

August 2, 1924.

To the President of the United States:

The Honorable Calvin Coolidge,
Executive Offices,
White House,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

I am taking the liberty of asking your attention and aid in the matter of the issuance of a new Presidential Order or Proclamation granting permission to the Native Sons of the Golden West, a prominent and influential organization in the State of California, made up of sons of the early Pioneers, to erect a suitable monument to Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, the first white man who ever sailed into San Diego Bay.

The late President Woodrow Wilson gave a local organization known as the Order of Panama the right to erect this monument on the Government Reserve at Point Loma, but that organization went out of existence without completing its task.

It is generally conceded that the Order of Native Sons is the natural, logical and proper body to undertake this work.

I would appreciate it very much if you could find it agreeable to grant their request on such terms and conditions as you may think proper, and assure you that such an order will meet the whole-hearted approval of not only the local community but entire Southern California.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Address:

401 Owl Bldg.,
San Diego, Calif.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 11, 1924.

My dear Mr. Swing:

Your letter of August 2nd, with enclosures, has been received and the matter of issuing a new proclamation granting permission to the Native Sons of the Golden West to erect a suitable monument to Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo has at once been taken up with the War Department.

Sincerely yours,

C. B. Evans

Secretary to the President.

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
401 Owl Bldg.,
San Diego, Calif.



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SAN DIEGO PARLOR No. 108
Native Sons of the Golden West
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Sept. 5th 1924

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
Owl Drug Bldg.
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Friend Phil:

As Chairman of the Landmarks Committee of this Parlor I beg to acknowledge receipt of the letter addressed to you by Rudolph Forster, Executive Secretary relative to a letter from the Secretary of War in the matter of our request for a proclamation from the President granting to the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West permission to erect a suitable monument to Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo on Point Loma.

In order that some definite plan can be decided upon to conform with the requirements suggested in this letter I would be very glad indeed to have you meet with the Landmarks Committee. Kindly advise when it will be convenient for you to meet with us and I will call the Committee to-gether.

Thanking you profoundly for the intense interest you have always shown in our undertakings, I remain,

Sincerely and Respectfully,
San E. Shaffer
Chairman Landmarks Committee

August 25, 1924.

Mr. Daniel E. Shaffer,
Secretary, N.S.G.W.
826 Sampson Ave.,
San Diego, Calif.

My dear Mr. Shaffer:

Enclosed please find letter which I have received from the White House with reference to your request for permission to erect a suitable monument to Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo. If you will kindly prepare the formal application with the data requested, I shall be very glad to submit it to the President.

Assuring you that I shall be pleased to assist you in every way possible in this matter, I am

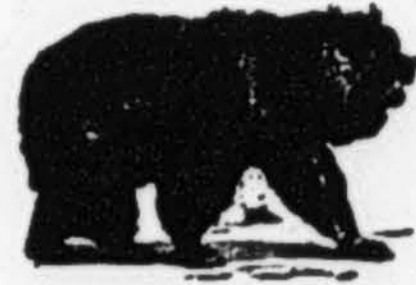
Sincerely,

Shaffer

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SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Oct. 28th 1924

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
Representative 11th Calif. Dist.
Washington, D.C.

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San Diego*

Dear Friend Phil:

On Sept. 5th I wrote you regarding the matter of the Rodriguez Cabrillo Monument on Point Loma which I was anxious to talk over with you while you were here.

However I would greatly appreciate your advising me just what you think would be the best course to pursue in order to get this matter where we can formulate some definite plan of action.

I sincerely hope that you enjoyed yourself on your vacation and that you are greatly refreshed and full of your usual "pep" so that your terms of office will be as full of successful achievements as in the past.

Thanking you for any attention that you might find time to give this for me, I remain,

Sincerely,
Dan E. Shaffer

Chairman Landmarks Committee
San Diego Parlor # 108 N.S.G.W.

Nov. 16, 1924.

Mr. Dan E. Shaffer,
Chairman, Landmarks Committee,
San Diego Parlor No. 108, N.S.G.W.
San Diego, Calif.

My dear Dan:

I had another talk with Secretary of War regarding the Cabrillo monument. For your information I am enclosing a copy of the President's proclamation for your file. You will see, by reading this, that it designates a "heroic statue" to Cabrillo. I am wondering whether the Native Sons feel inclined to undertake to raise the money it would take to put up a proper statue of this kind. It occurred to me that probably a shaft with a proper bronze plate would be more within your possibilities. I am preparing a proposed supplemental proclamation which I expect to ask the President to sign, substituting the Sons of the Golden West for the Order of Panama, and also eliminating the "heroic statue" of Cabrillo, and substituting, "a proper monument" to be first approved by the Secretary of War.

I am also advised that the proclamation should provide that the title of the monument, when completed, should vest in the United States. Kindly advise me if these modifications will meet your approval, and also what plans you have for raising money, and what amount you have decided to set as the goal toward which you will work. This will help me in handling the matter here.

Very truly yours,

PDS/ew



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March 14th 1925

will see you later

Honorable Phil D. Swing,
11th California District
Washington, D.C.

Dear Friend Phil:

I deeply appreciate your kindness in forwarding to this Parlor a copy of the Japanese Exclusion Law and on behalf of the members of this Parlor desire to express our gratitude, as this is a matter that we are all very much interested in.

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I have a new Committee to work with and within the next month or so will have a program outlined for the financing of the monument to be erected on Point Loma to Rodriguez Cabrillo. I guess by this time you have come to the conclusion that I have been asleep on the job but have been working on a sketch or plan showing just what we have in mind so that you can submit the matter in some definite form.

Thanking you again for your many courtesies, I remain,

Respectfully,

Dan E. Shaffer
Recording Secretary

San Diego Parlor # 108 N.S.G.W.

March 20, 1925.

Mr. Dan E. Shaffer,
Recording Secretary,
San Diego Parlor 108,
N.S.G.W.,
San Diego, Calif.

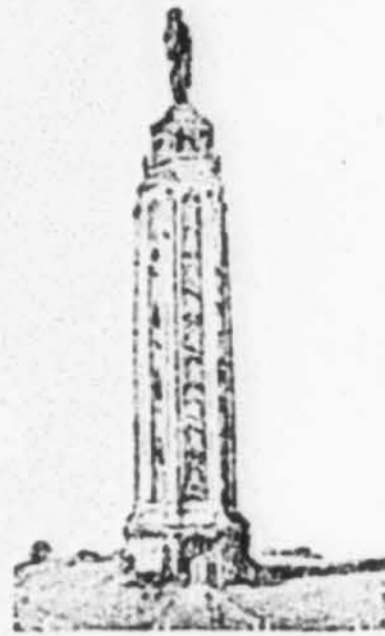
My dear Dan:

Thanks for your letter. I am glad you are still working on the plans for the Cabrillo monument. I will be glad to go over this matter with you when I return home, and assist you in any way I can.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

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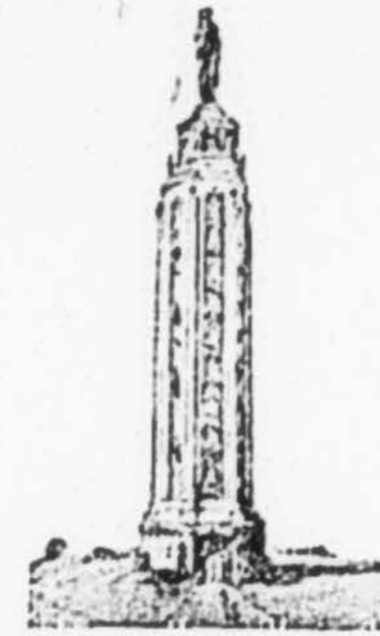


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Special meeting called at Chamber of Commerce.

Chairman Hastings called a special meeting for the purpose of arranging if possible with the Congressional Party which was due in this City for an inspection of the Naval activities and improvements, an opportunity to show them the proposed site where the Native Sons of the Golden West are to erect a monument to Juan Cabrillo the discoverer of San Diego Bay, which site is on Point Loma in the Government Reservation and can only be secured from an act of Congress and a proclamation signed by the President of the United States.

Chairman Hastings stated that if such a meeting could be arranged it would afford us additional support in Congress when our Representative Hon. Phil Swing presents our application and will be the means of furnishing these Congressmen with first hand information of what is proposed to be accomplished. After discussing different angles of the situation it was decided to send a radiogram to Con. Swing who was on board the U.S.S. Henderson returning from an inspection trip to the Hawaiian Islands with the Naval Affairs Committee, asking his permission and effort to arrange this visit to the Old Lighthouse on Point Loma and the proposed site for the monument as a part of the itinerary of the Congressional Party while in this City.



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Secretary Fox of the Chamber of Commerce was also to be interviewed so that a place on the program arranged by the Chamber of Commerce could be made available and not conflict with the plans they were making.

After the assignment to several members of different functions to perform and there being no further business to come before the meeting adjournment was had.

Sam E. Shaffer
Secretary



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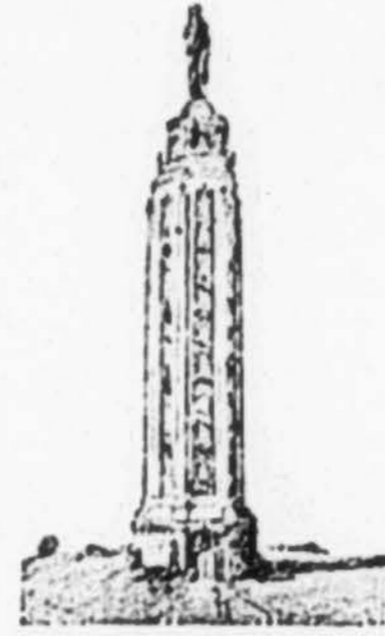


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Minutes of first meeting of joint Committees from Native Sons and Daughters on the Cabrillo Monument, proposed to be erected on Point Loma.

Chairman Dan E. Shaffer of the Landmarks Committee of the Native Sons called the meeting to order shortly after the members had finished the sumptuous repast that had been served in the Cabrillo Cafe.

After listening to the Chairman outline the purpose for which the meeting was called, in which he told of the vision he had while President of San Diego Parlor # 108 Native Sons of the Golden West of reviving and fulfilling an effort of another organization which had procured from President Woodrow Wilson President of the United States a proclamation setting aside a plot of ground surrounding the Old Spanish Lighthouse on Point Loma for a monument to commemorate the memory of Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo who discovered San Diego Bay on September 28th 1542, a world famed navigator who has never received recognition or just credit for the undaunted courage and sacrifices he gave for the Government he served in the hope of discovering a new world, which right had never been exercised and through the kind assistance of our Representative in Congress, the Hon. Phil D. Swing we have been given



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the assurance that a new proclamation could be secured transferring this right, to erect the monument, to the Order of Native Sons of the Golden West, for which purpose this meeting was called to perfect our organization.

The first order of business was the selection of a permanent Chairman, which resulted in the election of Edgar F. Hastings, who after taking charge of the meeting called for the selection of a Secretary, with the unanimous vote of the members for Dan E. Shaffer for that position. The office of Treasurer was then opened for nominations to which the name of Rufus Choate was offered and there being no further nominations, Rufus Choate was elected Treasurer.

All checks issued against the account of the Cabrillo Monument Fund are to be signed by two of the three officers President or Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. and the Union National Bank chosen as the depository for the funds of the organization.

Secretary Shaffer was made Chairman with two assistants to take the matter up with Congressman Swing.

Eugene Dancy Jr. was made chairman of a Committee to arrange



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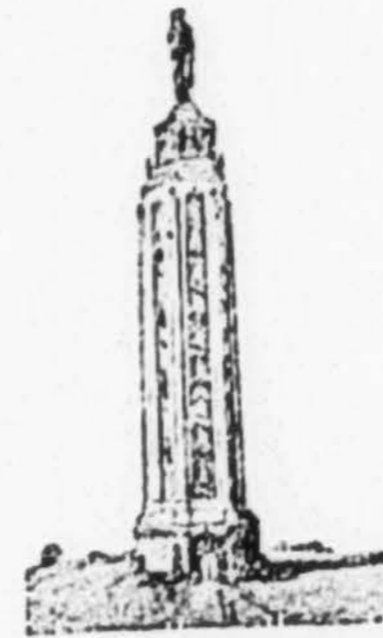


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and draw up all legal documents that might be necessary. Carl Houser was assigned the task of bringing in new ideas and suggestions for the financing of the undertaking. Ed. Grolic offered the suggestion that a scheme be perfected whereby the Chairman of each Committee would have a list of the members of his Committee, and sub committees which would be outlined on a large sheet of paper so that the Chairman in referring different communications and activities to the several Committees could readily tell who composed such Committee. Grolic was instructed to draw up such a plan and have it ready for the Chairman to use during our future meetings.

Henry P. Stelling was made Chairman of the Publicity Committee Bert Pauter was made Chairman of the Transportation Committee In order to have some one responsible for the arranging of a place to hold future meetings and call the different members to such meetings Ed. Head was made Chairman of Organization with Edw. H. Dowell, Rufus Choate, Eugene Daney Jr. Dan Shaffer, Miss Marion Stough and Albert Mayrhofer as assistants.

In order to have a presiding officer during the absence of the President or Chairman Miss Marion Stough was unanimously



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elected 1st Vice President.

Mrs. BURGENT was made Chairman of a Committee to carry out her own suggestion that an appeal be made to all of the school children of the City so that they could in future years feel and have a personal pride in knowing that they had assisted in raising the money to erect this monument.

In order to have money available to carry on the preliminary work and meet the expense necessary for stationery, postage and other incidental expenses that would have to be met, arrangements ^{for which} were placed in the hands of Wilbur Kelley for a dance at Mission Beach for the night of July 11th.

A report from the delegates of the Native Sons who attend the Grand Parlor of the Native Sons was indeed gratifying and encouraging as they had secured an appropriation of \$ 10,000 toward the fund to be raised for the erection of a monument to Juan Cabrillo on Point Loma, which however was given with the understanding that a like amount be raised by San Diego Parlor # 108 N.S.G.W.

There being no further business to come before the meeting adjournment was had until further call from the President

Sam E. Shaffer Secretary

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PROCEEDINGS OF
THE FORTY-EIGHTH SESSION
 OF THE
GRAND PARLOR
 OF THE
NATIVE SONS
 OF THE
GOLDEN WEST



FROM
PHIL D. SWING
 REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
 11th DIST. CALIFORNIA

HELD IN THE
 MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM
 SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA
 MAY 11 TO 15
 1925

SESSION

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 commencing with January

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GRAND PARLOR, N. S. G. W.

No. 1918 7.50
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Total \$235.73
 Actual Cash Balance in Bank, Com. Acct. \$235.73

JESSE M. WATERMAN,
 CHAS. A. THOMPSON,
 IRVING LEE,

Committee.

REPORT OF HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMITTEE.

To the Grand Parlor, Native Sons of the Golden West.
 Your Committee has had presented to it for consideration a number of resolutions and propositions affecting the Landmarks of California, and offers the following report of the work of the Committee, with suggestions and recommendations of the result of our deliberations:

In reference to Resolution No. 2 (Bear Flag Monument at Sonoma). Your Committee has appropriated from its funds now on hand the sum of \$350 for the purpose of reimbursing Sonoma Parlor No. 111 for money expended for permanent improvements made around the base of said monument.

Resolution No. 10 (St. Ann's Church at Columbia). Your Committee has appropriated from its funds the sum of \$200 for the purpose of aiding in the restoration of this historic landmark.

Resolution No. 32. (National Monument in Modoc and Siskiyou Counties). Your Committee has contributed the sum of \$150 out of the funds now on hand to aid in the erection of a monument in the lava bed of Modoc and Siskiyou Counties, to commemorate the memory of General Candy and the brave and valiant soldiers who gave up their lives in the last Indian War of the Far West, known as the Modoc Indian War.

Resolution No. 1 (Cabrillo Monument on Point Loma). Your Committee offers the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a monument to Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, the discoverer of California, be erected at Point Loma on the site provided by the United States Government, and that the said monument be erected under the direction and control of the Native Sons of the Golden West. And that the Grand President of the Native Sons of the Golden West shall be a member of the Committee which shall pass upon the design and supervise the construction of said monument.

Resolved, Further, That the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars be subscribed by this Grand Parlor for the erection of said monument, one-fifth of said amount to be collected yearly from the subordinate Parlors and included in its per capita tax; the said amount to be held by the Treasurer of the Grand Parlor until \$50,000 or more has been raised for the erection of said monument.

In Re San Bernardino Branch Mission.
 Your Committee has had before it for consideration the following letter:

"San Bernardino, May 11, 1925.
 To the Committee on Historic Landmarks, Grand Parlor, N. S. G. W. Gentlemen:

The undersigned, members of a committee of the Redlands Chamber of Commerce, would respectfully submit to you the following statements of facts:

San Diego, California, December 28, 1925

WHEREAS San Diego Parlor, No. 108, Native Sons of the Golden West, have been active in marking the graves of those who gave their lives to the end that California might become a part of these United States; and:

WHEREAS it was through the efforts of this Parlor that the graves of those who lost their lives in the battle of San Pasqual, and who now rest in the post cemetery at Fort Rosecrans, were marked by a proper memorial; and:

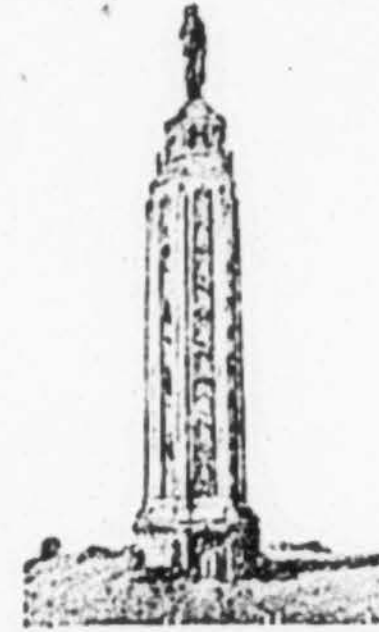
WHEREAS Congressman Phil D. Swing has introduced a bill H.R. 379, setting aside a plot of land, not exceeding seven acres and including the present post cemetery at Fort Rosecrans, as a national cemetery;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that San Diego Parlor, No. 108, N.S.G.W., hereby endorses the bill, H. R. 379, and urges that every aid possible be given Congressman Swing in securing the passage of this bill.

Signed,

E. H. Dowell
Edgar F. Hastings
Edward A. Juce

Committee,



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P E T I T I O N .

WHEREAS, under and by virtue of an Act of Congress of the United States, approved June 8th 1906, (34 Stat.225) the President of the United States of America was authorized, in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation historic landmarks and other objects of historic interest, that are situated upon lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States, to be National Monuments; and

WHEREAS, the late President of the United States, Mr. Woodrow Wilson, did by public proclamation on the 14th day of October 1913, set apart 21,910 square feet on Point Loma, in the City of San Diego, State of California, for a National Park and granted to the Order of Panama, a civic organization of San Diego, California, the privilege of erecting therein a fitting memorial to Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, who first sailed into San Diego Bay on the 28th day of September 1542; and

WHEREAS, the said Order of Panama has never exercised the privilege so granted as aforesaid, for the reason that said civic organization is now, and for many years last passed has been defunct; and

WHEREAS, the order of the Native Sons of the Golden West, a State wide organization, composed of native born Californians of the Caucasian race, is founded upon broad patriotic principles, one of which is the identifying and marking with tablet and monument those places within the State of California of historical interest of State and Nation;

NOW THEREFORE, We, the undersigned members of the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West, by and with the consent and approval of the Grand Parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West, hereby respectfully petition our President, Mr. Calvin Coolidge, that the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West may be substituted for the Order of Panama, now defunct, in the privilege of erecting a suitable monument in the place heretofore set apart, to the discoverer of California, Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo. Said monument to be of the design and

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structure acceptable to the War Department of the United States.

S.B. - Arrowhead Parlor #110 By Rev. Hazelton

Los Angeles Parlor #45 by R.H. Fryer

Thoma Beach Parlor #234 W. E. Hann

L.A. - Cypress #202 - E. Conroy

Dimensional Parlor #104 by Walter H. Siskerville

- William G. Elten, Secy. Glendale Parlor #264 N.S.G.W.

H. Mel Head, Secy. Santa Ana Parlor, 265.

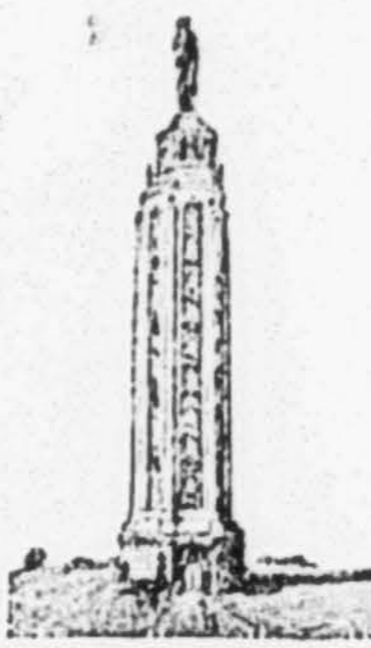
N.A. - Corona Parlor #196 John Toplam Pres.

Pasadena Parlor #259 Vincent Savory Secy.

San Pedro Sepulveda Parlor #263, James V. Carroll Secy.

Ventura Cabrillo Parlor #114 Jean Bordeaux Secy

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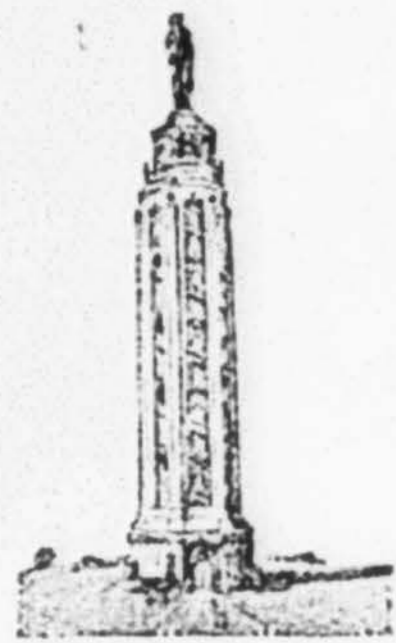
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Now Therefore,

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Edgar F. Hastings
Sam E. Shaffer
Lucius Child
Everett Daurig Jr.



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SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

January 12th 1926

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Friend Phil:

Members of this Parlor were indeed pleased and mighty glad of the opportunity of assisting you in your effort to have the Post cemetery on Point Loma made a National Cemetery and we hope that the enclosed resolution will be of some help to you.

The special Committee is now working to have other civic organizations send similar resolutions of endorsement, which will be reaching you in the next few days.

In regard to the Cabrillo Monument proposition which has been delayed through the failure of Grand President Fletcher Cutler appointing the Committee has atlast progressed with the naming of that Committee and a meeting of the local Parlor Committee is to be held in the next few days when some definite action will be taken and the matter presented to you.

Thanking you on behalf of the members of this Parlor for this opportunity to be of service to you, I remain,

Respectfully,

Dan E. Shaffer
Recording Secretary

Thanks
will be glad to have
get your Grand body Com. or going

January 18, 1926.

Mr. Dan E. Shaffer, Secretary,
San Diego Parlor No. 108, N.S.G.W.
San Diego, California.

My dear Dan:

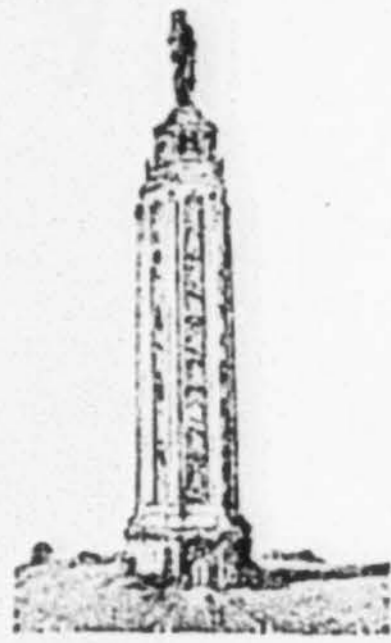
Thanks for the resolution regarding the National Cemetery on Point Loma, and for your offer to get other endorsements. This will prove helpful, I am sure.

At the earliest moment that you can get your Grand Parlor Committee on the Cabrillo Monument organized, do so, and thereupon get a certificate from the Secretary or President of the Grand Parlor that this is a Committee representing the Grand Parlor, with authority to handle the financing of the Cabrillo Monument, and that the Grand Parlor has authorized the raising and expending of \$10,000 voted by the Grand Parlor, and that they expect and intend to raise through the voluntary subscription of patriotic individuals and organizations an additional sum of \$100,000 to complete the erection of a suitable memorial and that they do hereby petition the President to modify the previous order and constitute the Native Sons of the Golden West the organization through which this work is to be done. Then send that to me and I will go to the bat for you to get you the proper order through which you can go out and solicit public funds.

With best personal regards, and best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

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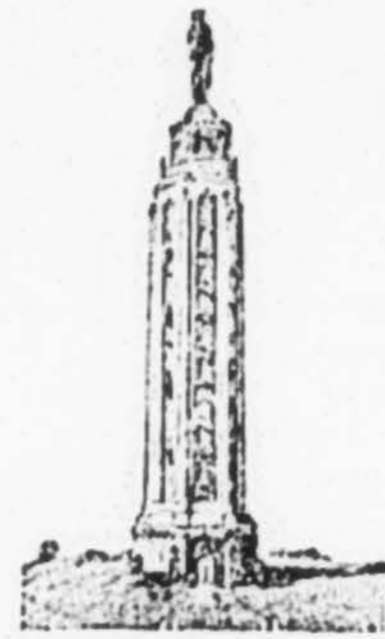
March 29th 1926

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
Representative 11th Calif. Dist.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Friend Phil:

You can imagine the vast amount of correspondence that it has taken to get this affair so that I could atleast forward it to you for presentation, but I hope that it is in such shape that it will meet with your approval.

First I am enclosing the appointment of a local Committee by the Grand Officers of the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West, Second a petition to the President of the United States asking for the privilege to erect the monument on Point Loma signed by this local Committee and third a petition signed by officeys of all of the Native Sons Parlors in Southern California. This we felt would show that the request and the effort that will be put forth to erect the monuement is more than just a local effort The Grand Parlor will hold another session the first part of May and Edgar Hastings stated to-day at the Committee meeting that the Portugese Society will hold their annual fiesta the latter part of April, which if we have the authority from the President granting us the privilege to erect this monument will mean much.



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SAN DIEGO PARLOR, No. 108
Native Sons of the Golden West
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

to the success of the undertaking if we can go before both of these gatherings and authentically state that we have the site for the monument and that every effort will be put forth to start our campaign for funds.

I sincerely trust that this will not reach you at a time when you are too busily engrossed with other important matters that are demanding a great deal of your time, to give it your usual prompt and earnest attention.

Every member of San Diego Parlor feels deeply indebted to you for the interest and sincere desire you have shown to assit us in this matter.

I wish to thank you personally very very much and only hope that some day I may be able to reciprocate.

Sincerely Yours,

Sam E. Shaffer
Secretary

Cabrillo Monument Committee

P.S. The estimated amount we have set for this monument is \$ 200,000 and so far without any solicitation we have the assurance of over \$ 25,000. and at the present time conditions seem favorable toward the success of our goal.

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REP PHIL D SWING

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WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT REGARDING CABRILLO MONUMENT PETITION ANSWER

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DAN E SHAFFER

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HOUSE CORRIDOR, CAPITOL BLDG.
PHONE MAIN 3120, BRANCH 251

April 12, 1926

Honorable Calvin Coolidge
The President of the United States
Executive Offices
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

I am taking the liberty of handing you, herewith, petition of the Native Sons of the Golden West, a prominent and patriotic social organization of the State of California, which has done good work in the preservation of historic landmarks in the State of California, seeking permission to erect a suitable monument to one Rodriguez Cabrillo, the first white man to set foot on California territory. He sailed into San Diego Bay in 1542, and the site of the proposed monument is the first land he saw on entering the bay.

The Order of Panama was granted permission to erect a monument to Cabrillo on the site in question, by a Presidential Proclamation issued by the late President Woodrow Wilson in 1913, under Section 2 of the Act approved June 8, 1906, authorizing the creation of National Monuments by Proclamation where historic landmarks are situated on lands owned by the United States.

The Order of Panama is a defunct organization, and has been for a number of years.

The Native Sons of the Golden West at the Annual Session of their Grand Parlor held last year, as shown by the Minutes of that Meeting found on page 197 of the printed proceedings, voted to contribute \$10,000 toward the monument, and authorized the appointment of a Committee to raise the funds and to take charge of the building of the Monument.

I am enclosing the Order of the Grand President to the Grand Secretary, naming the Cabrillo Monument Committee. I

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

April 12, 1926

Dan E. Shaffer
City Treasury
San Diego, California.

Have submitted your petition to President and Secretary War but will take some time to get final action. However do not anticipate any obstacles to getting you permission desired.

Phil D. Swing, M. C.

O. B. 372 B.

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT J. C. WILLEVER, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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REPRESENTATIVE PHIL D SWING

WASHINGTON DC

DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR INTEREST IN CABRILLO MONUMENT MATTER AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOU REPORT PROGRESS MADE TO DELEGATE ALBERT MAYRHOFER GRAND PARLOR CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS SANTAROSA TUESDAY MAY ELEVENTH

DAN E SHAFFER.

The Honorable Calvin Coolidge.

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also enclose the petition of the Committee, asking that a new Presidential Order be issued in which the Native Sons of the Golden West be substituted for the defunct Order of Panama. In addition I am enclosing the petition of eleven Southern California Native Sons Posts, joining in the prayer of the Committee.

Heretofore I sent you Resolutions adopted by the Board of Supervisors of San Diego County and various civic organizations of the City of San Diego, endorsing the request of the Native Sons of the Golden West - - this for the purpose of showing that there is no rival applicant for the honor of building a suitable monument to Cabrillo.

It is important and necessary to have the Native Sons Organization officially designated for this purpose in order that they may proceed with their campaign of soliciting funds for the purpose of erecting this monument. Until they have been accorded the privilege by the Government they have no standing on which they can conduct a campaign to raise the necessary funds.

I sincerely trust that this will appeal to you as a worthy and meritorious undertaking.

Sincerely,

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May 8, 1926.

Dan E. Shaffer
 San Diego Calif.

War Department will on Monday recommend to President issuance of new proclamation naming Native Sons Golden West organization to construct Cabrillo Memorial on Point Loma May be several days before proclamation actually signed

PHIL D SWING M C

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WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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May 11, 1926

Albert Mayrhofer
Convention Headquarters
Grand Parlor Native Sons Golden West
Santa Rosa, California

Secretary of War Davis just signed letter of recommendation to President Coolidge to designate Native Sons of Golden West to construct Cabrillo Memorial on Point Loma. President's proclamation will be signed tomorrow

Phil D. Swing, M.C.

O.S. 372 B.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

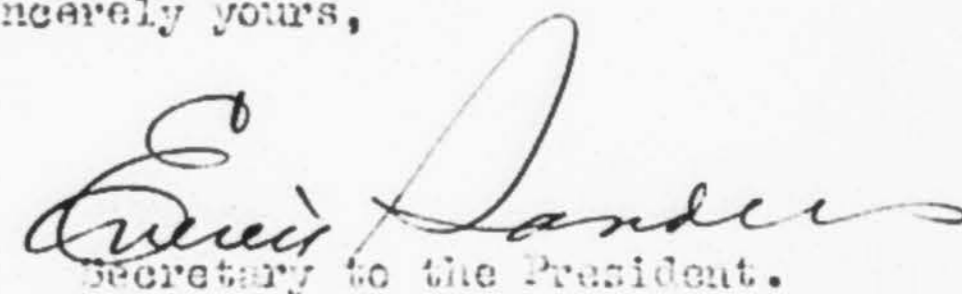
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May 12, 1926.

My dear Mr. Swing:

Referring to your letter of April 12th, I wish to advise you that the President has today signed a Proclamation authorizing the Native Sons of the Golden West to erect a monument at Point Loma upon the Fort Rosecrans, California, Military Reservation, to commemorate the discovery of California by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo in 1542.

Sincerely yours,


Secretary to the President.

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

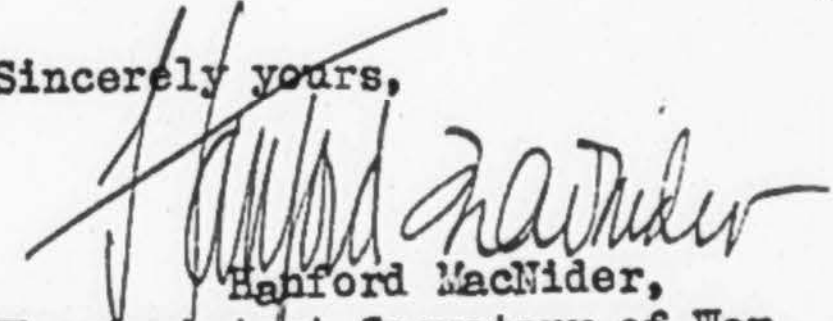
May 13, 1926.

The Honorable Phil D. Swing,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Swing:

Returned to you herewith are the inclosures submitted with your letter of April 12th to the President, in which you ask that the Native Sons of the Golden West be given authority to erect a monument on the Cabrillo National Monument Reservation. This office is informed that the President has seen fit to grant your request and doubtless the proclamation is now in process of publication.

Sincerely yours,


Sanford MacNider,
The Assistant Secretary of War.

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May 12, 1926

Dan E. Shaffer, Secretary
Native Sons of the Golden West
San Diego, California

The President this afternoon signed proclamation authorizing the Native Sons of the Golden West build Cabrillo monument Point Loma.

Phil D. Swing, M. C.

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

May 13, 1926

A. V. Mayrhofer
Headquarters, Native Sons of Golden West
Santa Rosa, California.

Proclamation designating Native Sons Golden West to erect Cabrillo
Monument signed by President yesterday

Phil D. Swing, M.C.

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NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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PHIL D SWING

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PLEASE WIRE MY EXPENSE WHEN PROCLAMATION CABRILLO MONUMENT

TS SIGNED *by headq*
Y. K. ...
A V MAYRHOFFER

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Sent to each signed of petition.

May 22, 1926

Mr. R. W. Brazelton
Arrowhead Parlor #110
Native Sons of the Golden West
San Bernardino, California.

My dear Mr. Brazelton:

I am very glad to advise you, in response to the petition signed by your Parlor, that I have been successful in getting the Native Sons of the Golden West designated as the agency to have charge of the erection of a Monument to Cabrillo. I take pleasure in enclosing copy of the President's Proclamation to that effect.

Sincerely,

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May 22, 1926

Mr. Dan E. Shaffer, Secretary
Native Sons of the Golden West
San Diego, California

My dear Dan:

I take pleasure in sending you, herein, several copies of the Proclamation of the President, designating the Native Sons of the Golden West as the agency to have charge of the erection of a Monument to Cabrillo.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

EDS-w

[CABRILLO NATIONAL MONUMENT—CALIFORNIA]

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, by Section 2 of an Act of Congress approved June 8, 1906 (34 Stat. 225), the President was authorized "in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest that are situated upon the lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States to be national monuments, and may reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected";

AND WHEREAS, when Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, the discoverer of California, sailed into San Diego Bay on the 28th day of September, 1542, Point Loma, which lies within the military reservation of Fort Rosecrans, California, was the first land sighted by him;

AND WHEREAS, the President of the United States did, by Proclamation No. 1255, dated October 14, 1913, declare and proclaim, under authority of said Act of Congress, the following described parcel of land situated on Point Loma within the limits of the military reservation of Fort Rosecrans, California, to be a national monument to commemorate the discovery of California by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo on the 28th day of September, 1542, viz:

Beginning at a monument 53 ft. from Southeast corner of the Old Lighthouse, Point Loma (true az. $6^{\circ} 26'$); thence, true az. $292^{\circ} 50'$, 25 feet; thence, true az. $234^{\circ} 09'$, 36 feet; thence, true az. $210^{\circ} 47'$, 35 feet; thence, true az. $191^{\circ} 14'$, 53 feet; thence, true az. $175^{\circ} 56'$, 57 feet; thence, true az. $159^{\circ} 26'$, 33 feet; thence, true az. $138^{\circ} 29'$, 115 feet; thence, true az. $7^{\circ} 39'$, 170 feet; thence, true az. $349^{\circ} 56'$, 43 feet; thence, true az. $337^{\circ} 58'$, 25 feet; thence, true az. $332^{\circ} 14'$, 35 feet, to the point of beginning; containing 21,910 square feet, more or less.

The area above comprises all the parcel of ground within the loop of the Point Loma Boulevard where it encircles the Old Lighthouse, but does not include any of the roadway.

AND WHEREAS, The Order of Panama, an organization composed of representative citizens of Southern California, was granted permission by said proclamation to construct a memorial statue to Cabrillo on the said national monument site so declared;

AND WHEREAS, it appears that the said Order of Panama has never exercised the privilege granted to it as aforesaid and is a defunct organization and has been so for a number of years;

AND WHEREAS, an organization known as the Native Sons of the Golden West, a patriotic organization of the State of California, interested and engaged in identifying and marking with tablets and monuments those places situated within the State of historic interest to the State and Nation, has applied for permission to erect a suitable monument upon the site in question;

Now, THEREFORE, I, Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States of America, do hereby authorize the said Native Sons of the Golden West to erect at Point Loma upon the site above described a suitable monument in commemoration of the discovery of California by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo on the 28th day of September, 1542, the said monument to be of such design and structural material as will be acceptable to the Secretary of War, the design thereof to be submitted to and approved by him before the work is begun, and the monument to be erected under the supervision of such military authority as may be designated by him.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 12th day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty six, and of the
 [SEAL] Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fiftieth.

CALVIN COOLIDGE

By the President:

FRANK B. KELLOGG
 Secretary of State

[No. 1773]

(COPY)

San Diego Parlor No. 108
 NATIVE SONS OF THE GOLDEN WEST
 San Diego, California.

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Friend Phil:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your telegram stating that President Coolidge signed the proclamation granting to the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West the privilege to erect on Point Loma a monument to Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo.

The Committee appointed by the Grand President of the order at a special meeting have instructed me to extend to you on behalf of the members of this Parlor and of the Order our sincerest thanks and appreciation for the untiring effort you have put forth to secure for us this grant.

Sincerely yours,

Edgar F. Hastings
 Rufus Choate
 Eugene Dancy Jr.,
 Carl Heilbron
 (S) Dan E. Shaffer, Secretary,
 Cabrillo Monument Committee.

(Original in appreciation file)



JUAN RODRIGUEZ CABRILLO

Cabrillo Memorial Monument

835 Sixth Street
San Diego, California

May 6, 1927

Honorable Phil D. Swing,
House Office Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Phil:

The plans for erecting a splendid memorial to Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, discoverer of California, are now well under way. The preliminary organization work of the committee in charge of the project has been completed, and preparation is now being made to proceed with the general appeal to all interested individuals and organizations for contributions to the fund for the completion of the structure.

I am enclosing tentative folder which has been prepared for distribution throughout the country, and which is awaiting final sanction. The campaign committee believes that the selection of members for the Cabrillo Memorial Committee -- which you will note listed on the last page of the folder -- includes not only those whose identification with the project will greatly contribute to its success, but those whose vision and patriotism will insure their appreciation of the worth of the undertaking and who will be truly interested in its accomplishment.

It is intended to proceed with the appeal at the earliest possible date, and we would greatly appreciate it if you will advise us of your willingness to appear among the sponsors of this beautiful and fitting memorial. Stamped return envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Sincerely and cordially yours,

William H. Ellison
William H. Ellison
Campaign Manager

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RUFUS CHOATE, Treasurer

CABRILLO MONUMENT COMMITTEE

835 SIXTH STREET

Room 6

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

To take my part in the construction of a memorial to Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo on Point Loma, at San Diego, California, I herewith enclose the sum of

.....Dollars

or I agree to send on, 1927, the sum of

.....Dollars

NAME.....ADDRESS.....

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Make checks payable to RUFUS CHOATE, Treasurer, CABRILLO MEMORIAL COMMITTEE,
835 Sixth Street, San Diego, California



JUAN RODRIGUEZ CABRILLO

Cabrillo Memorial Monument

835 Sixth Street
San Diego, California

May 23, 1927

Honorable Phil D. Swing
House Office Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Phil:

Things are looking very good on the Cabrillo monument solicitation and what we would like to ask you is this. Would you be willing for us to use your name as chairman of the committee, as we know that it would help the cause very much and that we can complete the solicitation much sooner.

If this is agreeable to you -- and we all hope it is -- we would like to use some of your stationery for the cause.

I had an interview with MacPherson of the Chamber of Commerce this noon and he was very much in favor of this procedure and is going to give some thought -- and I would like to have you do the same -- to some perfectly legitimate reason for tying Lindburgh, our well known aviator, into the project. Such as, having a statue of him, also the plane he made the flight in, placed in the foyer of the monument -- the idea being, not reserving the entire thing for Cabrillo, but having other people who have done notable acts honored by being placed therein. Suggestions have been made that we honor Corlis P. Huntington, Father Serra, General Otis, E. W. Scripps, John D. Spreckels, and it might be that you could assist us with giving your ideas on this.

The Scouts of San Diego were very fortunate in having Lindburgh's signed application for membership before he departed from here, and the ceremony to take place in September. I hope it will be possible for you to be here in September, and I am told by your office that it is your intention at this time.

Hoping that this finds you well, and if there is anything that I can do for you here, please advise.

Very truly yours,

Bill Ellison

May 12, 1927

Mr. William H. Ellison
Cabrillo Memorial Committee
835 Sixth St.
San Diego, California

My dear Bill:

I am glad to see plans taking definite form for pushing the Native Sons movement for the erection of a memorial to Cabrillo to a successful conclusion. As I have sponsored this proposal of the Native Sons from the first, I am anxious to continue doing everything in my power to see the undertaking carried to success. The entire State of California should respond generously to your appeal.

In a few days I will be glad to send my personal contribution to the Treasurer of your Committee.

Sincerely,

[Swing]
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To take my part in the construction of a memorial to Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo on Point Loma, at San Diego, California, I herewith enclose the sum of

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Make checks payable to RUFUS CHOATE, Treasurer, CABRILLO MEMORIAL COMMITTEE, 835 Sixth Street, San Diego, California

Los Angeles Parlor, No. 45

Native Sons of the Golden West

Meets Every Thursday Night

134 WEST SEVENTEENTH STREET

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

May 28th, 1926

May 28, 1927

Mr. William Ellison
835 Sixth Street
San Diego, California.

My dear Bill:

I am perfectly willing for you to use my name as Chairman of the Committee, if you think this would be of any help to the movement for the Cabrillo Monument.

My advice is not to mix the Cabrillo movement up with any effort to honor other persons. In the first place, it would be a confession of weakness of your cause, and secondly it would betray a doubt of your ability to make a success of it without dragging in other names. Either Cabrillo is entitled to a monument or he is not. If he is not worthy of such a memorial then let the matter drop. If he is he should have a memorial in his own right and name. The same can be said of the other names mentioned.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

PDS-w

Mr. Phil D. Swing,
Representative 11th, Dist. California,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.,

Honorable Mr. Swing;-

Referring to your letter of May 22nd, relative to the erection of a Historical Monument at Cabrillo, California.

Los Angeles Parlor No 45, N. S. G. W. extends you greetings and we wish to express to you our appreciation for securing for our Order the privilege of being the agency to have charge of the erection of the CABRILLO NATIONAL MONUMENT, at Point Loma, California.

Sincerely yours,
R. W. Fryer
Recording Secretary.

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September 28, 1926

Hon. Will C. Wood
Superintendent of Public Instruction
Sacramento, California.

My dear Mr. Wood:

Now that the smoke has cleared away, I think we have reason to feel satisfied with the results of our efforts, even though we did not get everything we personally desired. There are good prospects for four years of Progressive Administration, and that ought to mean a lot to our State. I want to keep in touch with you in the meantime, so as to be able to help in any way I can our common cause for progressive and humanitarian legislation.

However, I am writing this letter on another matter. The Grand Parlor of the N. S. G. W. has appointed a Committee and started a fund for the purpose of erecting a monument on Point Loma, San Diego, to the memory of Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, the first white man to visit California, he having sailed into San Diego Bay on the 28th of September, 1542. The President of the United States has designated the Native Sons as the organization with authority to erect a monument on the Military Reservation at Ft. Rosecrans. A local Committee will cooperate with the Native Sons Committee and will in the near future appoint a State Committee consisting of many of our best known men.

All this leads up to a suggestion made by me to the Native Sons that it might be possible to put on a Cabrillo Day in the public schools, and permit the children to contribute not over ten cents each toward this fund. A subscription list would be placed in the hands of the teachers and would be signed by those contributing from one cent to ten cents, and the names would be put in the corner stone of the monument. I estimate in this way approximately fifty or sixty thousand dollars could be raised.

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I realize that there is a certain prejudice against doing this sort of thing in the schools, but this appears to me a very worth while undertaking.

The Native Sons is a strong, patriotic organization which has been doing good work in preserving historical spots throughout our State. My idea would be to have the Grand Officers of the Grand Parlor of the N. S. G. W. solicit your consent to stage a Cabrillo Day in the schools, and I believe it would not be a bad idea for you to permit them to do it. The Native Sons various organizations would furnish all the schools with appropriate literature and a suggested program, which would take about a half an hour, and in the larger communities would offer speakers where they were desired, who would give in an interesting way this first page of the history of California and of the Pacific Coast.

I hope you will find it in your heart to encourage me enough that I can make the suggestion to the Grand Officers that they submit to you their proposal and seek your approval and cooperation. They expect to raise in the aggregate \$200,000.

Sincerely,

508 Commonwealth Bldg.
San Diego, California.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Sacramento, California

WILL C. WOOD
SUPERINTENDENT

October 18, 1926

Native Sons

Hon. Phil D. Swing
508 Commonwealth Bldg.
San Diego, California

Dear Mr. Swing:

Your letter of September 28th has been unanswered owing to the fact that I have been very busy holding conferences and conventions. I hope you will pardon my delay in writing you.

gentle
I note your request for permission to solicit subscriptions in the schools for the erection of a monument on Point Loma to the memory of Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo. I wish I could encourage you in the hope that the schools will take part in this enterprise. However, I can not do so. So many requests of this kind, all of them apparently worthy, have been made to the state board of education that that body has seen fit to decline to give any general endorsements to movements of this kind.

However, you are not to be dismayed by the attitude of the state office. The Native Sons can, by appealing to county boards of education or local boards of school trustees, obtain permission for the subscription, according to the provisions of section 1672a of the Political Code.

I note what you have to say concerning the political situation. Certainly our governor has run true to form. However, I hope that our forces will not be misled. It seems to me that if the legislature ratifies the six-state pact without reservations it will appear to have "eaten crow." It will also give the impression that Johnson, yourself, Young and others have been playing politics with the Colorado issue. Of course we know this is not true but the public does not draw fine distinctions. If, on the contrary, the legislature shall reaffirm definitely its ratification with the Finney reservations, then Harry Chandler and his cohorts will go before Congress, point out that California is stiff-necked in its attitude, and insist there is no use to pass the bill. My judgment is that it is best to stand pat, do nothing, taking the ground that no immediate action is necessary and that the next legislature will have time to consider the matter and can act upon it immediately after its session begins.

Sincerely,

Will C. Wood

Superintendent of Public Instruction

October 19, 1926

Hon. Will C. Wood
Superintendent Public Instruction
Sacramento, California.

My dear Mr. Wood:

Thanks for your letter regarding the Native Sons' movement in behalf of the Cabrillo Monument. I shall advise them to follow the suggestions contained in your letter to comply with Section 1672 of the Political Code.

I agree with you that Richardson was simply trying to throw a monkey wrench and do all the damage he could in the last days of his term. I do not believe the Legislature will follow him, but of course he has succeeded in creating an embarrassing situation.

Sincerely,

508 Commonwealth Bldg.
San Diego, California.

N.S. G.W.

October 19, 1926

Mr. Dan Shaffer, Secretary
Native Sons of the Golden West
c/o City Treasurer's Office
San Diego, California:

My dear Dan:

I have received a letter from Superintendent
Will Wood, in which he says:

"I note your request for permission to solicit
subscriptions in the schools for the erection of
a monument on Point Loma to the memory of Juan
Rodriguez Cabrillo. I wish I could encourage you
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many requests of this kind, all of them apparently
worthy, have been made to the state board of
education, that that body has seen fit to decline
to give any general endorsements to movements of
this kind.

However, you are not to be dismayed by the attitude
of the state office. The Native Sons can, by
appealing to county boards of education or local
boards of school trustees, obtain permission for
the subscription, according to the provisions of
section 1672a of the Political Code."

I suggest that your Committee follow the suggest-
ion he has made and after your State Committee has been
appointed get them to call upon the various Counties to
cooperate.

Sincerely,

508 Commonwealth Bldg.,
San Diego, California.



San Diego Mission, Established 1769



SAN DIEGO PARLOR, No. 108
Native Sons of the Golden West
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

January 3rd 1927

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
Representative in Congress
Washington, D.C.

Dear Brother Swing:

I have been instructed by the Cabrillo Monument Committee to write
you relative to having a bill presented before the Congress of the
United States for an appropriation toward the erection of a monument
in the Government Military Reservation on Point Loma commemorating
the discovery of San Diego Bay by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo.

In as much as the Committee expects to make this an international
monument we feel that this Government should be invited to assist
and we sincerely hope that you will be in sympathy with and do what
you can to help us carry out our plan.

Locally we have secured the consent of the Campaign Control Committee
to start our drive for funds for this undertaking and have almost
perfected a definite plan for soliciting funds from out of town
sources.

We deeply appreciate the enthusiastic interest you have taken in
this matter so far and trust that you will not be too busy with
your other important matters to give this your usual prompt atten-
tion.

No
Change

Sincerely and fraternally,

Dan E. Shaffer

Secretary Cabrillo Monument Committ

*Native
Sons*

January 11, 1927.

Mr. Dan E. Shaffer,
Secretary, Cabrillo Monument Committee,
Native Sons of the Golden West,
San Diego, California.

My dear Dan:

I regret to advise you that there is no chance whatever of securing an appropriation from the Federal Government for erecting the Cabrillo Monument. The Federal Government has done all it will do when it gave you permission to use the site.

I personally know of a case where the monument was erected at private expense and the offer to turn it over to the Government was declined on the part of the Government on the ground that it would involve some expense to the Government.

I wish you success in your undertaking, but I am of the opinion that your drive will have to be for funds from private sources.

Sincerely,

PDS:EW

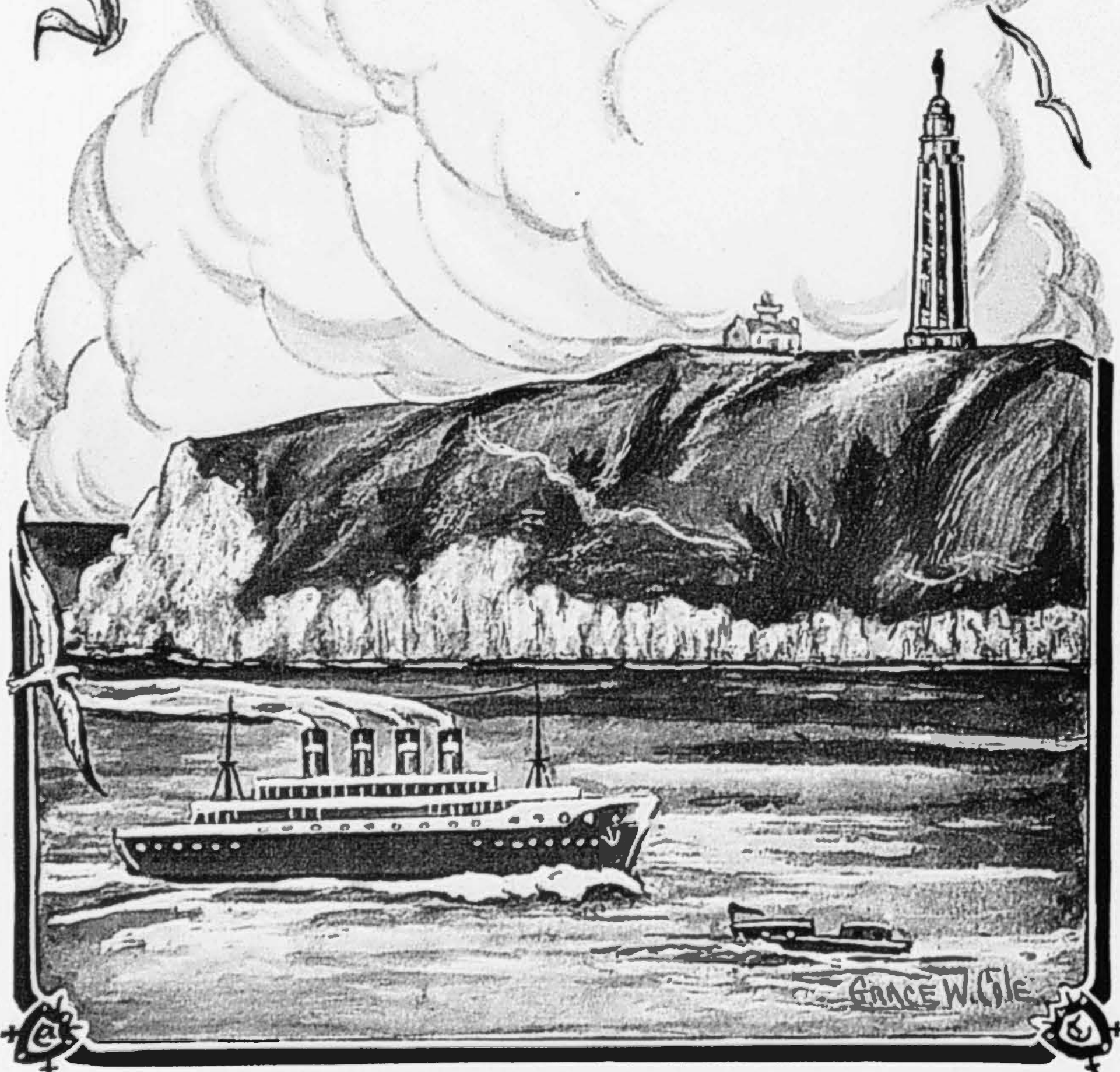
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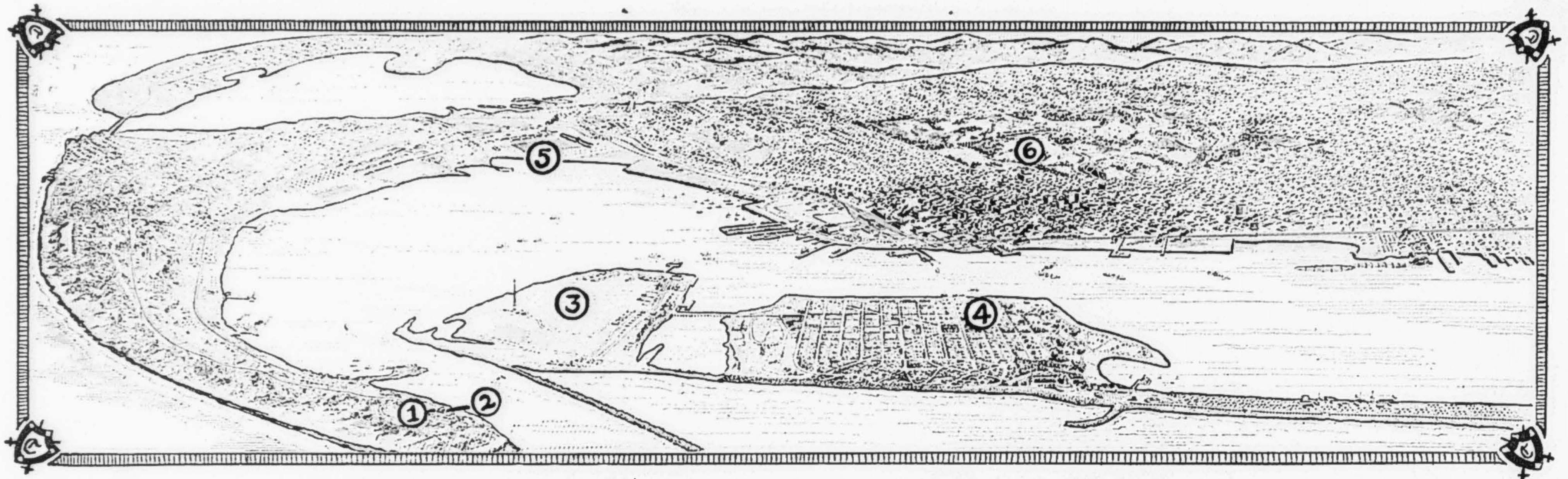
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Shaffer, Dan

Proposed
Cabrillo
Memorial



GRACE W. GALE



Map of San Diego showing the proposed location of the Cabrillo Memorial and other internationally-known points of interest. Imagine, the incomparable setting of the Cabrillo Memorial and the magnificent view that may be enjoyed from its top. This view has been described as one of the world's three greatest viewpoints. 1. Proposed site for the Cabrillo Memorial. 2. The Old Spanish Lighthouse. 3. North Island. 4. Coronado. 5. Marine Base. 6. Balboa Park.

ON THE golden afternoon of September 28, 1542, two clumsy but brave little windjammers, the "Victoria" and the "San Salvador" flying the flag of Spain swept in upon the smooth waters of San Diego Bay, anchoring under the lee of old Point Loma. Thus, over three and three-quarter centuries ago, the first white man to set foot upon the soil of California, Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo, gazed with admiration at the view before him and said, "a landlocked and a very good harbor." From the deck of his quaint craft, he looked up and down the bay, around the encircling shores, and then to the hills and mountains beyond that made the scenic background. Never before had the eyes of a white man gazed upon this wonderful panorama.

His voyage upon the unknown and uncharted Pacific, from Navidad in old Mexico to the southwestern coast of America, was another great episode in the drama of Spanish explorations which began with the first voyage

of Columbus, fifty years before. Moreover, Cabrillo's discovery of the coast of California was an achievement of the greatest historical magnitude.

Three hundred and eighty-five years have passed since this Portuguese explorer came to California—three hundred and eighty-five years of progress. Today, San Diego is the rendezvous of all nations. Great ships of commerce come and go ceaselessly into her wondrous harbor. Lying land-locked under the bluest of skies, the mighty battleships repose where once upon a time rested but two little ships that had been buffeted and beaten by the mighty storms of the Pacific.

Years have passed, and though the name of Cabrillo has become a familiar byword, there has been erected no marker or monument to honor the discoverer or to indicate the spot of his discovery. As it has been justly stated, it is a lamentable commentary upon America's loyalty that Cabrillo's deeds are but sparsely commemorated. A great

monument to this hero of peaceful exploration should be erected on Point Loma, near the spot where he took possession of this land.

What more splendid memorial could be erected than an impressive monument towering high above Point Loma and crowning the crest, from whose heights could be viewed what has been declared to be one of the most beautiful panoramas in the world, and below which the anchor of the discoverer, Cabrillo, first touched what is now American soil?

It is the duty of those living in the present to keep blazoned before the world the memories of the past; to glorify the deeds of heroes. It is inherent in man's nature to reverence greatness, as is witnessed by the mighty monuments that from time immemorial have been erected throughout the world.

The Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West have made plans to build a beautiful monument, 176 feet in height, 36 feet in diameter and surmounted by a statue

of Cabrillo. To provide a site, the United States government has set aside a generous grant of land adjacent to the old Spanish lighthouse on Point Loma.

Historically, this monument will be of great significance. It will call attention to the valor and noble accomplishment of the great Portuguese explorer to whom it is to be erected. Materially, it will provide a point of interest to the visitors of this historic land. Stairs and an elevator will enable sightseers to enjoy from its top a view of land and water unequalled in extent and beauty in the world. A statue which would have a more distinguished and significant position can hardly be imagined.

A fund to finance this important project has already been started. Completion of the undertaking will, however, require a sum of \$200,000. As there are many who desire to take part in this commemorative work, the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West are conducting a campaign throughout

the world. It is believed that Spain and Portugal will make contributions, thus making it an international monument.

Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo is deserving of all the honor that can be bestowed upon him. His was a great contribution to civilization—a contribution made at the cost of his life. We who are enjoying the comforts of today little realize the dangers and hardships these courageous conquistadores encountered in or-

der to prepare for the settlement of Southwestern America. Cabrillo's part in this preparation should be worthily commemorated.

With the whole-hearted support and assistance of those who reverence the past, the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West are confident that this commemorative undertaking will be a complete success.

All contributions for the Cabrillo memorial will be used only for this purpose.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S PROCLAMATION

Now, Therefore, I, Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States of America, do hereby authorize the said Native Sons of the Golden West to erect at Point Loma, a suitable monument in commemoration of the discovery of California by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo on the 28th day of September, 1542, the said monument to be of such design and structural material as will be acceptable to the Secretary of War, the design thereof to be submitted to and approved by him before the work is begun, and the monument to be erected under the supervision of such military authority as may be designated by him.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this 12th day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fiftieth.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

Cabrillo Memorial Committee

Gov. C. C. Young
Hon. Hiram W. Johnson
Hon. Samuel M. Shortridge
Hon. Phil D. Swing
William Kettner
G. Aubrey Davidson
Frank J. Belcher, Jr.
Howard F. Worth
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J. Harvey McCarthy
Dr. E. L. Hardy
Dr. Louise C. Heilbron
Jesse Wood
Stephen Dove
Mrs. Winifred Davidson
Paul C. Edwards
Elwyn B. Gould, Jr.
Virgil Bruschi



February 8th,
1929

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

I wish you would write me as to what type of a woman Mrs. Laura Dennison is. She is the sister of Mr. J. B. Coker.

She is telling all kinds of stories of inhuman treatment by her brother J. B. Coker. I would like the facts.

Will you please give me this information by return mail, and oblige.

Yours truly,

EF:AK

PHIL D. SWING
11TH DIST. CALIFORNIA

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

COMMITTEES:
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PUBLIC LANDS
FLOOD CONTROL
EXPENDITURES IN THE EXECUTIVE
DEPARTMENTS

February 9th, 1929.

Congressman Phil Swing
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Swing:

There is at New Orleans a floating steel dry-dock owned by the Government. It will take care of ships of 16,000 tons. It is absolutely worthless to the Government at New Orleans and should be in San Diego.

I understand it has never been used so far as the Government is concerned.

Is there not some way of getting this removed to San Diego

Yours very truly,

PS:GMP

February 15, 1929.

Col. Ed Fletcher,
920 Eighth Street,
San Diego, Cal.

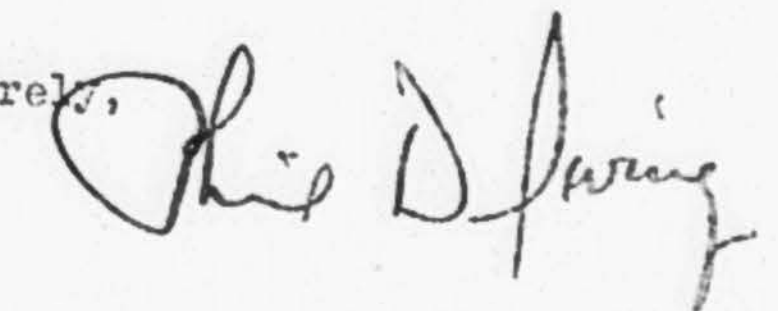
My dear Colonel:

Permit me to acknowledge your wire regarding Mrs. Laura Dennison. I have only known Mrs. Dennison in a rather casual way during the past four or five years, but Mrs. Swing has known her from childhood.

I certainly believe that Mrs. Dennison is a woman of character and ability, particularly I believe she is both honest and truthful.

With reference to your rumor that Rockwell Field is to be removed to Long Beach, permit me to say that I think there is some error in the report. I am informed that Clover Field is to be moved to a point near Long Beach, and the Los Angeles crowd are probably trying to get the Repair Depot removed from Rockwell Field to Long Beach, but I do not believe that will happen.

Sincerely,



PDS/bp

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

February 28th,
1929

March 5, 1929

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

Enclosed find copy of letter I have written the veteran's
bureau.

I would appreciate it if you would go the limit in this
matter.

Yours very truly,

BF:AK

Colonel Ed Fletcher
1020 Ninth Street
San Diego, California

My dear Colonel:

Under separate cover I am sending you copy of the
Luce Bill, Committee report on the same, and copy of the
hearings. This Bill did not become a law. However, it is
anticipated that next session a similar bill will again be
introduced, and probably pressed for passage.

California will get one or more hospitals. Where
they will be located will, of course, have to be determined
by the Veteran Bureau contingent upon two things, first,
the merits of the proposed location, and second, its prox-
imity to centers of demand for treatment.

^{you} I assure you I will do everything possible to see
that various offers are considered. Let me suggest that
you make a somewhat more definite proposal and send the
same to General Frank T. Hines who will be Chairman of the
Hospital Committee, inclosing the copy, of course.

Sincerely,

Phil D. Swing

P. S. I assure you that I could think of no more delightful
present to receive than a few of your very wonderful avacadas.
I still have a lingering recollection of the delicious flavor
of the last ones you were good enough to send.

PDS:W

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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DEPARTMENTS

March 7, 1929

Colonel E. Fletcher
1020 Ninth Street
San Diego, California

My dear Colonel:

Under separate cover I am sending you copy of the Rice Bill, Committee report on the same, and copy of the Hearings. This Bill did not become a law. However, it is anticipated that next session a similar bill will again be introduced, and probably proceed for passage.

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PDS:W

March eleventh, 1929.

Hon. Phil D. Swing
House of Representatives
Washington D. C.

My dear Phil:

Answering yours of March 5th, I am sending you some avocados from Solana Beach.

I don't know how to write to General Hines giving a better description for the reason that there are 2300 acres in one tract and about 200 acres in another. I wanted the Government to come out and mutually agree on the boundaries.

I assume my offer will be investigated when an inspection is made.

Yours very truly,

RF:GMF

PHIL D. SWING
11TH DIST. CALIFORNIA

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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March 16th, 1929.

Hon. Phil D. Swing
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

I am sending you by express a box of avocados with
my compliments.

From time to time if you need any for publicity
purposes, don't hesitate to call on me.

With kind personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EF:GMF

March 18, 1929.

Col E. Fletcher,
1320 Ninth Street,
San Diego, California.

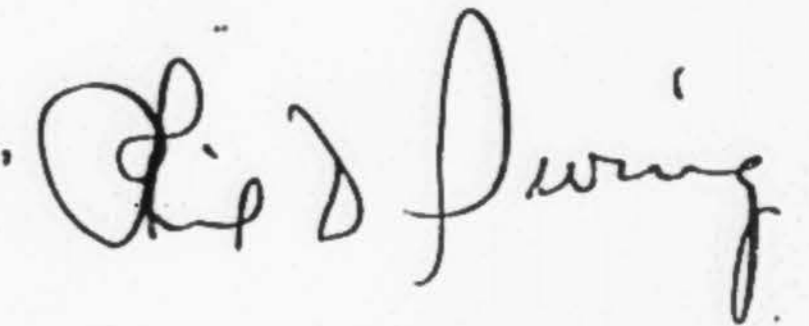
Dear Colonel:

I still believe that you should write Gen. Hines,
Chairman of the Veterans Hospital Board, Veterans Bureau,
Washington, D. C., a statement of your offer of a hospital
site or more than one offer of a hospital site.

I do not believe the Veterans Bureau would consider
a site as small as ten or fifteen acres, but believe they
would want at least 100 acres for their purposes.

Besides map showing location of the sites, there
should be supporting evidence as to elevation above sea-level,
fogs, winds, rain, temperature, etc. Permit me to assure you
that I desire to be of whatever help I can to you in getting
your case squarely before the Veterans Hospital Committee.

Sincerely,



FBS/bs

P. S. I note with rising interest the fact that you are send-
ing some of your delicious avocados.

P. D. S.

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

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March 18, 1929.

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130 Ninth Street,
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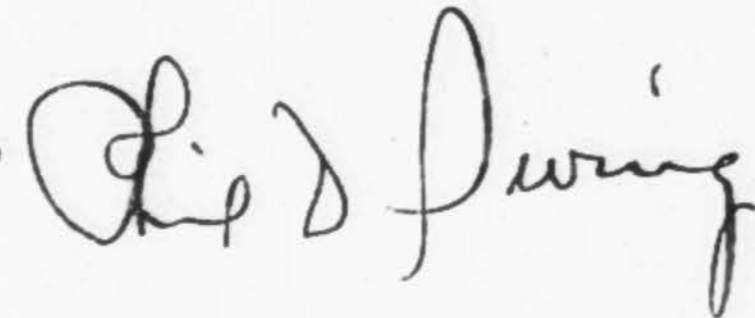
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Sincerely,



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P. S. I note with rising interest the fact that you are sending some of your delicious avocados.

P. D. S.

March 22nd, 1929.

Hon. Phil D. Swing
Congressman
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Phil:

I shall write General Hines immediately as per your suggestion of the 18th and will send you a copy of the letter.

Yours very truly,

EF:GMF

March 25th, 1929.

Congressman Phil D. Swing
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

Answering yours of the 16th, enclosed find copy
of my letter to General Hines, with map, that
are explanatory.

I hope you have received the avocados ere this.

With kind personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

EF:GMF
Encls.

PHIL D. SWING
11TH DIST. CALIFORNIA

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

April 5, 1929

COMMITTEES:
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Col. Ed. Fletcher,
Fletcher Building,
San Diego, Calif.

My dear Colonel:

Permit me to hand you the enclosed letter
from General Frank T. Hines in which he assures me that
your offer will be given careful consideration, in
case of legislation authorizing a hospital adopted
in the future.

Sincerely,

Phil D. Swing

PDS/AP.
one enc.

P. D. We are still enjoying your very delightful avocados.

PHIL D. SWING
11TH DIST. CALIFORNIA

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

April 5, 1929

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PDS/MP.
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P. D. We are still enjoying your very delightful avocados.

April 6th, 1929.

Hon. Phil D. Swing
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Swing:

I know you are in receipt of lots of inquiries
along this same line and I don't want to bother
you and take up your time, but I would like to
know the following as I am getting a lot of
inquiries:

How long before some actual construction work will
start on the Boulder Dam proposition, either in
railroad construction or preliminary tunnel work
and who will be in charge of construction or in
the capacity of hiring superintendents of the
various departments?

Any information you can give me in regard to this
will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

EF, Jr:GMF

April 10th, 1929.

Hon. Phil Swing
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

Thanks for copy of your letter to General Hines.

You know me well enough, Phil, to wire me when you want a box of avocados. I am raising my own now and can ship them at any time, so please look upon it as a family affair so that when you are hungry for avocados or have friends you want to do something for, please advise me.

With kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

EF:GMF

June Twenty-fourth,
1929

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

Answering yours of June first which I find on my return from a two weeks trip will say I thank you very much for the information.

I am reading the papers eagerly to see that Hoover comes through clean and that you will be on the job when that edict happens

Let me know how long you are to be there.

If you will send me a night wire and can use some avocados I will send you a box.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

EF:AK

June Twenty-eighth,
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Hon. Phil D. Swing,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

I thank you for your letter of the first.

I have sent the information on to the association.

I know you will do the best you can and I want to say
I rejoice with you in that Boulder Dam fight. It
was a fight of your life and you have won.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

EF:AK

July Third,
1 9 2 9

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

Enclosed find letter from the California Avocado
Association that may be of interest.

Yours very truly,

EF:AK

July 17th, 1929.

Hon. Phil D. Swing
1240 San Diego Trust & Savings Bank Bldg.,
San Diego, California.

My dear Phil:

I acknowledge receipt of yours of the 16th and appreciate what you are doing on the avocado situation.

I tried to get you at the San Diego Hotel last Sunday to have you up to dinner, but failed to get you.

Tell me what your plans are.

I want to take you and the good wife to Eagles Nest and have a nice rest among the pines.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

EF:GMP

Dictated by but not reviewed by Colonel Fletcher.

August First,
1 9 2 9

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
1240 S. D. Trust & Savings Bank Bldg.,
San Diego, Calif.

My dear Phil:

Answering your inquiry will say that the San Diego County Water Company would appreciate it if you would appoint J. E. Coel postmaster for Warner Springs. You can get him at that address.

Sincerely yours,

E:F:AK

Original mailed to George Cromwell

1240 S. D. Trust & Savings Bank Bldg.,
San Diego, Calif.,
August 7, 1929

Colonel Ed. Fletcher
1020 Ninth Street,
San Diego, California.

My dear Colonel:

I am this day asking the Post Office
Department to appoint Mr. George A. Cole as
postmaster at Warner Springs, as per your
request.

Sincerely,

Phil D. Swing.

PDS-ew

August Twentieth,
1929

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
1240 S. D. Trust & Savings Bank Bldg.,
San Diego, Calif.

My dear Mr. Swing:

Answering your letter of August nineteenth, Colonel
Fletcher is out of town but I know he will appreciate
what you have done in securing the appointment
of Postmaster for Mr. Cole.

Yours truly,

AK

September Tenth,
1 9 2 9

Hon. Phil D. Swing,
1240 S. D. Trust & Savings Bank Bldg.,
San Diego, Calif.

My dear Phil:

You told me over the 'phone you would be back soon
and we are to take that Eagle's Nest trip.

Give me a ring and lets make up a little party
and spend the night up there. We can spend the
night up there leaving at four in the afternoon
and getting back at nine the next morning.

Sincerely yours,

EF:AK

November 18th, 1929.

Congressman Phil Swing
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

One of the playmates of my boys, a next door neighbor
for many years, and a young fellow I can heartily
recommend is C. A. Beran.

He is 21 years of age and a 100% young man. He has not
had a college education but did finish high school.
For the past three or four years has been working in
the real estate business and is now with Hazard, Gould Co.

Clayton has fine physique, is quick witted, intelligent,
and a sure go-getter. He wants to get into the air
service at March Field. He doesn't want to go to school
for another two years. Is there not some other way
either by recommendation or working thry the Air
Reserve or National Guard?

I would consider it a personal favor, Phil, as I want
to help the boy in any way I can.

Yours sincerely,

EF:GMF

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DECEMBER
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1929

December 8th 1934.

COL. ED. FLETCHER,
No. 1020 - Ninth Ave.,
San Diego, California.

My dear Colonel:

I am returning the letter and data regarding the All American Canal which you permitted me to take for study two days ago.

I find that I will have to leave for Washington without being able to look into the matter sufficient to give you a comprehensive answer. I will, however, prepare something and mail it to you later.

It is obvious to me that the letter is written in a controversial manner for the purpose of making the most of one side of the case, without regard as to whether or not the statements contained are exact in every particular. For instance: The writer of the letter assumes that San Diego's proportion of the cost of the Canal will be as one hundred and fifty-five second cubic feet to 8,500 ft. or 1.83%. The first twenty-five (25) miles of the Canal from the Imperial Dam to Pilot Knob will be of a capacity of fifteen thousand cubic second feet and San Diego's proportion of that part of the Canal will be slightly over one per cent. From Pilot Knob to the West side of the Sand Hills, the capacity of the Canal will be ten thousand second feet or 1.5% of the cost. As the most expensive part of the construction is in the first thirty-five (35) miles - it is evident that Mr. Allison has assumed an unduly high ratio.

Other assumptions of fact are on an equally unfair basis. For instance: Mr. Allison argues that San Diego has been given too favorable a deal by our Contract and that Imperial Irrigation District is being compelled to carry an unfair proportion of the cost of the Canal. That is no argument against the Contract, for once it is ratified by the City, it cannot be changed without the City's consent. The argument in that particular is an argument in favor of the Contract and is a reason why the City ought to ratify.

It is a strange thing that San Diego citizens would be alarmed at possible and often imaginary costs and would fail to approve a vitally important project to its future growth and development

Hon. Phil Swing,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Phil:

Just a word to let you know that Mrs. Fletcher and I are thinking of you as the New Year rolls in.

I realize your position is not a pleasant one and probably at this time there are more problems of the Nation for you to help solve than at any time since the World War.

With absolute faith in your sincerity and ability to solve these problems I dop you this line of cheer and urge that you carry on to the best of your ability and render the greatest service to the greatest number.

Wishing you Many Happy Returns of the New Year,
I am

Sincerely your friend,

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PAGE TWO.

COL. ED. FLETCHER.

when the people of Imperial Valley ratified the same contract twelve to one, and the people of Coachella Valley ratified a contract similar to our own by a vote of about fifteen to one. The people of these communities are closer to the project and are better informed regarding the matter and their approval of the project seems to me to overcome much of Mr. Allison's imagined objections. The Imperial Irrigation District has been building and operating canals up and down the Colorado River and over identical, similar country as the All American Canal is proposed to be constructed and operated in. They do not believe the objections raised by Mr. Allison have a sound basis in fact.

You will hear from me in detail later.

Sincerely,

Phil D. Swing

PHIL D. SWING.

I do hereby certify that the following named members of the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West which is an Order organized and dedicated to the work of preserving historic land marks and the history of the State of California, viz: Edgar F. Hasting, Dan E. Shaffer, Rufus Choate, Eugene Daney Jr. and Carl Heilborn have been appointed by me to receive from the United States Government a site on Point Loma for the erection of a monument to the memory of the first white man to step upon the soil of California the navigator Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo.

Fletcher A. Butler

Grand President of the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West.

Attest:

John D. Egan

Grand Secretary of the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West.

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WHEREAS, former President Woodrow Wilson gave a local organization to-wit, The Order of Panama, the right to erect a suitable monument to Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo on the Government Reservation on Point Loma; and

WHEREAS, said organization no longer exists and did nothing under said authority, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Order of Native Sons of the Golden West that they be given the right to carry on this project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By The Honorable Board of Supervisors that they heartily endorse the plans of the Native Sons of the Golden West to take up the movement for the erection of such a suitable monument, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Honorable Board of Supervisors, urge the President of the United States sanction this proposed plan of the Order of the Native Sons of the Golden West, and grant authority to the said Order of Native Sons of the Golden West to erect a memorial to said Cabrillo on the Government Reservation at Point Loma.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Honorable Board of Supervisors, at its regular meeting held

Chairman.

Board of Supervisors.

ATTEST:

Clerk.

*Send to Roffer
See N.S.G.W.
G. B. Sampson*

PHIL D. SWING

Attorney at Law
604 San Diego Trust and Savings Building
San Diego, California

April 17, 1940

Mr. D. L. Ault
City Attorney
Civic Center
San Diego, California

My dear Mr. Ault:

Replying to the City Manager's questions which would arise if the City of San Diego undertakes the construction of Sutherland Dam, permit me to say that most of these questions involve both law and fact. A final legal opinion can hardly be given until the engineering survey, already authorized, gives us more facts. However, this preliminary report covering some of the general principals involved may be of help at this time.

"1. Is it necessary for the City to protect itself against owners of riparian lands in San Pasqual Valley by securing grant agreements before undertaking the construction of Sutherland Project?"

Yes, unless the City was willing to take from the watershed only the surplus waters which no land owner in the basin was able to put to a reasonable use. Certainly any business man before making an investment of several million dollars would first take steps to make certain that the benefit of his investment was going to him and not strangers. The filing of an application with the State Water Commission, would, of course, call forth protests from those claiming superior or adverse rights. The protestants would have to be taken care of by the City in some settlement before it could safely proceed.

"2. Under what conditions may land be considered as riparian to water flowing past Sutherland Dam site under the existing laws?"

Land, to be riparian to a stream, must first be located within the drainage area of the stream.

Second, the land or some part of it must border on or be adjacent to the natural channel of the stream or to the underground flow which might be proven to be an integral part of the stream. Third, only that part of a man's holding bordering on the stream which has been held continuously as one unit can claim riparian rights. By that I mean that if a large tract of land lying within the drainage basin and bordering on the stream is subdivided and parts which are removed from the stream are severed from the part which borders on the stream, the part severed will lose forever its riparian rights unless the deed conveying the land also conveys a water right. The owner of riparian lands cannot, by buying adjoining lands not riparian, give the new lands riparian rights merely because they have become a part of a farm which already had riparian rights. Fourth, if a man's holdings comply with the foregoing requirements he is entitled to use as much of the water of the stream as is reasonably required to meet his needs even though he has to pump water to the higher part of his lands. There is no limit on riparian rights based upon the elevation of the land above the stream flow. Land located below the conflux of two branches of a stream is riparian to both branches. Land located above the conflux of two branches of the stream is riparian only to the branch on which it is located.

"3. Under what conditions was land considered as riparian before the constitutional amendment of 1928 affecting riparian land was passed?"

The constitutional amendment of 1928 did not change the classification or nature of riparian lands. Land which was riparian before 1928 continued riparian after 1928. The amendment relates to the use of water and limits the rights to the "reasonable use of water". This newly declared policy has been interpreted by the courts as applying not only to riparian owners but to all others having rights to use the waters of the stream.

Our Supreme Court is deciding each case involving the constitutional requirement of reasonable use of water on the facts and equities of each individual case. No one, therefore, can speak with assurance as to what might be decided in any particular case. In the very recent case, Meridian, Ltd. v. San Francisco, 13 Cal. (2d) 424, the court used this language:

"Obviously, it is impossible for this court or any court to cover, in three or four decisions, the entire range of the effect of the amendment upon all water controversies that may arise in this state.

The full scope of the new constitutional provision can be determined only after a large number of cases presenting different conditions shall have been decided."

"4. What form of agreement or grant will be required to protect the City?"

The form of agreement or grant required to protect the City would have to be worked out with great care when the time came to purchase water rights. Two forms of procedure have been followed, one to buy the land outright and then sell it back with a so-called "reservation" giving the City a prior right to use the water if, as, and when needed. This procedure has been followed by the City of Los Angeles in the Owens River Valley. Secondly, the City could buy water rights or releases from whoever owned such rights on the river. The riparian owners, however, are not all who would have to be settled with. Prior appropriators, holders of rights by prescription and possibly owners of lands overlying underground waters fed by the stream would have to be considered.

"5. Can the City exercise the right of eminent domain to secure riparian rights in San Pasqual Valley in event a sale price cannot be agreed upon or will it be necessary to secure fee title to the land in order to secure the riparian rights?"

The City has the unquestioned right of eminent domain to secure whatever water rights may be necessary in the San Pasqual Valley. Private rights all must yield to public need. The City, however, could not condemn water already being used for public purposes, particularly for domestic purposes.

"6. Can San Pasqual Valley lands that are not riparian sustain objections to the granting of a permit by the State Division of Water Resources for storage and diversion of water at Sutherland?"

Yes, there may be other water rights besides riparian, to-wit: Prior appropriators, holders of prescriptive water rights and lands overlying underground waters which are fed by the stream's flow--in fact, anyone who can prove he will be injured.

"7. Does the George A. Prentice lands have a riparian right to the San Dieguito River because of certain reservations made when a portion of lands were sold to Frederick M. White?"

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A definite answer cannot be given to this question until further search has been made and more facts developed regarding the history of the Prentice Lands. What I have heretofore said in response to question No. 2 regarding what lands are riparian applies generally to this question. There can be no doubt that an owner may sell that part of his lands bordering on a stream and still reserve for his remaining lands a proportionate share of the riparian rights which he had before the land was severed. There is considerable doubt, however, as to whether the Prentice reservations and exceptions contained in their deed of F. M. White constitute a reservation of riparian rights to the upper lands.

"8. Is it necessary to secure waiver of right to object from all lands in the San Pasqual Valley that may have been served through ditches with water from the river even if the land is not riparian to the river or to underground water originating in water bearing river sands and gravels?"

To answer this question one would have to know the facts in each case, but generally the answer is yes. It is entirely possible that lands may have been served with water through ditches under contracts which were limited as to time or as to rights, such as in the case of the sale of "surplus" water. But the fact that a man has been served with water from the river through ditches, puts the City on notice that he probably has or will claim a water right and the City is obligated to investigate and ascertain whether he has any such rights. Non-riparian lands could acquire water rights in the river by open and adverse use of the water under claim of right for the period of time prescribed in the Statute of Limitations. This would give him a prescriptive right. Non-riparian lands could, of course, acquire water rights in the river under the law of appropriation. A waiver or release of these rights would be necessary to protect the City.

"9. What would be the result if the City undertook the construction and operation of Sutherland dam without securing permission from the riparian land owners in San Pasqual Valley?"

If the City, under the facts assumed in this question, was not enjoined by court action before the dam was completed, its rights to divert water from the watershed probably could be limited to the "surplus" water, if any, or water which could not be put to a reasonable use within the basin by riparian land owners, appropriators and owners of rights by prescription. The City would have the right to store "unusual floods." Ordinarily storm water and floods

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that recur regularly each year belong to the natural flow of the stream and to the people who have acquired rights therein if they can show that they can put it to a reasonable use. Under the facts assumed in the question, the City would be entitled to store and divert out of the watershed only the water which otherwise would run to waste.

"10. To what extent can Sutherland Bond Fund money be used for the construction of (1) San Vicente Dam, (2) pipeline for San Vicente Dam to El Capitan pipeline, and (3) road around San Vicente Reservoir without a vote of the electors?"

Money derived from the sale of bonds voted for construction of public works can be expended for those purposes only which were embraced in the proposition submitted to the voters. In this instance, the ordinance calling the bond election set out the following proposition:

"Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for the acquisition, construction and completion of two masonry dams, one to be located at a point known as Sutherland Dam site, on the Santa Ysabel Creek, in the County of San Diego, State of California, and the other at a point known as San Vicente Dam site, on the San Vicente Creek, a tributary of the San Diego River, in said County and State, together with the acquisition of lands, reservoirs, reservoir sites, water rights, water-bearing lands, rights of way, and water pumping plants for dams and reservoirs, and the acquisition, construction and completion of pipe lines and conduits connecting said Sutherland Dam and Reservoir with the San Vicente Dam and Reservoir, and a pipe line and conduit from said San Vicente Reservoir to a connection with the City's distributing water mains to be located at Lakeside, in the County of San Diego, State of California, for the purpose of developing, impounding, conserving, storing and distributing the waters of the Santa Ysabel Creek and its tributaries and the waters of the San Vicente Creek and its tributaries for the use of the inhabitants of the City of San Diego; all as more particularly set forth in that certain report and recommendation of F. A. Rhodes, Manager of Operation, on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, marked Document No. 190646, and endorsed: 'Communication from Manager re additional water supply - Sutherland & San Vicente.'"

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Because of the last declaration that the work proposed to be done was "all, as more particularly set forth in that certain report and recommendation of F. A. Rhodes," we must study that document to learn just what was contemplated by the City Officials and by the voters who were guided by that information.

The report of Mr. Rhodes first discusses the advantages of building dams at both Sutherland and San Vicente and operating them in conjunction with each other but finds the cost of the combined development to be \$5,500,000.00. The city's bonding capacity was found to be only \$2,400,000. From which it was concluded that it would not be good policy to ask for a bond issue of more than \$2,000,000. "The question then, arises", says the report, "What can be accomplished for \$2,000,000. and what water would we get?"

The report then sets forth two suggested developments as follows:

"In case the \$2,000,000.00 were used to construct a dam at San Vicente first, the estimated cost would be as follows:

San Vicente dam - 175 ft. high	\$1,500,000.00
Relocation of County Road	400,000.00
San Vicente-Lakeside Pipeline	200,000.00
Riverview Pumping Plant	40,000.00
Purchase of Lands	60,000.00
	<u>\$2,200,000.00</u>

This development would produce 3.5 m.g.d., safe net yield.

Should the \$2,000,000.00 be used to construct a dam at Sutherland first, the estimated cost would be as follows:

Sutherland dam, 155 ft. high	\$1,100,000.00
Sutherland-San Vicente conduit	500,000.00
Diverting dam, San Vicente	20,000.00
San Vicente-Lakeside Pipeline	200,000.00
Riverview Pumping Plant	40,000.00
Purchase of lands	140,000.00
	<u>\$2,000,000.00</u>

The above Sutherland development would produce a safe net yield of 6 m.g.d.

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Either of these developments would put water into the El Capitan pipeline."

Then Mr. Rhodes gives his recommendation of what ought to be done, which recommendation, I believe, constitutes the project voted on and endorsed by the electors:

"In view of the foregoing information, it is my recommendation that the Sutherland-San Vicente development be started, with ultimate development of the dam at Sutherland; with the conduit from Sutherland to the San Vicente drainage basin; with the foundation of San Vicente dam which will act as a diverting dam into the pipeline at San Vicente, and which dam will not interfere with the use of the present County road; and the joining of the El Capitan pipeline with a pipeline from the San Vicente dam to Lakeside, together with the installation of a pumping plant at Riverview to be used as an emergency supply and for the benefit of the towns and farms along the El Capitan pipeline."

Our difficulty arises, primarily, I understand, because insufficient money remains on hand from the sale of bonds with which to complete all the items of the project as recommended by Mr. Rhodes. There is a line of decisions which holds that where the project cannot be completed as proposed to the voters, on account of insufficient funds, the officials will not be permitted to construct part of the work where that part would produce no useful result or which would give all or a disproportionate share of the benefits to only a fraction of the taxpayers.

However, such cases are not applicable here where, as I understand it, a useful project can be constructed with the money remaining on hand and the benefits of the constructed works will accrue equitably to all the taxpayers. On this assumption, I am of the opinion that the City Council has authority to proceed to expend the balance of the bond money for such of the items as were included in the Rhodes Recommendation as in their sound judgment will produce a project useful and in the best interests of the City. Certainly the City officials have discretion as to where to begin work on a project and which one of a number of items should be undertaken first. Likewise they have the right, for good reason, to change the order of work, at any time, so long as what is done is within the general scope of the plan authorized by the voters.

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Accordingly it is my opinion that, if the City officials decide that a suitable project will result, the so-called Sutherland Bond Fund Money can be used for the construction of (1) San Vicente Dam and (2) pipeline from San Vicente Dam to El Capitan pipeline. I am of the opinion that the bond money cannot be used to build a road around San Vicente Reservoir since the road item was expressly excluded in the Rhodes recommendation, which was for a dam which "will not interfere with the use of the present county road."

It is no bar to the spending of the balance of the bond money under the conditions above outlined, that the entire project originally contemplated and as recommended by Mr. Rhodes cannot be completed. Such a situation must have been in the minds of all the parties, including the voters, since Mr. Rhodes report clearly disclosed that his recommendation is that a development be "started" which was to be completed at a later date when more money was available. He said:

"The City Assessor reports that on January 1st, 1927, the bonding capacity of the city will be increased four million dollars over its capacity. This being the case, a further bond issue can be called to complete the work next year."

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) PHIL D. SWING
Phil D. Swing,
Special Counsel.

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604 San Diego Trust and Savings Building
San Diego, California

April 18, 1940

Mr. D. L. Ault
City Attorney
Civic Center
San Diego, California

My dear Mr. Ault:

I understand that the Water Commission desires a statement of just what the City has secured in the way of Colorado River water rights by its contracts with the United States. I say contracts because there are two: One of February 15, 1933, negotiated by Mr. Savage, giving the City storage rights in the reservoir back of Boulder Dam; the second, negotiated by me, dated October 2, 1934, but signed by Secretary Ickes October 16, 1939, which gave the City carrying capacity in the All-American Canal for the water covered by the first contract.

Under the Savage Contract the United States obligates itself to deliver to the City of San Diego 112,000 acre feet of water per year at Imperial Dam on the Colorado River. This is the equivalent of 100,000,000 gallons daily. Also, the United States accords the City the right to accumulate in storage back of Boulder Dam any unused portion of the City's annual allotment, but not exceeding in the aggregate at any one time 250,000 acre feet. There is no charge for storage but for each acre foot of water actually delivered to the City at the Imperial Dam (heading of the All-American Canal) the Government will charge the nominal sum of 25 cents.

While this contract with the United States gives San Diego most valuable rights, it is generally understood that our actual title to Colorado River water must be secured through the compliance with our state laws covering the subject of appropriation of water. The law of appropriation, recognized in Western States, is based primarily upon the principle that first in use is first in right. However, under that law, where a filing on water has been

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made and due diligence thereafter used to put it to beneficial use, the title acquired by usage will relate back and give a priority as of the date of filing. In April, 1936, the City filed with the State Division of Water Resources its application for a permit to use 155 cubic feet per second flow of the Colorado River which is the amount covered by our contract. Under our law, the City must exercise due diligence in constructing or acquiring the necessary works to make the water available for use if the City's priority is to be maintained and its title perfected.

The first step taken by the City to perfect its title to Colorado River water under our state filing was the acquisition of storage rights in Boulder Reservoir under our 1933 contract. The fact that we did not have to make any capital investment in securing this right in a \$125,000,000 project does not lessen the value of our storage rights as an important first link in our chain of title to Colorado River water.

The second step was the acquiring by the City of an interest in the All-American Canal. Under this contract the City acquires diversion works in the Colorado River (Imperial Dam) and a canal with capacity to carry the City's water away from the river and 80 miles towards the place of intended use. Our share of the estimated cost of these works, \$400,000, is repayable to the United States without interest over a 38 year period. While the construction work on this canal is practically completed, it will take the Government another year to season and condition it and prepare it for actual operation. This contract gives the City the benefit of and the credit for its proportionate share of all work done by the Government on the canal including the preliminary surveys and construction work from the year 1934 to 1941.

So, to date, the City has fully complied with the requirement for "due diligence" and has done everything necessary to keep its rights to Colorado River water alive and in perfect legal condition. But it will be necessary for the City to continue to exercise due diligence in the future and make definite progress toward the completion of the works necessary to bring the water to San Diego. The mere payment of the annual installments due the government under the All-American Contract during the next 38 years will not comply with our state law which requires construction of actual works. Nor would it comply with our obligation to the United States. The storage contract of 1933 contains a provision that in the event water is not taken by the City within a period of ten years after the completion of Boulder Dam, such failure may be

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made the basis for declaring the contract cancelled. The United States accepted Boulder Dam from the contractors March 1, 1936, so the ten year period will be up March 1, 1946. It is hardly likely that Colorado River water will be brought to the City by that time but this does not mean that the City will lose its contract or its water rights, provided, in the meantime reasonable progress is made in prosecuting plans to take and use Colorado River Water. The law and the courts (and the United States will, too, I feel sure) take into consideration the magnitude of the work involved.

What then is the next step that the City should take to protect its Colorado River water rights? It seems to me that it might well be the organization of a local metropolitan water district to include the cities and unincorporated areas between the mountains and the sea and between Mexico and Del Mar which are capable and desirous of putting some of this water to a beneficial use. The water which we have under contract was really allocated by the State, not to the City alone but "to the City of San Diego and/or County of San Diego." This form of allocation of our quota of water was also adopted by the United States and the above quoted language carried into our contract of February 15, 1933. Our 112,000 acre feet of Boulder Dam water roughly approximates the net safe yield of all the rivers on which the City is now dependent for its supply, to-wit: The San Dieguito, the San Diego, the Otay and the Cottonwood. Thus it must be apparent that it is to the City's advantage to share the burdens and the benefits of acquiring this abundant supply of water with our near neighbors. These cities and areas adjacent to San Diego are subject to the same cycle of droughts as we are. The disastrous effect of the nine-year period from 1894-1895 to 1903-1904 when rivers and reservoirs ran dry can still be vividly remembered by residents who were living here then. It should be a warning to all public authorities that they have a grave responsibility to take all necessary steps to prevent another such cycle laying waste our communities.

It is believed that these neighboring communities would be ready to join the City of San Diego in working out a suitable plan for cooperation to bring the Colorado River water here if the City will only furnish the proper leadership for such a movement. It would take some time to work out the details, to secure the necessary enabling act from the Legislature and to perfect an organization capable of planning and carrying out this important undertaking. The Legislature meets in January of next year and the remainder

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of this year is not too much time to work out such an agreement among the communities interested. The organization of such a district would itself be another important step in complying with the requirement of law for due diligence and yet would cost the member cities very little money until they were ready and felt the need for actually bringing the water across the mountains. In the meantime it would have brought into existence a responsible agency capable of planning and taking whatever action might be necessary to protect this City's and this County's stake in the Colorado River.

In closing, it seems proper to recall the fact that on three successive occasions, beginning in 1934, the voters of this City have by substantial majorities (the last time by 2/3's vote) solemnly declared in favor of safeguarding this City's right to take Colorado River waters. These elections constitute the very last declaration on water policy by the people. In the face of this emphatic mandate it certainly is the duty of all public officials to adjust their private views to harmonize with this declared policy of the citizens of this City. The thrice declared wish of the people to take Colorado River water through the All-American Canal should now be accepted as the settled and controlling policy of this City as to its future water program and all steps taken by the City should harmonize 100 per cent with this policy.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) PHIL D. SWING
Phil D. Swing
Special Counsel

PDS:KR



May 22, 1922.

Santee Supply Co.,
Santee, Calif.

Gentlemen:

I had a conference with the city trustees of El Cajon last Wednesday night, and they have agreed at their next meeting in June to advertise for bids for the sale of bonds and also advertise for bids for the construction of the highway in the City of El Cajon, providing \$1500 is deposited in the Cuyamaca State Bank by the first of June as an evidence of good faith.

Will you please send a check to the Cuyamaca State Bank immediately for one half of your subscription on the understanding that the money will be refunded to you if the highway is not built. My understanding is that your subscription is \$100. Your check to the Cuyamaca State Bank at the present time should be \$50.

Kindly let me hear from you by return mail.

Yours very truly,

EF:AH

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IN CHARGE OF
W. WILSON

June 25 1922

Mr Ed Fletcher
Santee

Dear Mr Fletcher

Replying to yours of the 22nd will be glad to arrange the accommodation for you and party at the La Grulla Inn. Bob. as stated in your letter and will wait your letter giving exact date and number to be accommodated with kind regards in which my father joins me I remain
Sincerely
Fred Sawday

San Diego, California,
January 21, 1929.

Mr. Ed. Fletcher, Sr.,
820 - 8th Street,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Sir:-

I called at your office recently for the purpose of a personal interview, but after seeing so many men waiting, I discussed the matter I had in mind with your son, who agreed that it might be best to write a letter regarding the ambitions I have in mind.

I have come to California from Chicago very recently and am an accountant by profession. I have had considerable public accounting experience, corporation and general business accounting and office managing. My work has also embraced confidential and financial work for a wealthy gentleman who had diversified investments and businesses. In San Diego I unfortunately have not the acquaintance necessary to make a desirable connection.

I could accept an engagement immediately, and would like to connect with an organization that is progressive and has financial backing. I believe I can satisfy any question you might raise by letters of recommendation, in support of my ability and integrity.

I shall appreciate it very much if a personal interview can be arranged at your convenience, in the near future.

Yours very truly,


W. G. SHERFESE.

WGS:
Phone Hillcrest 7961-M
1520 Madison Avenue.

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January 23rd, 1929.

Mr. W. G. Sherfese
1520 Madison Avenue
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge your letter of January 21st applying for a position in my organization.

I am very sorry I cannot do anything for you at the present time, but would suggest that you see Mr. Raymond Wansley of Eldred & Wansley, in the Electric Building.

Yours very truly,

EF:GMT

March 11th, 1929.

Mr. W. J. Sherwood
125 South "L" Street
San Bernardino, California.

My dear Mr. Sherwood:

Received your letter regarding the compressor and will state that we received the compressor today in a knocked down or dismantled condition.

The electric wire cord which was attached to same when you took it, did not arrive. Also, there is a short nipple broken off in the threads of the compressor valve.

Mr. Mayer informs me that your motor or compressor was out of commission and I am wondering if you didn't borrow this outfit merely to use the motor or compressor until yours was repaired, having no intention to buy same. If such is true, don't you think we should be entitled to rental for the use of the motor and compressor?

I would never have allowed the machine to leave the studio, had I known it would be gone so long, or that you would just use parts of it to tide you over. I gave it to you in good faith, expecting you to try it out and if satisfactory that we would agree on a price as to its purchase. Now it seems that it was merely an accommodation to you and I would appreciate a check from you for \$25.00 rental on same. Also, please send the electric cord which was attached to the plant when you took it.

Sincerely yours,

EF, Jr:GMF

June Sixth,
1929

Mr. Bert Shindledecker,
Solana Beach,
Calif.

Dear Mr. Shindledecker:

Enclosed find deed for Lot 4, Block 12, Solana Beach to you, also certificate of title for this property free and clear of encumbrance in the name of Ed and Mary C. B. Fletcher.

Yours very truly,

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J. M. Mashed

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General Correspondence - Swing, Phil D.



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