

February 25th,
1929

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E. L. Coxon
Mr. Louis H. Smith,
~~La Mesa,~~
California.

Friend Louis:

I want you to understand that I prize your collection out there so highly that I am glad to do what I can to see that it gets in the hands of the public and definitely agree to use every effort at my command to sell the whole outfit for you so that it will be cleaned up within twelve months from date.

The 10% commission I will give to Steven.

I am willing to give my time, use of my machine and my ability free to clean this matter up for you.

I would like to see the guns go to Mr. Hornbeck. He has agreed to donate them to the city after putting them in condition. He will donate \$400 towards the cost of the guns. If we can agree on the price of the gun collection I will donate money myself and will undertake to raise the rest of the money through my friends so that Mr. Hornbeck will get the benefit.

If we get the guns out of the way it will give you room to more properly display the rest of your material and in a few weeks I will bring several parties out there that I believe will be interested, each of them, in some particular line of your collection.

Let me know what you will take for your gun collection under the conditions above stated.

It goes without saying that you also are making a donation to the public and I shall see that due notice is given through the press and through the official organization in the park for the services

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that you are rendering by making such a low price as you have on your entire collection.

If your material was going to a private individual for profit I would not be interested at all in this proposition but I do want to see the city acquire your collection of guns.

Sincerely yours,

EF:AK

February 28th, 1929.

Mr. Louis H. Smith
El Cajon, California.

Friend Smith:

Answering yours of the 27th I haven't a nickel to put into anything now, but to keep it from going to Los Angeles, I might consider giving you 7% real estate contracts which I guarantee to pay you in lieu of cash and providing we could leave the collection there a reasonable length of time.

Would you consider something along these lines?

Sincerely your friend,

EF:GHT

March sixth, 1929.

Mr. Louis Smith
El Cajon, California.

My dear Smith:

I am working on your proposition and hope in a few days to do something. Please hold the matter in abeyance for ten days or two weeks, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

EF:GMP

P.O.Box 320, El Cajon,
San Diego Co, Calif.
March 7th, 1929.

Friend Mr. Fletcher:

Am in receipt of yours of March 6th, 1929. I may be called North any day between now and the 17th, and in which case I could not definitely devote any attention to the collection prior to that date. After the 18th I expect to be located here on the premice each day of the remainder of the two weeks period of which you request. In any event your request of the two weeks holding period is granted from the date of this letter. Hoping this may meet with your approval.

I Am Your Friend,

Louis H. Smith.

P.O.Box 320, El Cajon,
Calif, April 10th, 1929.

Dear Mr. Fletcher.

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your checks in the sum of \$2090.00 as being principle and interest in full to April 9th, 1929 on the eighty acres you purchased from me. Total balance left per above deal \$1000.00.

Yours Truly,

Louis H. Smith, Jr.

April Eighth,
1929

Mr. Lewis H. Smith,
El Cajon,
California.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed please find check for \$2,000 on the principal and \$90 interest due April ninth on our purchase of your El Cajon property.

Will you kindly acknowledge receipt of same, and oblige.

Yours truly,

P-S-

When the first installment of taxes came due on the eighty acres that you bought from me we discovered that the whole 160 acres was taxed under one bill, so that I gave Miss May Fletcher my check to cover my one half of the first installment on the 160 acres. As the second installment on said 160 acres will soon come due, and as the amount has slipped my mind, and since you have the original tax bill, if you will please inform me the amount of my half, I will send you my check to cover same so that you can pay the balance of the second installment whenever same comes due.

After some difficulty I succeeded in getting the 160 original tract split up into two separate ownerships on the tax books and I am informed that our respective parcels will be taxed separately next year.

EF:AK

April Eleventh,

Mr. Louis H. Smith, Jr.,
P. O. Box 320,
El Cajon, Calif.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Replying to your favor of the tenth regarding the taxes
would say that the second installment of your tax bill
including yours amounts to \$49.66, half of which would
be \$24.83.

Yours truly,

MEF:AK

May 1st, 1929.

Mr. Louis H. Smith
El Cajon, California.

Dear Mr. Smith:

The attorney for the White Estate is very anxious to see
the certificate of title covering the property which you
sold to Mrs. White and the Grossmont Park Company. Would
you loan this certificate to us for a few days?

We will very much appreciate this favor.

Yours very truly,

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October Ninth,
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Mr. L. H. Smith,
El Cajon,
Calif.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Enclosed find check for \$30 to cover the interest
due on our thousand dollar note to October 9th,
1929.

Yours very truly,

MEF:AK

P.O.Box 320, El Cajon,
Calif, October 12th, 1929.

Ed Fletcher Co,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Mr. Fletcher:

Just a line to Acknowledge the receipt of your check for \$30.00
as being interest in full on our note to October 9th, 1929.

Yours truly,

Louis H. Smith.

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