

POway, Calif. Jan. 30, 1933.

Col. Ed Fletcher,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Col. Fletcher.

In regard to the reservoir I am sure we will get more benefit from a large one built on the first hill instead of the one we talked of. Your line does not go to the top of the higher hill and we would have to build on the side and it would not show from the road, while one built on top of the first hill would stand out fine. This first hill is high enough to furnish water to all the land that can be planted and would cost less to pump the water as it is 40ft. lower and 300 ft. nearer the well.

If you say to build on the first hill I will build a road to it so we can drive up with customers and from that point see all of the land also would not spoil it for a building site. Building a reservoir on the side of a hill looks like a pile of rock while one built on top shows what it is. I want to explain this to you so you can think it over and I will start in a short time.

The size should be 14 ft. inside and 10 ft. high and I will build it heavy enough so we can put 8 ft. on top when we need more capacity. This size will take about 40 loads of rock, 20 loads of sand, 110 sacks of cement, I have 20 sacks on hand. It will take 25 gal of gas to haul this extra material and I have two men here that will help me for \$1.00 per day. The total cost to you would be Lumber \$26.00, cement \$67.50 gas \$3.00, two men 15 days \$30.00 total \$126.50.

In regard to old lumber for a poultry house I would like to build one 20 ft. wide and 60 ft. long. Would put it on your land near the highway and use it for a demonstration and you could give me a letter in regard to me buying it some time. I would need 65- 2x4 10 ft. long, 64 2x4 12ft. long, 40 2x4 8 ft. long and 2500 ft. of sheathing, or I can change the size to suit the material you have.

In regard to seed for this spring if you will let me have \$12.00 worth I can plant enough to make a good showing also I will plant one lot near the highway.

Mrs. Clark will send us some customers when we have something to show and get our water in shape to make a price on. I will see about the County road camp using water from us.

Lets try and get Osterman fixed up soon and if I can do anything to help close that trust call me any time. I am watching that golf course and I think you can get hold of that from Hayward soon.

Yours truly,

John R. Eck.

Power
Dear Col Fitcher.

Poway Apr 28-33

I am sending Water Contract signed by the water users except San Diego & Naval Station.

The last one signed J. Markwalder will not be ready for water for about a month yet but will start his pay as soon as he is using water.

Advise me in regard to collection and payment of Power bill.

John R. Eek
J. R. Eek.

May Second
1933

Power
Mr. John R. Eek
Poway
California

My dear Mr. Eek:

I acknowledge receipt of yours of April 28th with petition duly signed.

I thought the oil station man was going to sign for \$2. Is not the county getting water already from us thru this pipe line?

What I would like to see done is this. Enough revenue to come in and pay for the pumping so that you could have the free use of the surplus water for farming purposes free in consideration of your clearing up the rest of the land, this arrangement to hold good for this year and next year reserving the right, however, to sell portions of the property at any time.

I want to see you make some money out of this thing owing to the fact that you have been so good, put so much time and labor without expense to me into the building of the reservoir.

Does something along this line appeal to you? Please let me know by return mail and should we not get the county to sign up? I don't want to, under any circumstances have you furnish any one with water excepting with my personal knowledge.

Does the pipe line run down to the big stone lodge and is there any one there being furnished with water thru the Hansen pipe lines? Or have they been cut off? Please answer all my questions in relation thereto.

Yours very truly,

EP:ASK

May Nineteenth
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Comary

Mr. John R. Eck
Poway
Calif.

My dear Eck:

Enclosed find letter which please answer.

Yours very truly,

EF:ASK

P. S. Is any water from our well being delivered to the Stone Lodge or to anyone else? Has the connection been cut off and what about the County? Are they not using our water? Please let me hear from you promptly.

May Twenty-sixth
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Comary

Mr. John R. Eck
Poway, Calif.

Dear Mr. Eck:

I am returning petition to you for the signature of the county and under no conditions are you to furnish any one with water unless they have signed the agreement of April 12th, 1935.

Yours very truly,

EF:ASK

Note:

Mr. Eck took agreement but not this letter.

May Twenty-sixth
1 9 3 3

Mr. John R. Eck
Poway
Calif.

My dear Mr. Eck:

Enclosed find copy of letter I have received from the Bank of America showing it is only a matter of time when we will get things cleaned up.

I have had a tough time as you know to get everybody eliminated so that the trust could be dissolved but the victory is in sight.

Very sincerely yours,

EF:ASK

Ed Fletcher Papers

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