who have heard about the project from other sources.

I have recommended to Mr. Hodges that we make a reprint of the story, adding to it such further information about the detail of the sale as should be given to fully inform the inquirers.

We have received a number of inquiries here, and I have forwarded them to Mr. Hodges, who will pass them on to you. By Mr. Hodges' instruction all future inquiries which come to this office will be sent to you.

Yours truly,

J. F. Jarrell

# The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company

(COAST LINES)

## TREASURY DEPARTMENT

C. W. JONES,  
Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer

A. O. APPERL,  
Deputy Assistant Treasurer

Los Angeles, California

W. H. HERMAN,  
Cashier

H. B. COLEY,  
Paymaster

May 2, 1924

Edward Fletcher Company,  
San Diego, California.

Gentlemen:

Our Auditor has furnished me with a statement of certain old unpaid bills, among which I find Bill No 8812-V against yourselves for \$1136.72 covering the cost of installing an automatic flagman at Solano Beach.

If you are in a position to favor me with a remittance covering this bill it would be very much appreciated as the account is becoming quite old and it becomes necessary to report the same to our Chicago office if not paid before the tenth of the month.

In the event you are able to favor me in respect to the above it would be appreciated if the remittance could be received early next week.

Yours truly,

*L B Jones*  
Assistant Treasurer.

A-D  
cc-- L B Jones

Form 616 Regular

Bill Audit No. 8812 V  
(Quote when remitting)

Month's Account \_\_\_\_\_

Transp'n. Dept. No. L-16369

Date Made Dec. 15, 1923 10

Mr. E. Fletcher,

Spreckles Bldg San Diego, Cal.



To The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company, Dr.

COAST LINES

For actual cost installing automatic flagman at Plaza Street, Solano Beach, Calif., in accordance with Railroad Commission's Decision, 12033.

Actual Cost

\$1136.72

Duplicate attached.

DISTRIBUTION					
STATE	DIV.	ACCOUNT	CLASS	SUB ACC'T	AMOUNT

Make Remittance to G. HOLTERHOFF, Jr.,  
Asst. Treasurer, The A. T. & S. F. Ry. Co.,  
Coast Lines  
Los Angeles, Cal.

For further information address, L. B. JONES,  
Auditor, The A. T. & S. F. Ry. Co., Coast Lines  
Los Angeles, Cal.

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The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company

(COAST LINES)

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Paymaster

May 28, 1924

Edward Fletcher Company,  
San Diego, California.

Gentlemen:

Under date of May 2nd I wrote you relative to unpaid bill 8812-V against yourselves for \$1136.72 covering cost of installing automatic flagman at Solano Beach. Up to the present time my letter has not been answered, nor do I locate remittance to cover. Will you please favor me with an early reply.

Yours truly,

*C. W. Jones*  
Assistant Treasurer.

A-D  
cc-- IBJ

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company—Coast Lines

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

C. G. Fluhry  
Superintendent,  
San Bernardino, Cal.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

April 2d, 1934  
File 7964

Ed Fletcher Co.,  
1020 Ninth Ave.,  
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of Jan. 29th advising that deed covering small triangular piece of property in front of your warehouse along our wye track at Del Mar is satisfactory.

I am now sending you deed in favor of the Grossmont Park Company quit-claiming title to this parcel of land. When you have had the instrument recorded will you kindly give me recorder's filing reference.

Yours truly,

*C. G. Fluhry*

Recorded  
4/18/34  
B. 290  
B. 132 of Official Records.

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway System

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Railway Exchange, 80 East Jackson Boulevard, Chicago 4

R. G. RYDIN  
Vice President

April 20, 1953

Colonel Ed Fletcher  
Ed Fletcher Company  
1020 Ninth Avenue  
San Diego 1, California

My dear Colonel:

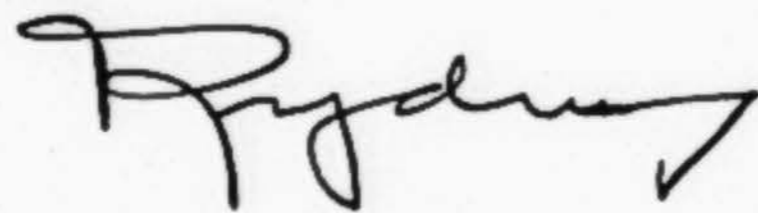
I appreciate very much the kind invitation conveyed by your letter of April 14th, and maybe one of these days I shall be in position to take advantage of it.

I have pleasant memories of one excursion which I made with you years ago on Lake Hodges, with Mr. Storey, Dr. Pritchett, Mr. Hodges, and Mr. Hibbard.

The other matter to which you called attention is already in process of handling and you should be getting our decision presently.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,



Col. Ed: In closing I am sure that you will plan for collection of assessments. Having you and some other in mind I am submitting the following to Schram for his approval.  
RGR


PROPOSED PLAN OF COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS.

Delinquent assessments not voluntarily paid by the land owner can be enforced by the District only in the method authorized by the law governing Irrigation Districts as set forth in Sections 42 to 49 inclusive of the Irrigation District Act.

Section 41-a of said Act purports to authorize an alternative method of bringing suit against the delinquent to enforce payment, but in view of the decision of the Supreme Court of the State of California in ATCHISON, TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY vs. RECLAMATION DISTRICT, 173 Cal. 91; 159 Pac. 430, it is doubtful if such method is available.

The authorized procedure for enforcement of delinquent assessments is to take a deed to the property when the assessment has been delinquent three (3) years. Upon taking such deed, it is proposed to attempt to sell and convey the title acquired under the District's tax deed, which sale would be subject to the outstanding lien for delinquent County taxes, and in those cases where the property covered by the District's tax deed was situated in a municipality, the District's title would be subject also to any lien in favor of such municipality for delinquent city taxes. Should the District be unable to find a purchaser for its title so acquired under tax deed delivered to it subject to existing liens in favor of the county or municipality, or both, but has a purchaser willing to purchase the property in the event the county or municipal taxes can be cleared, the officials of the District may, if in their judgment it appears advantageous so to do, and the county and municipal liens have merged in a deed, proceed under the provisions of Section 3697-d of the Political Code (1933 Supplement Deering's Codes of California, page 514), which authorizes the making of an

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1 agreement with taxing agencies to whom tax deeds have been issued  
2 for the delinquent taxes owing to such agencies, but such agree-  
3 ment would have to be approved by the Board of Supervisors of the  
4 County in which the land is situated and also approved by the  
5 State Controller. The concluding paragraph of said section reads  
6 as follows:

"In case any property has been deeded to two  
or more public agencies, pursuant to sales for  
delinquent taxes and/or assessments, any one or  
more of the public agencies holding title to said  
property may sell and convey or agree to sell and  
convey its or their interest therein, or in any  
part thereof, to any other public agency or public  
agencies holding any interest therein, for such  
price and on such terms as they may agree upon,  
and any such public agency is hereby expressly  
authorized to purchase the interest of any other  
public agency in such property, or to unite with  
any other public agency in the purchase thereof,  
whether said property has been deeded to the State  
or not."

15 It is not proposed to make use of the provisions of the  
16 above referred to Political Code section, however, except in those  
17 cases where the District had an immediate sale for the property  
18 affected by outstanding deeds in favor of the county or municipality,  
19 or both.

20 Unless required by the Chief of the Drainage, Levee and  
21 Irrigation Division of the RFC, it is not now contemplated that the  
22 District will have tax deeds delivered to it by its Tax Collector  
23 in any case where, in the opinion of the Board of Directors of the  
24 Irrigation District, the delinquent property owner may reasonably  
25 be expected to redeem his property within a reasonable time. By  
26 withholding the taking of a deed, the property would remain upon  
27 the assessment roll and would continue to be assessed, whereas  
28 upon taking a deed, the property would thereafter be taken from  
29 the assessment roll and would not thereafter be assessed until the  
30 District had made a sale of the property to an individual owner.

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1 Section 47 of the California Irrigation District Act  
2 provides:

3 "A redemption of the property sold may be  
4 made within three years from date of purchase  
5 (sale on 1st delinquency) or at any time there-  
6 after before a deed has been made and delivered\*\*  
7 \*\*\*\*\* If the property is not redeemed within the  
8 time herein provided, the Collector or his success-  
9 or in office, upon demand, must make to the purchaser,  
10 or his assignee, a deed to the property\*\*\*\*\*"

11 The directors of the district propose to cause a careful  
12 survey and investigation to be made respecting all property 3 years  
13 delinquent and in all cases where property owners appear to be mak-  
14 ing, in good faith, efforts to redeem, the rights, interests and  
15 equities of such owners will be given due regard and as to such  
16 owners the right of redemption will not be terminated by "demand"  
17 for a tax deed. In view of the substantial annual income from  
18 sale of water which has been pledged to secure the Government's  
19 loans, the directors are of the opinion that no drastic or hasty  
20 action should be taken against delinquent assessment payers except  
21 in those cases where the facts and circumstances would seem to  
22 warrant such action.



**Ed Fletcher Papers**

**1870-1955**

**MSS.81**

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**General Correspondence - Atchison,  
Topeka and Santa Fe Railway**



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