

**Fisher, Jane -
Correspondence
with Carl G.
Fisher, 1929-1939**

Headquarters 6th Division
Cork.

March 8, 1921

Dear Mrs. Fisher,

When one has not got what one likes, one must, perforce, like what one has; and though I much prefer a manuscript letter, I am only too pleased to receive one from you, however recorded. There is, it seems to me, a decided charm in deciphering the writing of a letter &, always supposing that it is worth reading at all, & that one is interested in the writer of it, I maintain that one appreciates a manuscript epistle far more than one from which the characteristics of the writer have been eliminated & the contents of which one can muster almost at a glance.

To your statement that a typewriter saves your time I reply "Swish". I can picture you to myself, laboriously picking out the letters on your machine at about one quarter the speed at which you could write; very much as I do when I am particularly anxious that some effusion of mine shall find favour in the eye of an editor & appear in print; the only difference probably is in the amount of profanity (or its feminine equivalent) which the performance gives rise to.

I am so glad to hear that you got my letter & the drawing by Bateman I sent you.

The facial likeness (quite apart from the equally striking similarity of character) appealed to me so forcibly that I could not resist the temptation of sending it to you. Evidently it must have struck you too, or you would not have bailed over so readily. Incidentally, I may say that it would not have worried me one bit if you had been my "handful." Shakespeare has shown us the way of taming troublesome wives.

Now before I go any further, & engage in more polemics, I really must thank you for your lovely candy. Owing to its extremely luscious nature I had ~~a~~ great difficulty in not keeping it to myself, but just to prove your estimate of myself wrong I did share it with my fellow exiles & needles to say they bless you for it & will remember it to your credit in the coming war between us. They sincerely hope I shall still be among them next Xmas & even suggest that midsummer is an equally excellent time of year to distribute such largesse to suffering soldiers like ourselves!

By the bye, last year I sent you (at your own request) a most beautiful stocking to be filled up by Santa Claus, instead of which you spurned it with utter contempt & heaped abuse on my long suffering head. Next time I shall send you one of the Brabdingnagian fisherman's

stashings which we used to wear inside our thighboots during the war. What sort of reception will that receive I wonder.

You have no conception, (neither have the people at home, for that matter) of the existence we lead here & which is getting daily worse. The amount of work is prodigious & the opportunities for recreation nil. When one goes out of barracks one sneaks about in daylight dressed as disreputably as possible & with one hand on one's "gun" carefully concealed but ready for emergencies in the most approved "western style". At night nothing short of a strong escort is possible & even so what is there to prevent (& it has happened here on ~~several~~ number of occasions) a bomb being thrown in their midst from an adjoining house. Moving about the country is almost sure to result in an ambush sooner or later. Two nights ago a General & two of his officers were murdered that way; only a week ago a widespread attack was made in this town on the unarmed Tommy's who were "walking out" on pass, six killed & ten badly wounded; shortly before that a Divisional Commissioner of Police & three of his men were foully murdered after their motor car had been disabled by a road mine.

I need hardly tell you that continually to hear & see nothing but this sort of thing / the other night we sat up all night

as an attack on the barracks (now expected) gets badly on one's nerves. Home is but a few miles away but as we are situated here, it might as well be thousands. The politicians' cry for economy renders us fearfully short handed so that leave becomes unattainable (I have been here since Sept. 1 & have no prospect of leave before next August.) One longs to exchange this process of stealthy murder for the straightforward fighting of the late war.

Under these circumstances I think you will understand how pleasant it is to receive letters & news from the outer world, from places where, but for my folly in accepting this appointment, I might have been enjoying myself free from all cares & worries & free from the mental strain of knowing that you are watched & followed wherever you go. However there is no use in "grousing" as soon as I get an opportunity I shall resign my Commission but in the meantime there is nothing for it but to carry on. Don't forget how welcome your letters & bits of news are to us.

To return to your letter: I don't wonder at your being taken ill in Paris; they do make such lovely candy; & Rumpel Meyer's cakes are enough to tempt the most confirmed hypochondriac into an orgy of excesses.

Now don't be sulky like a naughty child, but send me some more snap shots

of your surroundings at Miami (we won't mention mosquitoes this time as they are evidently a sore point with you.) I have not yet seen a picture of your new hotel of your home, of your motor boat, & (for at least three years) of yourself. Surely you must sometimes wear ordinary clothes & I promise not to laugh at you in any reasonable get up. Do you ride astride or side saddle?

What does a bachelor know of a woman's clothes? Why, a devil of a lot of course, for unlike the married man whose horizon is limited to his "one & only," the acquaintance of the bachelor with such things is usually "extensive & peculiar" just as a sailor is said to have a wife in every port, so a soldier has one at every station!

What a true genius at match making you really are. Don't you realize that the surest way to get a woman to jump at a man is to warn her against him? I shall feel ever so much obliged if you will help me that way when the time comes. I always knew you would stick by me in an emergency like that. You know I should make an ideal husband: keep my wife in order, spend her money & allow her to divorce me in the most approved American style.

I am sorry to hear you don't go in for practicalities. Think of the opportunities you

love of appearing in the limelight dressed
in ~~my~~ star spangled banners & all sorts
of weird rig outs; of the opportunities of
shrieking defiance, hatred & abuse at
poor old England (which smiles behind its
hand); of worshipping Hiram Johnson,
Borah, La Follette, & the like. I can
picture you to myself of a morning in
bed imbibing the sentiments of our
Randolph Hearst & Co with your early
morning tea; & I am quite sure that on
the whole you would go to war with
us far more readily than you did with
The Hun. Someone remarked rather
cleverly the other day: "They [the Americans]
don't like us as friends; I wonder how
they would like us as enemies?"

Carl is well & happy in spite of his
"landful." I am indeed glad to hear it;
but then, what with palapponies, motor
cars & boats, all sorts of sports & plenty
of money, even a Mormon might well
be happy.

I think that in "The Pelican" you have
struck a gorgeously appropriate name
for your new hotel as there is not the
least doubt that the guest's bill will
be as prominent a feature as that of
the tutelary bird. Am I entitled to a
discount when I stay there?

I really must correct one mistake
caused evidently by my inability to
write American correctly. In my last

letter I said I was going hunting when on leave (unfortunately the leave did not come off). Now hunting is a form of pursuit of game in which firearms take no part; it consists of riding to hounds, & if you will take yourself to the neighbourhood of Philadelphia you will find several packs of hounds there & can enjoy the sport of your life. "The sport of kings, the image of war with only 25% of the danger" as Mr Jorruach used to say. (If you have never read Surtees, go & do so at once)

I wish you would tell me what you really think of prohibition. Do you think that on the whole it is beneficial to the country? Will the evasions of the law increase or decrease as people become more accustomed to it?

I feel that this letter is disjointed & incoherent, but shall let it go as it stands, as I absolutely lack the time to recast it or improve it. There is little time for letter writing here & I consider myself lucky if I finish my work in time to dress for men.

You would probably laugh if you saw us now so dressed; we have gone back to pre-war mess dress & I am sure the scarlet of the jackets, so typical, according to foreigners, of the arrogance & perfidiousness of Albion, would make you quash your "gold stopped teeth" tear your artificial, peroxide, locks

& long to trample on the poor British lion's tail. But for that, I am sure you would like our appearance: the short tailless jackets, the beautiful tight fitting overalls & patent leather Wellington boots are as smart as anything can be, though hopelessly impractical in this utilitarian age. But then it is not a bad thing to be neat & trim once more after the somewhat demoralisingly slipshod ways engendered by too many years of unadulterated Khaki.

By the by I do hope the crease at the top of these sheets won't cause you any mental or bodily discomfort!

Now do write & tell me all about what is happening & when you go back north, send me a photo of "Dorson Heath" I never have seen it yet.

In the mean time, believe me, dear Mrs Fisher.

Yours sincerely

Charles A. Branston.

P.S. My house has a
one on the back of
for not middle for
for not a middle. Still one for.



My dear Carl: -

Sarah Shown has

been to see me and
she is dreadfully agitated
about the proposed gas-
oline station to be erected
on the corner above
my house in Miami
Beach and in fact I
am a great deal

concerned myself. You
know it would be a
great detriment to all
that property and
it seems to me that
under the new zoning
can make all that
property strictly
residential. The
Beach should surely
have one district
with out business

and I was under the
impression when I bought
the place that all that Pa
yourself subdivision was
strictly residential. Can't
you do something about this
situation and will that gas
station going up? I can't bear
to have my little place so spoiled.
Last night I went to a dinner
party given for Lee Ellwell
his wife - me

all went down to the
boat to see him off.
It was nice seeing her
again!

Saw meeting John & Lin
& "Pete" Chase regarding
this gas station - I hear
they are both with you now.

To let me hear from
you. Some friends friend
very attractive people) Mr. & Mrs.
Errett Cady plan going to
Montauk next week I would
like him to ride Cuba and
any courtesy you can extend
him would be greatly appreciated
on me - they would like a seat at the table
I'll tell you date later. Love
- Jane

Wednesday



Dear Carl: -

I want a saddle horse
of my very own - I am
tired of riding a horse
belonging to some one
else and hurting my
neck riding a horse
that stumbles - so I
thought you might
like to sell me one
of your tried & true

(2)
animals - I am about
that "family" horse I
rode several times
this past winter in Pa.
I liked her very much
and she is a good
looking nice tempered
mare. Please let me
know as soon as possible
what you have and
how much. also I
would like to have a
gentle horse for John

He is big enough now to carry
a horse instead of a pony and
I would like to have been ride
with me, so please dear let me
know if you can sell me the
two horses. I want to ^{know} also if you
have an extra saddle you will
sell me.

I do love a horse as you well
know and would rather ride
than eat so of course the first
person I thought of was you when

I made up my mind to
own my very own horse
again as I knew you
would not let me have
a horse that was not
just right - there are
few "horse dealers" like that
you know.

I see it's hot.
I'll be impatient until
I receive your answer
Dear so please hurry - I'm
so anxious to know - if I can
buy "Fanny" - she suited
me so well.

Hope you are well + happy
My love + all best wishes
I love



Dear Carol :-

Sir John Mullius
reputed to be the sixth
richest man in London
England, and his wife
Lady Mullius and a
friend (3 people) and
two servants (valet + maid)
want reservations in
Miami Beach on
January sixth until
January sixteenth. Will

You please make the
very best reservations
you can for them -
I would suggest the
Nautilus. They are
especially good friends
of ours and I am
extremely anxious that
they are well taken
care of. Sir John
is a great friend of
Sol Suqunhin & has

just gone home from a visit to
him. When Mr. Suggenheim
visited him last summer he
rented the finest shooting lodge
in Scotland for two weeks to enter-
tain him in. I tell you this so
you will understand he is the
real thing and only the best
accommodations will be suitable
for them.

Will you please answer at
once telling me the reservations.

and confirm my this
letter so I can cable
Sir John.

Did you receive a
tiny thought I sent
you on October 23rd?

Sorry you failed to
drop in and say goodbye
before you left.

You should see June
Rose - quiet as a lamb -
she certainly can jump
and twirl like the wind.
I adore her & miss every day.
Hope you are well.

Love
Law

Mr. 16-29

May 23, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
East Williston,
L.I., New York.

My dear Jane:

I don't know anything of a gasoline station going up near your house -- certainly not on Alton Road. However, Pete Chase will be able to give you more definite particulars than I can.

I will speak to Galloway about your scrap book. I received the hat o.k. It has been a big job moving; everything has been turned up and we are giving away in junk about eight or ten wagon loads of miscellaneous old furniture that has been hauled from Indianapolis back and forth and some of the things just a nuisance.

I am sorry you had made arrangements for your extra funds as this investment is a very good one at six per cent.

With the frontage you have and the location which is always desirable, next the golf course, your property is worth more than \$9,000 per acre. I have just built a house here at Montauk and I know the cost of such a building as you have, and the conditions of the building you have makes it easily worth \$100,000. As you know, the swimming pool cost \$12,000 or \$13,000. You also know the improvements I put on the grounds ran into a lot of money, so I think you should ask \$350,000 for your place and you will get it some of these days. It won't hurt you to ask \$350,000 for it and keep it through this season as it looks like there will be a big demand for suburban property. It may not run out as far as Montauk but there certainly is a big demand right near New York. If I had hung out for \$400,000 on the Sands Point place I would have received \$400,000 just as easily as I got \$350,000.

Yours,

CGF:T

P.S. Regarding Gubat: He seemed to be all right last year except when other horses were around when he developed a very strong mouth. I don't know how he is this year. He ought to be old enough to settle down.

Jane

June 5th-1929.

Dear Carl;-

Thanks for yours of the 23rd of May. I have heard from Chase that the proposed gasoline station will not be erected at 62nd street as they got to-gether and quickly passed an ordinance against it. I am very glad for it would have put a black eye on my property to have a gas station so near it.

On Friday Jeanne Gowen is going with me to West Newton Mass to bring John home from school. I am anxious to have him home again -he certainly livens up the house when he is in it.

From all sides I hear favorable talk of Montauk. I do hope you have a big season. I am riding horseback every day and I do so enjoy it these cool days- the woods are so lovely to ride through.

Do you ever get down to this part of the Island? I should love to see you. Let me know wome day when you will come this way so I will be at home.

Thanks for your suggestions about the asking price of this place. I think you are perfectly right and I will do as you say.

I trust you are enjoying your new house please ask Galloway again if he found my book of pictures I took out in China. I do wish Cuba had a softer mouth-it would be such fun to ride my own horse once again. Are you riding now? Take good care of yourself dear and do not get too fat. I hope you are well.

As always,

Jane

Montauk

June 7, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
Orchard Meadows,
East Williston,
Long Island.

Dear Jane:

I have yours of the fifth. I won't be getting in town very often now until late in the fall, except to go on through to New York for business meetings now and then.

Regarding Cuba: Our men say he is not a ladies' horse and while he is not vicious he is very spirited and, as our English groom stated, occasionally he "goes goofy" and wants to run. Under such circumstances, if he should run with you and you could not hold him it would be very dangerous.

I tried to interest Lee Olwell in him the other day and Lee said he would be out today or tomorrow and try him. I told him I thought you would sell him for three hundred dollars. Lee is a very good horseman and can ride anything that can be ridden. However, day before yesterday, we turned Cuba out in the pasture and he got in a fight with another horse and got kicked on the front leg. It was quite a severe kick and we had to take six stitches. Altogether, this horse is a damn nuisance, especially since Bob Bullock is not here. I think if Lee Olwell does not buy him, you had best send for him and bring him there and sell him at some of those horse sales. At times I suppose you could ride him and enjoy it very much but he has a very wicked looking eye and I don't think you had better take a chance on him.

I think you will get your price for your place some of these days. A lot of people are coming out to this country.

Yours,

CGF:T

Law Monday

Dear Carl: -

Yours of the strength
should have been
answered before this
late date but I've been
busy or too hot to stay
indoors and write letters.

If Lee Ellwell wants
to buy "Cuba" and you
think it right to sell
him go ahead and
dear. It seems to me
any money you get for

him rightfully belong
you as you have fed &
cared for him this long
while. I am so sorry
Cuba got kicked and
do hope his leg has satis-
factorily healed. It is
really too bad we did
not go through with the
idea of sending "Cuba"
over to Captain Gimenez
as it has since turned
out - but all's well that
ends well and I trust
some one will get him
who will love and care
for him properly. He
is a beautiful animal & I
loved him.

Law

Is it - it just too dreadful
about poor Keck being
killed? Am was the
Case in Judicials
this year? I heard you
were there.

The other day I re-
ceived the beautiful
mountain booklet - I
have read every word
and looked at and
enjoyed all the pictures
your house is attractive
and looks extremely comfortable

I trust you are happy
and satisfied with it.
New house is always lots
of trouble to settle. - I know
He settled a few of them
in very time - Ha!

It is very hot today
but I am off for a
ride through the woods
in a few minutes. Then
I'll have a swim in the
pool this afternoon -
I am feeling fine!

Jack is a great boy
I am so proud of him
he looks fine & is such
a splendid little fellow.
I wish you could see him.
My cook asked permission
the other day to have her

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Law

ten year old grandson
here this summer and
I consented thinking it
would be good for Jack
to have a companion his
own age - The boy turns
out to be the son of "Bart"
our old Captain and
is the image of him -
I wish that Jeremy? He
is a nice little fellow +
I enjoy having the 2
boys together - you know
I always did like kids
I should have had 6 or 8.

When I began this I did not expect to write such a long one but maybe you will not mind taking a little time to decipher my scribbles.

I would like to see
you.

Love

I am

Montauk

June 25, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
Orchard Meadows,
East Williston, Long Island.

Dear Jane:

I have yours of recent date. Mr. Olwell will try Cuba in the next few days. I will let you know what happens.

Considering that the horse was presented to us, I don't think it is very good taste to sell it and I believe it would be better to give the horse to Lee Olwell than to sell it for three hundred dollars -- that is, if he can ride it. If he gets through the trials o.k. I will let you know.

I am delighted that the son of Barth is with John. Barth was a very bright fellow and the boy should be o.k.

I understand the purchases of property are gradually creeping right out your way and that some of these days you will sell the place. If you do, you ought to have a location out here, and this is a good time to get it.

Yours,

CGF:T

Paul

Dear Paul: -

Of course I will be interested to learn if Lee Ullrell can ride Cuba and I hope he will appreciate and love him and care for him. I was always so proud of that horse and am sure I can never hope to own another so beautiful. Does Lee know Cuba was my pride & joy?

When we do sell East Williston you can be assured we will try and

get a place in mind
but at the rate (for all I
fear) that you are selling
all the desirable places
will ^{soon} be gone. Everyone
talks of muntack - its
beauty - the Beach - the
hotel - the Club and in
fact all its wonderful
possibilities. I am so proud
dear that you have put
this development over and
built another monument to
your judgment and vision
It must be satisfying and
gratifying to have accomplished
so much and given two magni-
ficent play-grounds to thousands
of people to enjoy.

I hope you are well and
happy. Truly two maids + a

ORCHARD MEADOWS
EAST WILLISTON
LONG ISLAND

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cook who said they had
been working for you
in Muntank applied to me
for positions - I did not
need anyone then but
since then my good cook
has been called home on
account of illness and she
leaves on Monday & takes
Albert (Bart's son) with her.
John is broken-hearted.

I'd a new cook a German
coming Monday. It seems
every one has servant problems
these days - hope yours
are settled. Loving Galkway

makes things easier for
I am ridley-smiling
playing tennis every day
so you know I am in good
condition. Some day I
hope to find and own a
reliable good saddle horse
quiet when I wish to ride
gently & enough fire and
spirit when I wish to dash
about - the combination is
difficult to find. I am
still riding the "Stumbler"
but he is much better since
they changed blacksmiths. He
is really a very nice horse.
I heard your aircar was
at Ford Post the other day -
rather hoped you were there &
mild call. We are all well &
yours
Jane

Montauk.

July 2, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island.

Dear Jane:

Lee Olwell has been delayed in coming to Montauk. The last time he was here, Guba was laid up in the barn with four or five stitches in his leg. He is out now and Murdo Morrison is the only one riding him, but I expect Lee here in a few days.

It is very good of you to ask me to take over any money received for Guba. The horse has been a lot of expense and trouble and has not been any good to us for any of our guests or friends to ride. Outside Bob and Murdo we have not had any use of him. However, if Lee can ride him, I am going to give him to Lee and not sell him, for the reason he would take him off our hands. Also, I am under several obligations to Lee and you are, too, and I think it would be a nice thing to give away a horse that has been given to us instead of selling him.

Yours,

CGF:T

Montauk

July 12, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island.

Dear Jane:

I have yours of Wednesday. As you probably know, most of the horses we have out here are polo ponies that did not perform properly in polo and, of course, they made wonderful saddle horses. I don't think I have anything that would suit you; in fact, we only have four and they are kept busy every day.

I would advise you to go over to see Fred Post and let him find for you the right kind of a horse that does not play polo properly. He has many horses that cost him \$200 or \$300 in Texas and after he pays freight on them and gets them up at East Williston and spends another \$100 or so on them they are not just what they should be, so he naturally sells them at any price he can get to get rid of the horses. These horses are good saddle horses and they have spirit and are strong and won't stumble or fall down on you; as of course no one can sell Fred Post a horse that is blind or cock-eyed or half witted. So go over and tell Fred Post you want a saddle horse and you want to give \$300 for it and let him find one for you. He can find for Jack the same kind of a horse.

It is very cool and pleasant out here, and all the time you are sweltering in the city we have a fire in the grate every day.

Yours,

CGF:T

August 30, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island.

My dear Jane:

Mrs. Throm was in to see me the other day about the filling station and I told her the matter was entirely in the hands of the City Commission to do what they could.

The property, unfortunately, was sold unrestricted and I don't know what can be done about it.

Yours,

CGF:T

ORCHARD MEADOWS
EAST WILLISTON
LONG ISLAND

October 7-29

Dear Carl: -

The enclosed letter
came from Jess in
reply to the letter I
note at your suggestion
I also note words and
will probably have
better results for him.

I do hope the big
storm did no damage
to anything of yours
and that you were not
too worried.

When do you go
South?

my best to youde
and I hope you
are well.

Love

Lane

THE PINES FARM

Jess C. Andrew

WEST POINT, INDIANA

October 4, 1929

SHROPSHIRE SHEEP JCA:K
ABERDEEN ANGUS CATTLE
BELGIAN HORSES
POLAND CHINA HOGS

My dear Jane:

I have yours regarding the mare "June Rose". As far as I know this mare never had a pedigree. She probably came from England as she belonged to the Phipps some years ago. You might ask them if they know of any pedigree that might be in existence for this mare.

I am glad you like her. I was always very fond of her and she has given me many a good period of polo.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Jess
H.

Mrs. R. G. Johnson
East Williston
Long Island, New York

October 9, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island.

Dear Jane:

Thanks for yours of the seventh. I am quite sure the Phipps people have a pedigree and that Murdo can get it for you. I am indeed very glad you like the mare. I think she was too high strung to be razed at polo or ridden by miscellaneous visitors here.

We had very little damage from the storm -- most of it was foliage and a few windows were broken out because they were not properly puttied in. Awnings caused a great deal of damage in the previous storm and this year the awnings were taken down and a great many shutters were put up. They certainly do help.

I expect to go south about as usual between the 25th and the first. I have some business to attend to here before I can get away. I will try to drop in to see you and say Good Bye before I leave. I have been to Port Washington twice recently but I have been so busy just had time to jump in the car and get back here to work. I am playing tennis every afternoon at three o'clock and I hate very much to miss my exercise.

Very best regards and good luck.
I guess your house was not damaged or you would have heard of same.

Yours,

CGF:T

October 16, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island.

Dear Jane:

During the flurry we had in sales here two years ago, several sales were made at very low prices, and as our property here has had no phenomenal advance or big boom three different pieces of the property can be picked up now at a very low figure. If you have \$20,000 or \$25,000 you want to invest, I can get you some property here that will undoubtedly in a few years give you some big returns -- better than any five per cent or any other bonds you have.

One particularly good piece is a lake water front lot -- in fact, three different pieces are lake locations.

Yours,

CGF:T

November 20, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. C. Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island,

Dear Jane:

I have yours of recent date regarding Sir John Mullins' reservation, and we will take care of them at the Flamingo as it opens on the fourth of January. It is possible, if Mrs. Kettering does not get down in time, we can let Sir John have what was my suite. This has a beautiful porch, as you know, and it is the best thing we have in the hotel. I don't believe the Nautilus opens until the 10th. Thanks very much for your interest, and we will look after Sir John. I will send him down on the boat to Coccolobo for a lunch.

I hope you are well. I received the souvenir you refer to. Thanks very much for same.

Best regards.

Yours,

P.S.

CGF:T

The Sitting room, two Bedrooms and the Porch rent for One Hundred Dollars per day, American Plan. Mrs. Kettering has had these rooms for two years and I am writing her to ask if she will be here before the 16th. If she expects to use the rooms before that time, we have three splendid rooms with two baths and a porch in the Annex at the Lincoln. These are easily the next best quarters, except that Sir John would have to walk across the street. We can give him other accommodations at the Flamingo that would be very nice at less money but without the porch. If you will let me know what you think will suit him best, we will take care of him.

December 2, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island.

Dear Jane:

I have yours of no date. I got all mixed up in trying to fool with the reservation, not knowing Mrs. Kettering had made reservation for the same apartment this year. However, Charlie Krom has everything straightened up and is going to take care of Sir John in one of the best cottages. We have had the cottages all done over and put in splendid condition and have built a new one for Charles Fisher.

We are putting in a new aquarium at the Flamingo; it is going to be very interesting for children, and I think for the grown people also.

Glad you continue to like the horse.
Very best regards.

Yours,

CCF:T

Tuesday.

Dear Carl,-

Thanks for your very nice letter of the 20th. The reservations for Sir John are fine. I am sure he would enjoy having the suite you speak of. At any rate take care of them at the Flamingo and if it is impossible to have your old suite can you give them the other one on the same floor. I do hope they can have yours as I am very anxious for Sir John and his party to be favorably impressed by their visit to Miami Beach. It will be wonderfully nice of you to send them for a trip down the Bay on your boat.

I am ashamed of the way this letter looks but something has gone queer about this machine-I think I need a new ribbon and I haven't one in the house. So 'scuse please.

I am going to try and get down south about the time Sir John and Lady Mullins arrive so I can take them around and show them the sights.

My mare is a lamb-just as gentle as a can be and the sweetest thing imaginable. I adore her and ride every day. Did you ship any horses south-anything that I can ride?

Hope you have a nice Thanksgiving-I guess we all have a great deal to be thankful for-at least we have to believe we have anyway.

Glad you received my little thought. We are all well. My love, dear to you and thanks again for attending to the reservation for Sir John.

Yours,

Lane

December 5-'29.

Lave

Dear Carl:-

Mr. Krom has written that Mrs. Kettering would occupy her suite and that it would not be available for Sir John Mullens and his party. I am very sorry about that as I did so want them to have that suite but however I am sure they will like the cottage very much.

I am enclosing a letter I had the other day-self-explanatory. I believe it is some one who really is interested in buying my lot. I have referred them to your office for price and full particulars as I do not know what the price should be. Will you have some one get in touch with these people? It has been very cold here lately I am going to try to get down by the sixth so I can show the Mullens around a bit.

My love to you, dear. I hope you are feeling fine. All well here. In a letter from Jack the other day he said, "All I want for Xmas is a Moter Boat, a viktrola, a tiprighter and some good books". Do you think school is doing him much good? I wrote back and told him he had better learn to spell the things he wanted before he could hope to get them. His wants are rather high I think.

So long, I'll be seeing you soon. We went to see Will Roger's new talkie this eve and it is marvelous-if you have not seen it don't fail to do so.

Yours,

Lave

December 13, 1929.

Mrs. Robt. G. Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island, N.Y.

Dear Jane:

Regarding the sale of your lot: The letter you refer to is just a standard letter by a real estate dealer as they are being sent out here by the thousands. If you get two or three people trying to sell the same lot, it some times musses up the deal. Our company took a stand some time since that we will not handle resales except exclusively as we don't want to come in dickering contact with other dealers.

Our season is opening up better than last year and we expect an unusually good season with the hotels. We are not yet sure regarding the buying of lots but there has been more property sold here this last November than in the year previous for that month.

I think if you get J ok a typewriter it will be the best thing for him to have.

Best regards.

Yours,

GCF:T

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Carl G. Fisher

DATE January 5, 1951

FROM Paul Kunschik

SUBJECT REAL ESTATE TRANSFER - MRS. ROBERT
G. JOHNSON

I return to you herewith your file and map with reference to the proposal made to Mrs. Robert G. Johnson. Mr. Muir and I called on her attorney, Judge Smathers, yesterday and obtained from him a rather preposterous proposition. He is willing to recommend to her that she accept Lot 6 of Block 9, Palm View Subdivision, but not Lot 6 of Block 62, Lincoln Subdivision. He suggests in lieu of Lot 6, Block 62, Lincoln Subdivision that we convey to her 100 feet on Lincoln Road in the golf course strip. In any event he says the payment of \$2,500.00 due January 10th should be made; that six subsequent payments can be settled by the conveyance of the two parcels of real estate. This is ridiculous in that the Lincoln Road frontage is worth six to seven times as much as the Meridian Avenue lot and is appraised by Mr. Chase at \$50,000.00. This plus the \$12,500.00 on the Palm View lot makes a total list of \$62,500.00 for the two parcels of real estate, which is a rather large bonus to pay for a \$15,000.00 cash obligation. If I may I would like to suggest that you make a counter proposal now, offering the Palm View lot plus the Lincoln Road frontage if she will accept same in full settlement of twenty-four monthly payments.

I would like to convey to you the information that Judge Smathers received us very courteously, but had obtained from Mrs. Johnson the impression that Mr. Davis had told her that you were contemplating going into bankruptcy. I assured Judge Smathers that the question of bankruptcy had not entered into the present proposal at all and that it was our hope that the question of bankruptcy never would have to enter into the proposition; that our present offer was made because your Miami Beach companies required their available money to carry on and were not able to finance your personal obligations as they had in the past, but that it was hoped that in a short time ways and means would be found of carrying on not only the company affairs but your personal affairs satisfactorily. I believe you will approve of the explanation that I made in this case. I rather think it unfortunate if Hugh Davis did give Mrs. Johnson the impression that bankruptcy proceedings were imminent.

PK:MKH

Paul Kunschik
PAUL KUNSCHIK

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Carl G. Fisher

DATE January 23, 1931

FROM Paul Kunschik

SUBJECT MRS. ROBERT G. JOHNSON - MONTHLY
ALLOWANCE

Mrs. Robert G. Johnson has telephoned me twice concerning her monthly allowance. Saturday morning before you left here you stated that you would see her personally on this subject. I would, therefore, like to turn the entire matter over to you.

PK:MKH

Paul Kunschik

PAUL KUNSCHIK

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Carl G. Fisher

DATE March 31, 1932

FROM Paul Kunschik

SUBJECT TAXES AND LIENS ON ALTON BEACH PROPERTY

I return to you herewith statement of taxes and liens on certain Alton Beach property, which you handed to me the other day for further information concerning the item of \$3,619.08, representing liens and interest assessed against Lot 1, Block 11, Island View Subdivision. We find that the liens are as follows:

109.72 feet along 19th Street frontage assessed at \$9.02 a foot, representing one-half the street assessment, the other half being assessed against the property on the opposite side of the street.

On Dade Boulevard there are 235.47 feet assessed at \$15.89 per foot, representing one-half assessment for the improvement of Dade Boulevard. We are advised by the City that the City paid \$55,959.18 of the cost of improvement of Dade Boulevard and assessed against private properties \$41,334.78; therefore the assessment as made apparently is in order.

In the sum of \$3,619.08 due this year we have included interest on the entire assessment to date as required by the city. This interest dates from October 6, 1926. The balance of the assessment would be payable in 1933 and 1934 unless your company fails to make payment at the present time, in which event the entire amount of the liens may be advertised for sale this coming summer.

PK:MKH

Paul Kunschik
PAUL KUNSCHIK

4/4/31

MRS. ROBERT GROAT JOHNSON
6005 NORTH ALTON ROAD
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

My dear Carl: -

As I am going
to be away for some
time and my address
rather uncertain will
you be good enough to
send my check ^{each month} to
my attorney Mr. Frank
Smathers First National

Bank building Miami,
Florida, until further
notice - J banks -

Yours -

Jane

April 4 - '31

P.S.

Will you please give
these instructions of address
to Mr. Kunschick?

J.J.

6005 NORTH ALTON ROAD
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

My house situated on
the La Jolla Golf Course
at 6005 North Alton Road
Miami Beach is an
attractive stucco house
of Spanish architectural
style. It consists of a large
living room high ceiling
dining room kitchen
with good butler's pantry
large screened & glassed

porch entirely across
front of house with cement
floor - all the upper
floors downstairs are tile
upstairs 3 level - three
masters bed. rooms and
two baths - three servants
rooms & bath & sewing-
room - an upstairs bal-
cony has a tiled floor
and looks into a charming
patio done in the Japanese
garden effect with little

bridges lanterns and waterfalls
There is a one-car garage all
under the servant's quarters which
are reached by a separate stair-
way from the kitchen - they are
entirely separated by a door - hall
from the master's quarters.

The house is completely furnished
the living room with rare old
authentic pieces brought from Spain
the dining room has a ~~table~~
painting over the buffet - there

is a Wilder moonlight scene in
the living room and a rare old
painting "Cavalier" in mood with
his bright red coat makes a charming
bit of color over the fireplace

The porch is unique with its
modernistic treatment the colors
blending to make a harmonious
picture that must be seen to be
appreciated. The grounds are well
landscaped & planted - attractive iron
work gates & grills add effectively to
the home a carved figure is over the gate-way
Mrs. James Johnson

6005 NORTH ALTON ROAD
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

Dear Carl: -

Allow me to
congratulate you on
your exceedingly timely
and well written open
letter to Alfred Sloan
and Henry Ford that
appeared in yesterday's
Daily News.
If a few more

fearless clear thinking
business men would
come out in the open
and express them-
selves with equal
civility as you
have perhaps the
Congressman could
be stopped from
further crippling and

finally killing all business.

again my sincere
congratulations

I am

Monday

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Hugh Davis

DATE December 21, 1931

FROM C. W. Chase, Jr.

SUBJECT _____

I am attaching herewith map of the lower half of Miami Beach and have indicated in blue arrow marks Lot 6 of Block 9, Palm View Subdivision and also Lot 6 of Block 62, Lincoln Subdivision.

Our prices on these properties have been \$12,500. on Lot 6 of Block 9, Palm View and \$7,500. on Lot 6 of Block 62, Lincoln Subdivision, making a total of \$20,000.

Adjoining Lot 6 of Block 9, Palm View there has been built during the past summer a very beautiful home facing on the water way, upon which this Lot 6 also faces. On the next lot immediately West of this new home is the home of Henry Salem Hubbell and immediately West of his home is another of Mr. Hubbell's homes that forms such an attractive Venetian setting for this neighborhood. On the second lot East of this Palm View property is where I have built my new residence.

The neighborhood has experienced quite a bit of new building activity during the past fifteen months and includes some of our very best Miami Beach families.

Regarding Lot 6 of Block 62, Lincoln Subdivision, this is one of the best apartment house sites on Miami Beach, as the property faces East on Meridian Avenue (one of our main thoroughfares) and is a very central and splendid apartment house location.

Even at today's lowered price I would estimate that \$15,000. would be a very cheap price for this property.

CWC:M
ATTACH

C. W. CHASE, JR.

C O P Y

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HUGH DAVIS

600 MAIN ST NORFOLK VIR

PLEASE ADVISE CARL AM INTERESTED IN LOT PROPOSITION AND TO SEE
MY ATTORNEY FRANK SMATHERS MIAMI IN WHOSE HANDS I HAVE PLACED
THE MATTER HOPE YOUR CHRISTMAS WAS A HAPPY ONE AND THAT THE NEW YEAR
WILL BE HAPPY HEALTHY AND PROSPEROUS FOR YOU

JANE.

THREE HUNDRED EAST MAIN STREET
NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

28 December 1931

My dear Skipper:

I have the inclosed tele-
gram from Jane this morning.

I presume that you will
conclude the matter down there.

With all good wishes, I
am

Faithfully yours
HWD

Hugh W. Davis

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Carl G. Fisher Co.
Miami Beach, Florida

HWD:ES
Incl.

1932 Taxes

pk

Date ?

Lots Covered by Mortgages
\$38,800.00

How home, ?

Lot	Blk	Subdivision	1/3 Liens & Int.	State & Co. Tax	City Tax	Total Tax	
1	1	Osborne Tract		\$386.12	\$460.00	\$846.12	(Bldg.)
1	11	Island View	\$3,619.08	87.98	156.40	3,863.46	
1	10	Palm View	35.68	41.06	55.20	131.94	
W ¹ / ₂ 8	16	Island View	6.40	31.78	34.50	72.68	(Bldg.)
			<u>\$3,661.16</u>	<u>\$546.94</u>	<u>\$706.10</u>	<u>\$4,914.20</u>	
							\$4,914.20

Other Lots.

6	9	Palm View	151.18	73.31	94.30	318.79
6	62	Lincoln	32.75	31.78	41.40	73.18
18	49	Lincoln	47.11	58.12	55.20	140.43
20	63	Lincoln	96.07	35.19	55.20	186.46
			<u>\$294.36</u>	<u>\$178.40</u>	<u>\$246.10</u>	<u>\$718.86</u>

Bot see me

718.86
 \$5,633.06
 36116
 1,976.90
 294.36
 \$1,677.54

January 21, 1932

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island, New York.

Dear Jane:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to the First
Trust and Savings Bank with respect to the transfer
of Jack's trust on Lot 16, Block 108, Ocean Beach Ad-
dition No. 3 to you.

Yours,

Enclosure

WWM-m

January 21, 1932

First Trust and Savings Bank,
Miami,
Florida.

Attention Mr. Stanley Milledge, Trust Officer.

Gentlemen:

With respect to the trust deed from ourselves to you as Trustee, dated June 14, 1924, covering Lot 18 of Block 108 according to the plat of Ocean Beach, Florida, Addition No. 3, in favor of Jack Welch Fisher, minor, Mrs. Jane Johnson, Guardian of Jack Welch Fisher will be in Miami not later than the 26th of this month. On her arrival we wish to complete the transfer of this trust from you to her as Substituted Trustee.

Please make an appointment with us at your earliest convenience after the 26th, at which time your representatives, ours and Mrs. Johnson may complete the transfer.

Yours very truly,
THE ALTON BEACH REALTY COMPANY.

By:

President.

FIRST TRUST & SAVINGS BANK



MIAMI, FLORIDA

January 23, 1932

Alton Beach Realty Company
Miami Beach, Florida,

Attention: Mr. Carl G. Fisher, Pres.

Re: Jack Welch Fisher Trust

Gentlemen:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 21, 1932, with reference to transferring your above trust.

Your letter has been referred to Mr. Alec Baker, who is now handling this account.

Very truly yours,

Trust Officer.

SM:MT

Tax Est to Oct 1st \$4,700
 Int July's " 4218
 Totals 1931 6931

* C O P Y *

March 21, 1932

April 1st, 1932

Yr to pay to \$15,849
 clear to Oct 1st CMF 250
 \$16,099 Trustee Fee

After giving serious thought to the proposition submitted to me by Mr. Fisher, I have decided to release him from our agreement and the mortgages, and accept the Lincoln Hotel, providing he will give me the three lots on Drexel Avenue to protect the hotel property, and provided further that there are sufficient funds out of this year's business to pay taxes and interest on the bonds and insurance. Also provided that the \$25,000 installment due in October this year be deferred until the end of the installment series.

Of course, Judge, you and Mr. Fisher must realize that I am not qualified to manage a hotel, and would therefore appreciate making some kind of an arrangement for Mr. Fisher or his associates to lease the hotel or manage it for me on a percentage basis.

I wish you to proceed along these lines, and notify me when you wish to see me.

add \$500, Note \$4,500
 Yours truly, Biers Pay

(signed) Jane Johnson

Grand Total \$21,349

Liens & Taxes due
 on \$38,000 Mortgage property
 \$4,914

April 1st 1932,

AGREEMENT, Made this _____ day of March,
1933, by and between JANE JOHNSON (unmarried) and CARL G. FISHER,
WITNESSETH:

The parties hereto mutually agree as follows:

That the Trust Agreement between the parties hereto
and First Trust & Savings Bank, as Trustee, dated November 24, 1924,
a copy of which is attached, is null and void and of no further
force or effect and that Carl G. Fisher hereby is released from
making any further payments to Jane Johnson thereunder or under
that certain other Agreement between the parties hereto dated
October 24, 1924, a copy of which is attached; and Jane Johnson
shall so notify said Trustee and direct it to return forthwith to
Carl G. Fisher all securities pledged under said Trust Agreement;

Jane Johnson acknowledges full payment and satisfac-
tion of the indebtedness secured by those four(4) certain mort-
gages made by The Alton Beach Realty Company in her favor, now
securing the principal sum of Thirty-eight Thousand Eight Hundred
(\$38,800.00) Dollars and covering the following described premises:

Lot numbered One (1) of Block Eleven(11) of
Island View Subdivision of The Alton Beach
Realty Company, as per Plat Book 6, at Page
115, of the Public Records of Dade County,
Florida;

Lot numbered One (1) of Block Ten (10) of
Palm View Subdivision of The Alton Beach
Realty Company, as per Plat Book 6, Page 29,
of the Public Records of Dade County, Florida;

West One-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of Lot numbered Eight (8)
of Block numbered Sixteen (16) of Island View
Subdivision of The Alton Beach Realty Company,
as per Plat Book 6, at Page 115, of the Public
Records of Dade County, Florida;

Beginning at a point 20 ft. south and 516 ft.
east from the northwest corner of the northeast
quarter of the northeast quarter (N.E. quarter,
N.E. quarter) Section 22, Township 33 South,

Range 4E East, thence East along a line parallel to and 30 ft. South of the North line of said Section, 318 ft., thence South 122.3 ft., thence West 316 ft., thence North 122.3 ft. to the point or place of beginning, containing 0.33 acres more or less. Said premises being also known as Lot number One (1) of Block One(1) of the Osborne Tract, as shown by the unrecorded plat of that Subdivision;

Jane Johnson hereby releases and forever discharges Carl G. Fisher from all manner of action, causes of action, suits, debts, sums of money, dues, claims and demands of any nature whatsoever, in law or equity, which she has ever had or now has or might hereafter have against him, including those arising out of or in connection with said Trust Agreement and Agreement dated November 24, 1934 and October 26, 1934, respectively;

Carl G. Fisher will cause The Alton Beach Realty Company to transfer to Jane Johnson on or before April 4, 1938, all that Company's right, title and interest in that certain lease covering the Lincoln Hotel, dated October 4, 1930, between First Trust & Savings Bank as Trustee and The Alton Beach Realty Company, a copy of which is attached, reserving however, to The Alton Beach Realty Company the possession of and income from said Hotel until April 30, 1932; and Carl G. Fisher warrants that at the time of said transfer said The Alton Beach Realty Company will be the lawful owner and holder of said lease and all interest therein; and in addition Carl G. Fisher shall pay or cause to be paid the 1931 taxes and a proration to October 1, 1932 of the 1932 taxes, and all rental due under said lease up to but not including October 1, 1932, and all other bills and charges against said Hotel and premises arising prior to October 1, 1932 including operating expenses, excepting bills for expenses arising subsequent to April 30, 1932; it being expressly understood and agreed however, that under no circumstances shall Carl G. Fisher be obliged to pay the Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollar installment reserved in Article V of said lease.

This Agreement shall benefit and bind the heirs, executors,

administrators and assigns of the respective parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of;

AS to Jane Johnson

(SEAL)

AS to Carl G. Fisher.

(SEAL)

6005 NORTH ALTON ROAD
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

April 2-32

Dear Carl: -

I'd like to repeat
what I wrote you before
and that is, that the only
possible way I can handle
the Lincoln Hotel is upon
the condition contained in
my letter to Judge Sweathers
copy of which I under-
stand was sent to you.
You see Carl the first

② Year is going to be the difficult year with me owing to the fact that my finances have been seriously diminished and also that I will be embarking in a business I know nothing about (and am afraid of) and the result of which as you know will be very uncertain judging from present economic conditions. If I can take the hotel

free of debt and with no obliga-
tions to pay or assume during the
balance of this year which will mean
that we will have to get the \$25,000
deferred or else rearranged and
further leaving me nothing to pay
until the January interest or first
installment then under these conditions
I am willing to close the deal ac-
cording to my former letter. Whenever
it will suit you! I am sending a

copy of this letter to Judge
Smathers tonight.

Yours

Yours

to

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APRIL 7 1932

WALTER BLACKBURN
VILLANOVA PENN

BELIEVE CAUSES PROMPTING MRS JOHNSONS WIRE CAN BE ADJUSTED AND DEAL
CONSUMMATED AS PER SALES AGREEMENT SHE SIGNED TO WHICH SHE CAN BE
HELD STOP SUGGEST AWAITING DEVELOPMENTS OF NEXT TWENTY FOUR HOURS
WILL WIRE DEFINITELY TOMORROW NIGHT

C H W READ
CARL G FISHER COMPANY

- Charge account - C. H. W. Read

PATRONS ARE REQUESTED TO FAVOR THE COMPANY BY CRITICISM AND SUGGESTION CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

April 25, 1932

Mrs. Jane Johnson
6005 Alton Road
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Jane;

I note your objection to the proposed settlement of our Trust Agreement, on the grounds that my creditors may set aside the agreement within the next four or five months.

There is no danger in that, because if I thought the agreement was not fair, I would never sign it. However, to satisfy the objections which you may have on this score, you may let this letter be your assurance that if, for any reason, any of our creditors should attack and succeed in setting aside the conveyances to you of the Lincoln Annex, then and in that event your former rights under our Trust Agreement, dated November 24, 1924, will be reinstated and restored.

Yours very truly,


CARL G. FISHER (Signed)

COPY
LF

April 29th, 1932

Mr. F. W. Sparks,
142 E. 39th St.
New York City

Dear Mr. Sparks:

This proposed agreement has the following very important action.

1. It releases \$38,000.00 of mortgage collateral on valuable property to my assets.
2. It releases a present claim of \$12,500.00 in delinquent monthly payments. Another six months will, of course, add an additional \$15,000.00 to this claim. The property in question at this time has a possible valuation of \$100,000.00 if a purchaser could be had for same, which at the present market is impossible.
3. It releases to the assets of the Flamingo Corporation fifty one percent of the common stock, leaving the entire Flamingo property clear, at this time, with the exception of \$565,000.00 of First Mortgage Bonds; and indebtedness of \$144,487.19 to the Alton Beach Realty Company, of which I own the entire stock.
4. Next, it stops immediately an action of the Trust Company to sell at auction enough stock of the Flamingo Corporation to settle the present overdue obligation of \$12,500.00.
5. At no other time in four years has it been possible to even approach a settlement of this obligation and a cancellation at this time will leave the assets of the Carl G. Fisher Company and Carl G. Fisher personally, in a very much better position for the protection of both bondholders and stockholders.

Very truly yours,

CGF-M

VAL C. CLEARY
MAYOR

CLAUDE A. RENSHAW
CITY MANAGER

COUNCILMEN

D. RICHARD MEAD
PRESIDENT AND COMMITTEEMAN
ON FINANCES
JOHN H. LEVI
COMMITTEEMAN ON STREETS
AND SEWERS
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BUILDINGS
BARON DEHIRSCH MEYER
COMMITTEEMAN ON FIRE AND
WATER
ARTHUR CHILDERS
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HARRY MCCARTHY
COMMITTEEMAN ON SANITATION
C. L. CLEMENTS
COMMITTEEMAN ON PARKS AND
DOCKS



CITY OF MIAMI BEACH

MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

Box 157

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
RECREATION
J. B. LEMON, SUPERINTENDENT

April 7th, 1932

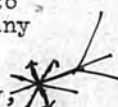
Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Fisher Properties,
Lincoln Road,
Miami Beach, Fla.

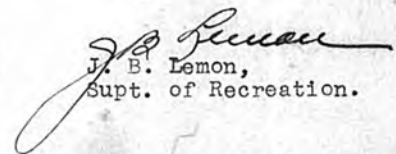
Dear Mr. Fisher:

About a month ago I talked with you regarding the possibility of taking over the Lincoln Road courts and adding them to the facilities now offered by the Recreation Department for tennis. I have talked the matter over with Mr. Renshaw and he seems favorably inclined to the idea.

I would appreciate your writing me a letter stating the conditions under which you will grant this department the use of your courts, the length of time this agreement would be in effect, and just what you would expect us to do. I will then take the matter up again and get the approval of the City Council, which would be needed before I would be allowed to operate the courts.

I want to express my appreciation for your kind interest in this department and to assure you of my wholehearted co-operation at any time I may be of service.

Yours very truly, 


J. B. Lemon,
Supt. of Recreation.

JBL.S

MARL C. FISHER

Montauk

N.Y.

May 17, 1932.

Mr. J. B. Lemon,
Supt. of Recreation,
City of Miami Beach,
Florida.

Dear Mr. Lemon:

Replying to yours of the 7th. Just recently the property you refer to was given in exchange for other securities to Mrs. Robert Johnson of East Williston, Long Island. Mrs. Robert Johnson sailed for Europe yesterday. However, a letter addressed to her will no doubt be forwarded and I have no doubt but that she will cooperate with you in the use of the courts.

Sorry I did not attend to this at an earlier date, but I have been very very busy with some of our own affairs. However, I will do all I can to help you along with your plan.

Very truly yours,

CGF/ELL

FIRST TRUST & SAVINGS BANK



MIAMI, FLORIDA

LEGAL DEPARTMENT
A. J. ROSE, GENERAL COUNSEL

April 16, 1932.

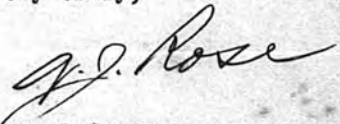
Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
5010 North Bay Road,
Miami Beach, Florida.Dear Mr. Fisher: Re: Jane Fisher Trust.

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I thought it proper to advise you of this notice from Mrs. Johnson and will be glad to extend any possible assistance to any of the parties in interest.

Yours very truly,


General Counsel.

AJR/mmb

C O P Y

FIRST TRUST & SAVINGS BANK

Miami, Fla. April 16, 1932

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
5010 North Bay Road,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Fisher: Re: Jane Fisher Trust

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A. J. Rose
General Counsel

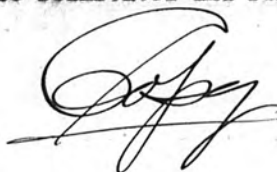
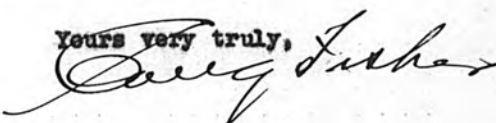
April 25, 1932

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
6005 Alton Road,
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Jane;

I note your objection to the proposed settlement of our Trust Agreement, on the grounds that my creditors may set aside the agreement within the next four or five months.

There is no danger in that, because if I thought the agreement was not fair, I would never sign it. However, to satisfy the objections which you may have on this score, you may let this letter be your assurance that if, for any reason, any of our creditors should attack and succeed in setting aside the conveyances to you of the Lincoln Annex, then and in that event your former rights under our Trust Agreement, dated November 24, 1924, will be reinstated and restored.

 Yours very truly,


WILLIAM W. MUIR
ATTORNEY AT LAW
848 LINCOLN ROAD
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

May 4, 1932.

General Robert H. Tyndall,
Care, The St Moritz on Park,
56 West 59th Street,
New York City.

Dear General:

Please sign the enclosed Fisher - Jane Johnson agreement as a witness on Page 4, as I have indicated in pencil, and return the agreement to me by air-mail.

Also, kindly have Mr. and Mrs. Fisher sign both copies of the enclosed Warranty Deed to Jane Johnson, before two subscribing witnesses as to each; then have them acknowledge the instrument in duplicate before a Notary Public who should make sure to place his seal on both copies and state the date of the expiration of his commission.

Unless you can have the Fishers sign the copies of the deed enclosed at the time you sign as a witness on the agreement, please do not wait to send the Deeds back with the Agreement. I must have the Fisher - Jane Johnson Agreement at the very earliest possible moment.

With kindest regards,

Yours very truly,



WM. W. MUIR.

Enclosures: Agreement
Deed (2 copies)
Return stamped envelope-air mail.

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO. TO Mr Carl Fisher

DATE May 11th 1934

FROM F.R. Humphreys

SUBJECT _____

Dear Carl:-

Second Mrs. Jane Johnson's signature to lease as written - no changes suggested by her - Art Paul looked over the Station Wagon and is going to take her check for 200 - ^{as} ~~to~~ ^{owned} Station Wagon was without battery and you were expected to take "as is"; however when she learned you were going to send check for full amount she agreed to pay for battery.

There are no license plates and no insurance so you will have to pay for both - unless you have license plates you can transfer from your present wagon or truck, you may also have insurance on some truck or Station Wagon that can be transferred also, however I have no record of any such, but it may be handled or carried by Montauk Beach Dept.

Imagine you had some other motive ~~than~~ than just buying this station wagon because you wanted or needed it, if not did say you paid 100.00 to much for it.

If you want me to do anything about the purchase - let me know, I will leave word with Todd the Steward at the yacht club where I am so he can get in touch with me if I am out, just leave word with him - his telephone number is Flaga 3-0784 - Steve Rae back pass

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DATE _____

SUBJECT _____

ed description are as follows

20"	Fire Pat	Height	1000"	Bym	about 3 1/2 feet	Price	93.25
22"	"	"	1050"	"	" 3 "	"	100.50
27"	"	"	1400"	"	" 4 "	"	120.95
30"	"	"	1600"	"	" 5 "	"	146.00

20" size huts 5 to 6 Rooms
 22" " " 6 to 7 "
 27 " " " 8 to 9 "
 30 " " " 9 to 10 "

Putting up transfer of property etc with Irving Collins tonight - after Mr Johnson makes his decision as to the lot she wants we have to have deed prep and etc - so we have any too much time as she says you promised to finish it up by Saturday or Sunday as she will be too busy getting ready to go away to bother with it on Monday or Tuesday.

Sincerely

J. R. Armstrong

Mr. Fisher:

Attached map is being sent you at request of Mr. Collins in connection with the proposed exchange of Mrs. Johnson's Bay View Colony lot for La Gorce lot. Will stand by for your instructions as to lot selected.

We have a few other lots in this location that have minor clouds on title or are at present under option that could not be delivered promptly.

Paul Kunschik
May 13, 1932

WILLIAM W. MUIR
ATTORNEY AT LAW
846 LINCOLN ROAD
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

May 18, 1932.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Port Washington,
Long Island, New York.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Today Judge Smathers completed his examination of the title to the Lincoln Annex, found the title good and accepted your deed to Jane Johnson in complete satisfaction and discharge of your Separation and Trust Agreements.

Enclosed is a copy of the final document, executed by Mrs. Johnson, releasing you from the Separation and Trust Agreements, and all claims and demands thereunder.

The original, executed copy of this document, has been sent to Paul Kunschik, for safe-keeping in your office vault.

Enclosed is a letter of instructions to the First Trust & Savings Bank as Trustee under the Trust Agreement, signed by Jane Johnson, directing the Trustee to return to you the 500 shares of stock of The Flamingo Company which it has been holding under the Trust Agreement.

Please sign this letter, as indicated in pencil, in the presence of a witness, and return it to me immediately, so that I can go to the Trust Company and take up the Stock Certificate.

Your only remaining obligation to Mrs. Johnson, now, is her option to purchase Lots 1,2,3 and 4 less the West 6 ft. of said Lot 4, Block 31, Fisher's First Subdivision (the tennis court lots), within five(5) months from April 25, 1932, upon her transferring to you the four (4) mortgages which she holds against The Alton Beach Realty Company now securing the principal sum of \$38,800.

This option was contained in the preliminary agreement between yourself and Mrs. Johnson, dated April 25, 1932.

The option should be recorded; and in order to avoid making a matter of public record the entire transaction between you and Mrs. Johnson, I have prepared a short form of option containing the wording of your original agreement of April 25, 1932.

Please sign this option, in duplicate, as indicated on Page 2, before two witnesses and have Mrs. Fisher also sign it, as indicated, before two witnesses; then have both your acknowledgments taken before a Notary Public, and return both executed copies to me.

Yours very truly,

W. W. Muir
WM. W. MUIR.

Enclosures 4

*Given to Gilbert
Muir to mail
May 21-32*

*Given to
Gilbert Muir to
mail -
May 21*

LAW OFFICES
FRANK SMATHERS

MIAMI, FLORIDA

May 20
1932

Mr. Arthur B. Reed
Waterside Realty Corporation
Port Washington, L. I.
New York

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 17th, enclosing deed from Mrs. Jane Johnson, and copy thereof, together with original deed to Mrs. Johnson from Waterside Realty Corporation.

Yours very truly,

Frank Smathers

FS:F

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Carl G. Fisher

DATE May 20, 1932

FROM Paul Kunschik

SUBJECT _____

I have your letter of the 16th advising me that Mrs. Jane Johnson has forwarded to her attorney, Frank Smathers, in Miami deed to Lot 125, Block 1700-A, Bay View Colony and that Miami Beach Bay Shore Company is to deliver to Judge Smathers in exchange for the Bay View Colony lot a deed to Lot 7, Block 13, La Gorce Golf Subdivision. We have ordered abstract on the La Gorce lot and will deliver it to Judge Smathers for examination of title. The deed has been prepared and is ready for delivery when everything else is satisfactorily arranged.

In the meantime the question has arisen whether or not Miami Beach Bay Shore Company, a Florida corporation, and not licensed to do business in New York, can accept title to property in New York, hold this property and sell this property without becoming liable in New York for a franchise tax or liable for a penalty for not having become licensed to do business in New York. Will you kindly refer this question to your New York attorney and advise before we accept the deed as now written. Mrs. Johnson gave Judge Smathers full power of attorney to act for her during her absence and it might be desirable to have the deed to the Port Washington lot changed, conveying the property to you or The Waterside Realty Corporation in trust for Miami Beach Bay Shore Company. As soon as we have advice from you we will close the matter with Judge Smathers.

PK:MKH

Paul Kunschik
PAUL KUNSCHIK

MEMORANDUM

FROM MR. FISHER

DATE

May 22, 1932

TO Mr Muir

SUBJECT

Enclosed find letter from Mrs. Johnson to First Tr. & Savings Bank, releasing all securities which they hold under trust agreement, including Five Hundred shares of Flamingo Stock, also original and duplicate of Option to Mrs. Johnson in regard to certain property and four certain mortgages.

C.G.Fisher

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO. TO Mr. Paul Kunschik

DATE May 28th, 1952.

FROM Carl G. Fisher.

SUBJECT _____

Your memo of the 20th regarding exchange of Jane Johnson lot.

Our lawyers think decisions here make it entirely practical and lawful to make the exchange.

Katzentine is here today and will confirm same after looking up the law in New York on Monday.

I want to save for Margaret any fees possible. He will see you as soon as he returns to Miami.

CARL G. FISHER



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mr. Carl G. Fisher,

Montauk,

New York.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Montauk, New York.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of June 3, 1932, in my opinion it is advisable that a general meeting be held as suggested by you.

If such a meeting is held in New York City in the near future, I ~~(will)~~ be able to attend.
(will not

Very truly yours,

Jane Johnson

October 11, 1932

Mrs. Jane Johnson
East Williston
Long Island, N. Y.

My dear Jane:

I advised Katcentine the other day that your company should take up the taxes in order to make a complete transfer of the property in question. Any further delay in this matter may seriously inconvenience you as well as me.

I am not in a position to raise \$4000 or any part of it at this time. I suggested, however, that I would transfer to you a lot with security in order that the deal might be completed immediately. I hope you will act on this matter immediately in order that it maybe one more transaction straightened up for the best good of all of us.

I am leaving about the 18th. Hope to see you before I go South but I am not at all sure when you will arrive in this country. I presume you will come South to look after your property.

I wrote you that we would like to handle the property in connection with the Lincoln and I am sure that we can do so better than any other agent that you could secure.

Very truly yours,

C. G. Fisher

CGF:AP

LAW OFFICES
OF
A. FRANK KATZENTINE
1714-15-16-17 CONGRESS BUILDING
MIAMI, FLORIDA

October
Eighth
1932

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Montauk
Long Island, New York

IN RE: Option Agreement,
Jane Johnson.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

We beg to acknowledge receipt of a copy of your memorandum to Mr. Paul Kunschik, and wish to advise that the matter has received our usual prompt attention.

We further beg to advise that Frank Smathers, the attorney for Mrs. Johnson, is out of the city, and is not expected to return until, to-wit, October 24th, 1932.

We are further informed that there is no one in the city of Miami empowered to act for Jane Johnson except Mr. Smathers. We have set our file up until the date of his return, and will advise you of further developments promptly at that time.

Very truly yours,

LAW OFFICES

A. FRANK KATZENTINE

BY: *Frank Katzentine*

AFK/sh

LAW OFFICES
OF
A. FRANK KATZENTINE
1714-15-16-17 CONGRESS BUILDING
MIAMI, FLORIDA

October
Thirteenth
1932

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Montauk
Long Island, New York

RE: Jane Johnson Option
Agreement.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Enclosed herewith please find extension agreement and copy of the original option agreement.

In my conference with Mr. Smathers he, at this time, refused to accept the additional lot in lieu of payment of taxes, and therefore I deemed it best to arrange for an extension, which is entirely agreeable with him.

In the event my arrangements are satisfactory, please execute the enclosed extension agreement and forward it back to this office.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,

LAW OFFICES

A. FRANK KATZENTINE

By: *Frank*

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Signed
& returned
10-17-32

November 10, 1932.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
% Travelers Bank,
Rue de la Paix,
Paris, France.

My dear Jane:

I have yours of the 21st. You probably do not realize the condition of property interests in America. Property all over the state is down anywhere from 50% to 75%.

You are very foolish if you do not get home where you can look after your interests and dispose of your property to the best advantage and get yourself some funds to live on. Your property here at Miami Beach was rented for \$2,000, I understand.

I made you an offer for the hotel interest that was at least twice as good as this. I think you have a very good lawyer but not a very good business man as your help here. I would like to do more for you and look after your interests, but I cannot do so under the conditions as they now exist. But I can tell you one thing definitely -- that you had better come back to America while you have the fare to get back, and look after your properties.

I don't know what type of season we are going to have. I do know it's impossible for me to pay the taxes on your property to complete the deal, as I have not been able to pay taxes at Port Washington or at Montauk.

Taxes are not only the basic cause of many of my troubles, but the basic cause of the troubles of ten million other people who are practically bankrupt.

You had better heed this warning as you are going to be in hot water before long if you do not pay some attention to it.

Love and good wishes from

Yours,

CARL O. FISHER

Feb? 1933

Dear Carl -

The woman who
called me about the
Port Washington lot
is Mrs. Sheehan -

(Pt. Wash 1002)

You might have some
one get in touch with
her.

Hastily

—
+ Carl

P.S.

Please advise me
where my lot is done
here & where is my
deed?

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February 4th 1933.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
North Alton Road,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Jane:

Thanks for the letter with the name
of Mrs. Sheehan. She is a real estate agent and
has been corresponding with us for the last two
or three years.

She was just trying to dodge our
outfit and trying to do business direct, which
is what most of them will do, if they get a chance.

Yours,

CARL G. FISHER

CGF-HM

February 14th 1933.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
North Alton Road,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Jane:

I understand you leased the apartments this year for \$2,000. As conditions are now, on a fifty-fifty basis which I offered you, you would have net for your share somewhere between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

Before you do anything for next year, I think you had better consider carefully having Mr. Bennett run these apartments on a split basis. Of course the Lincoln Hotel is in a position to get a larger amount for your rooms than could be had separately, and it may be that next year's season will not be so good.

Yours,

CARL G. FISHER

CGF-HM

6005 North Alton Road
Miami Beach, Fla.
F E B R U A R Y 22-433.

Dear Carl:-

Thanks for your letter of last week in regard to my little hotel. I instructed my attorney, Mr. Frank Smathers, while I was abroad, to give you the first chance to rent it if you wanted it and I would have been very glad to have had Mr. Bennet have the hotel but Mr. Smathers advised me that Mr. Bennet had refused to rent the hotel outright. After a thoro inquiry he decided it best to lease the hotel to Mrs; White for a small rental than to let the building stand idle all winter as then no one had the slightest idea we would have any season here at all. You could have had the hotel at the same figure she paid, in fact it was offered to Mr. Bennet at that price and he refused. The prevalent idea was that it was wise to take what one could get for anything.

We now have a good building-we have painted it inside and out-put on a new roof and generally fixed it up in first class shape-it was terribly in need of repairs as you probably know. Next season we expect to ask a better rental as we realize it was leased at a ridiculously low figure this year. I do not want to consider a fifty-fifty proposition such as you suggest as I must have something definite to know what to count on. I will be very glad indeed to talk with either you or Mr. Bennet in regard to renting next season and will be glad to consider an offer of straight rental.

I hope you are feeling well and that the big season is going to bring good results to you.

As always,

Jane

February 25th 1933.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
6005 North Alton Road,
Miami Beach, Fla.

My dear Jane:

The reason Mr. Bennett was afraid to lease the building was we were all afraid of the season, and naturally this applies to next season.

I would not care to go into a lease of more than \$2,000 but I would think it would be all right for Mr. Bennett to make such a lease and give you 10% of the profits, after the \$2,000 had been deducted from the profit. On a percentage basis you would probably do better than you are doing now, or than you could do under an advance lease.

If there isn't a good crowd here next year, no matter who you rent to, you will not fill it up. I also think if the crowd comes as unprepared as they did this year, they will be forced to pay big prices at the last minute.

It is too late to do anything about a club for the tennis court this year, but it should be started next year. I got tired of water bills and expense bills of different kinds, and most of the people that are using the court expect to use it for nothing. However, we can take this matter up later.

Yours,

CARL G. FISHER

CGF-HM



The Dunes Club
NARRAGANSETT R. I.

July 14-'33

Dear Carl: -

Your note was forwarded
here to me and I was certainly
pleased to hear the good news
and hope it keeps up.

I will not give any opinions
and will appreciate your
advising me of any further
developments. I will be home
late Monday so if you want
to talk to me Sunday morning
you can reach me between
three and twelve o'clock.

Hope to hear from you
I'll say nothing to anyone
Love Carl

Wednesday Eve.

NARRAGANSETT
RHODE ISLAND

1933?

Dear Carl: -

I talked to my maid yesterday and she said you had called me from Montauk and so sorry not to have talked with you for it has been so long since I heard any thing at all from you.

I am visiting some friends up here for ten days - having a fine time in this wonderful air - go in swimming every day and take in about nine holes of golf and I am feeling fine after taking John out to Cuba where I left him for the summer. I went on to Chicago to the Fair

then come up here for a much
needed rest.

Are you going to rent
your house in Miami Beach
this winter? I'm a friend who
rents a house with eight bed-
rooms a dock - and two or three
room garage and an option
to buy. I spoke of your
place and she was interested
Her name is Mrs. Margaret
Hurt, "Two Acres" Narragansett
Rhode Island, and you can
get in touch with her direct
if you are interested. She
has two daughters out
has two children at home
one - they are well-to-do
and well able to do pay their
bills and if you could secure
them, would be desirable tenants.

NARRAGANSETT
RHODE ISLAND

I will be glad to talk to
you on my return which
will be about the middle of
next week - say a week from
today. If you want to
telephone me call around
seven a.m.

Would you be interested in
renting "The Annex" from
me this next winter? As
yet did not cloud with the
whites though they want it
again.

I do hope you are well
and that conditions are
improving with you

Love

Jane

January 10, 1934.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
6005 Alton Road,
Miami Beach, Florida.

My dear Jane:-

I have your memorandum via Yank Reed.

Thanks for dropping me a note on this subject.

I am sorry for your unpleasant experiences. I do not know what can be done. I seem to be having more than I can handle at one time. Let me know where you are, and I will call you up.

I'm sorry I did not get to see John before he left. I will arrange to see him, when he comes again, if you will let me know.

Regards,

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

April 28, 1934.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
East Williston, L.I.,
New York.

My dear Jane:-

I am sorry I missed you the other day, but when I went by the house apparently you had left, as there was no automobile standing there. I had a sore tooth and aside from that and aside from other things, I was anxious to get a chance to lie down and take a good rest.

I saw some people at your house yesterday and apparently they were interested because they were all out of the car, looking at the house.

Have you put it on the market with our Mr. Chase? We do not sell anything but our own property from this office, but we can pass sales of this kind out to some of our friends who also sell property for us.

I thought I had my own house sold, and had a retaining check for an option, but my man suddenly up and died, without giving any notice to anybody. Don't it beat hell, the number of deals I have had that blew up because the people died on me?

Yours,

OGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

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Written at
Port Washington, L.I., N.Y.
September 14, 1934.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
East Williston, L.I.,
New York.

Dear Jane:-

Bob was out a couple of days this week and he told me that he thought Jess might still have Cuba.

Jess is probably staying over at the Posts. I may hear from him in the next few days and if I do, I will ask him about Cuba; but there would be considerable freight and expense to get him back, and he is getting old, and I think, considering how cheap horses are, you might pick up something that will do you quite as well.

Cuba has stepped out from under others who tried to ride him, and if he steps out from under you and breaks your arm or leg, it will not be so funny. However, I will let you hear from me as soon as possible.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

December 5, 1934.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
6005 Alton Road,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Jane:-

You have probably noticed where they have finally located the theater, - down on Lincoln Road.

I knew that our property would not meet the requirements as it was too shallow, but I was in hopes they might decide on your corner, which has the proper depth. Personally, I think they made a very poor selection. However, it is one more business house on Lincoln Road, which will help.

I am not much on the dates and figures to which you refer. I have a bunch of old time photographs here, which you are welcome to, and some of them have dates.

If you will make out a list of what particular items you want to check up on, I will hand them to Pete Chase, and he will probably be able to check back and give you these dates - either from memory or from the records.

I will drop by and see you the first chance I have.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

6008 NORTH ALTON ROAD
MIAMI BEACH
FLORIDA

January 13-1935.

Dear Carl:-

Yesterday I tried and tried to reach you by telephone to wish you a happy birthday-but it was impossible-so even if this is a day late-please accept my best wishes for a happy birthday and may you live to celebrate and enjoy many,many more of them.

It seems too bad that I never see you. I have been here three months and yet have not seen you-I know you have been busy-so have I. Have you seen the Gondolier? I have been writing for it. The last issue had three stories of mine and a page of society.

One of my stories is called "Rosie". I thru the magazine have been asked to start a campaign to get Rosie back for the city-have the children with their pennies buy her back.

Again I wish you health - wealth and happiness. Lott a friend of yours is my editor. He speaks so wonderfully of you.

As always,

Jan

January 16, 1935.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
6005 North Alton Road,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Jane:-

I am glad to have yours of the 13th.

We have been, as you must know, terrifically busy for the past thirty days - day and night.

I wanted to tell you that we had a come-back from the theater man just the other day, and I asked him to submit the general plan of what he wanted to do and what he was willing to pay for your property and the tennis court, or either one. The main thing is to get him located there, if we can have a good theater.

It is rather late to get Rosie, as I understand she has been sold to a circus. Perhaps this is only a rumor. Don't forget, it costs over a hundred dollars a month to keep her, and under miscellaneous management she would be a complete failure. You know an elephant can stand only so much walking on this kind of roads. Their feet are not made to walk on concrete. It is also easy to overwork an elephant. I would really hate to see her come back here and be abused.

I will get a chance soon to stop in and see you and tell you more about the situation on Lincoln Road.

I read that Rosie article and it was O.K. because the public do not remember details; but it wasn't Rosie that chased the man up the water tank; it was Nero, who is now in chains in the Detroit Zoo, and has been for seven years. However, your article was about as near being correct as the usual articles are, of this kind.

I will see you soon.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

JANE JOHNSON
EAST WILLISTON
LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

May 31-1935.

Dear Carl;-

Would you consider renting the enclosed tennis court? If so for what price? I have been in touch with a party who has seen the court and would like to rent the building. Please advise me as soon as possible as I am sailing one week from to-day on the Normandie for Europe. I have been invited as a guest of the French Line to take the trip. I am quite thrilled to go as it is the finest and biggest boat ever built and this is the maiden voyage-you can understand I am sure.

I do not know just where you are so will have to send this to Miami Beach-hoping you will get it. It is still quite cool up here but East Williston never looked so pretty. It is a great strain on me though to keep it up-so many repairs and so big just for me and John will be home on Thursday for the summer. I would have liked seeing you before going away-but drop in early in August-I'll be home then. Hope you are well and happy;

Love,

Jane

June 1935

Dear Carl:-

Here I am again in Paris - seems quite natural as I am in the same hotel where I have stayed many times and have the same room I had the last time I was here. We made a wonderful crossing-I can hardly believe that one week ago to-day at noon I sailed from New York and have all ready been in Paris two nights and a day. The Normandie is the most colossal boat you could ever imagine and rides the sea superbly-even though we had a couple of days of high seas you felt as though you were in a huge hotel. Of course to travel at such a rate of speed there was quite a bit of vibration.

I am sorry I did not receive your letter in time to reply before my departure. Of course I would like to buy the tennis court but I am afraid it will be impossible at this time-I do not happen to have that much cash on hand. However I will still think about it and may be able to swing it later on when I return. Thank you for your interest.

Last night I dined with Jules Goux. He and I had a good laugh over your letter and mistake-it was Jules himself that got married-he has never had a son. You see he and Ruth separated some three or four years ago and now Jules has remarried. His wife is out of Paris for a little visit to her parents so I have not met her but will as soon as she returns the first of the week. Jules looks just about the same-he has lost practically everything he had.

He has a girl thirty years younger than he.

They live in an apartment over his office where you can see the picture of the girl as pathetic. Your

about the picture on the wall

of his office. It is so small and so close. Best



ÉLYSÉE PARK HOTEL

2 BOULEVARD DES CHAMPS-ÉLYSÉES

PARIS

At the sign of the HOTEL

I will return on the Normandie sailing from France the 17th
of July landing the 21st-so if you are passing through East
Willsiton soon after that date I would love to have you drop
in and say "Hello".

Hope you are well and happy,

Love,

Jane

June 3, 1935.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
East Williston,
Long Island, N. Y.

Dear Jane:-

Just closed another corner sale on Lincoln Road at \$600 front foot and \$400 per foot inside. We have only two corners left, and we have raised the price to \$600 per front foot.

The theater on Lincoln Road, on the North side, just West of the Lincoln Hotel, has started. This gives us only two pieces left on Lincoln Road, and we will probably sell them in the next week or two as there is a bull market now.

This gives you the most desirable property left, and if we can sell the corner of Washington and Lincoln to a bank it will boost your property up so that you ought to be able to get something like \$750 a front foot, or you might be able to lease it on that basis at 6% net, which would be a damned good thing for you to do. While there is a bull market of this kind, it doesn't pay to hold out for too much profit; but a good lease at 6% would be much better for you than a direct sale, as it would give you an independent income as long as you live.

I don't want to rent the tennis court unless I get a rent that would pay to do so. I want to sell the tennis court, and you should buy it by all means to go with your property. You can buy it on time at \$35,000, and whoever buys your corner property would probably be delighted to have the tennis court for some purpose and at a big advance over \$35,000, as the building alone cost \$50,000. It has a very fine concrete floor underneath the clay. If we could rent the court for \$1800 or \$2000 a year, we would rent it from year to year, with the understanding, of course, that if we had a chance to sell it, we would immediately cancel the lease on thirty days' notice. But with your corner property, you would then have a connection for an apartment house, that could not be equalled on the whole Beach, and the tennis court could be converted into help's quarters for a very large hotel or a very large apartment house. Also, it could be a combination garage and help's quarters.

Mrs. Jane Johnson -- 2.

6-3-35.

I don't want you to go into anything that is risky and I don't want to sell this property to anybody else if I can help it; but we have a lot of taxes to pay yet, and liens on our properties, and I advise you very strongly to buy this property, and if, after a year or two it shows up that you haven't made a good deal, I am quite sure we can then sell it to somebody else.

The glass needs some new mastic, which will probably cost \$200 to repair. Also the shower baths need about \$150 of repairs. The doors at both ends should be replaced as they are old and don't look well. Otherwise, the steel in the building is as good as ever.

If you want this building, notify your lawyer and tell him to give us a check for \$5,000, and I will make arrangements for the terms on the balance for you.

If there is any market for the East Williston place, if I were you I would sell off half of it, or all of it, and get you a smaller place, without so much expense and annoyance. I wouldn't have another big house if you gave it to me. The houses that I gave Margaret have turned out to be lemons - nothing but expense - cannot either rent or sell them - nothing but work and worry with big houses.

I will leave here on Saturday afternoon. I am going to drive North and expect to arrive at Montauk about Tuesday. I have been having quite a lot of trouble with my nervous system, but it is doing better and the last few days there is a very decided improvement.

I wish I could get away for a vacation but things are very quiet at Montauk and I suppose I can do as well there as any other place for the summer. At least, I am not bothered there with hay fever.

I am glad you are going to have a trip to Europe. Good luck. Will see you in August.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

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Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

July 3, 1935



Miss Jane Johnson
East Williston
New York

Dear Jane:

Just before I left there was a big spurt in Lincoln Road and all the lots on Lincoln Road have been sold except yours. We are holding our corner opposite The Lincoln at \$600 a foot for the one hundred foot quota and I am quite sure that you will be able to get this much for yours.

Two beautiful buildings are going up on Lincoln Road, one for Burdine and the other is a beautiful theatre so it isn't going to hurt your property.

I hope you are well and that you have my compliments to June Gaux.

Yours very truly

Carl G. Fisher

CGF:B

7/12/35

JANE JOHNSON
EAST WILLISTON
LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

Dear Carl: -

Your letter was
awaiting me on
my return from
Europe the other
day. I am de-
lighted to hear the
good news about
Lincoln Road.
While in Paris
I saw Jules Jouff

and his new bride
He said he had
received a letter
from you and that
you thought he had
a son who was
married. Did it
you know Jules +
Jenny were divorced
several years ago?
He had a very
nice French girl
twenty years his junior

East Williston is lovely near
do stop in - I have just re-
painted the pool and it is
lovely - silver & red.

Jules still has your picture on
the wall of his office - he lives
on the top floor above his office &
they are just shining out all
persistent - they have so very little
but seem extremely happy - She works with
him.

I do hope you
are well and
happy - I may
ride out to Moul-
ton one of these
days - if so I will
call you.

Always

Yours

July 12 - 35

ORCHARD MEADOWS
East Williston · Long Island
Telephone: Garden City 2465
August 27-1935.

Dear Carl;-

This is a difficult letter for me to write and I hope you will not say "I told you so". It seems that all my life I have made one mistake after another-even though I try so hard to do the right thing and be careful-it is of no use-I simply cannot help it.

The marriage I recently made has gone on the rocks-my choice was not so hot-I simply could not stick it. I thought what I wanted was a "good man"-he did not drink nor smoke and was a Christian Science Healer---he bored me to death--I'd much rather have him get drunk and beat me than be so damned good--sooooo I told him to pack his things and take his children and go back where he came from. I do not think he quite understood-but then he never would--we were so far apart in every way--now that is that and I will divorce him as soon as I can and start right in where I left off-and make some more mistakes. I think my head needs examining.

Please don't laugh too much at me--I get very lonesome at times--and my chin gets weak and tired taking it.

Love,
Law
It broke into the papers to-day-this happened last Wednesday.

CAMP TACOMA
MONMOUTH, MAINE

August 31-1935.

Dear Carl;-

Your letter was forwarded to me up here in the Maine woods where I am visiting the Robert Meyers at their de luxe Camp. You were a sweet peach to write to me and give me the low down on Lincoln Road property and I certainly appreciate your kindness and thank you. I will not fail to discuss any propositions I may have with you before doing anything.

To date no one has approached me about my property. When I get back I would love to talk with you

I will be here until the tenth or twelfth of the month so please get in touch with me soon after my return.

This is the greatest spot in the world and I am having the time of my life leading the simple life. We have great log fires at night-go to bed early and get up early, wear old clothes and eat like pigs. The air is marvelous. The Robert Meyers, my hosts are such fine people-he is the head of the Robert Meyer Hotel interests all thru the south and they are from Birmingham, Ala. They have a home in Miami Beach that they bought last winter-I have known them for about a year now. John is up here with me and there are two boys about his age and he is having a fine time swimming and boating on the lake.

Best regards, and thanks again.

Law

Camp Tacoma,
Care Robert R. Meyer,
Morrison, Maine,



Mr. Carl G. Fisher,

Montauk, L.I.N.Y.

PERSONAL.

ORCHARD MEADOWS
East Willeston · Long Island
Telephone: Garden City 2465

September 24-1935.

Dear Carl:-

I do hope you can come down here and see me-there is a deal on about this place and I do so wish I could talk to you about it. I have a builder who wants to erect some house-pay me cash for 12 lots-\$200.00 a lot and he do all the streets and in fact everything-I just sell him the lots and if he sells the houses he will proceed and take more land and build more houses. He is a responsible man and I have George levy attending to all the details-I do not know what to do-can't you drop by one day this week? Let me know when so that I will be sure to be at home.

Then I have another man dickering with me to buy the whole place-with about eighteen or twenty thousand cash- and then pay for the rest as the houses would be sold-and his idea is to pay not over four thousand an acre-he talks thirty-five hundred. I talk to all of them-but I would so like to get your reaction as to what would be best for me to do. I am having all the buildings painted and the place looks so nice-I have rented the cottage for two years for one hundred a month maybe I did wrong to tie it up for the two years-but thought it better than taking a chance of having it idle through the winter.

Do let me hear from you-I may go to Florida in the next two or three weeks-am on a deal to rent the big house for the winter-small rent but at least the house would have heat in it and that would be good for it and the furniture. Best,
Jane

September 26, 1935.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
East Williston, L. I.,
New York.

Dear Jane:-

I have yours of the 24th regarding your subdivision.

\$200 looks very small to pay for a lot down in that section with your location. Of course, some of those lots they make only 20 feet wide by 80 feet deep, but I know you can get into a terrible lot of trouble in making a deal with a contractor who puts up a lot of junk around your property.

I wouldn't presume to give any opinion without seeing the size of the lots which the contractor wants to subdivide into and the type of house, with specifications for same.

You are foolish to sell for \$20,000 cash unless you have some very substantial mortgages on the balance. This is a job that should all be handled and checked over before making a final decision, as you have a very fine house there that might be jeopardized and made nothing more than a boarding house, if you get a lot of cheap cottages around it.

We have seen so many of these developments go all to the bad, that we are naturally very suspicious.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

August 28, 1935.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
East Williston, L.I.,
New York.

Dear Jane:-

We have just sold the corner west of the Lincoln Hotel, 110 feet deep at \$600,00 per foot. I thought you ought to know this because there is a very active demand now for Lincoln Road property.

We are holding our corner opposite the Lincoln Hotel on Washington Avenue, at \$100,000, less 10%, less 5%, for cash and commission, respectively. Your corner is worth the same.

Be careful and don't get into any bum sales.

Regards,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

October 2, 1935.

Mrs. Jane Johnson,
East Williston, Long Island,
New York.

My dear Jane:-

Confirming telephone conversation and for Levi's memo, first a blue print should be made of the entire property, showing what property is to be sold and subdivided, as per the contractor's intentions for a study; also the type of house, the size of same, and general specifications.

The contractor's intentions should be put in writing and his declaration of building in writing, and signed before a Notary, before any deal is made.

In transactions of this kind it is frequently desirable for both parties to have some minor changes, but they should only be made with the consent of the seller in writing. In fact, any transactions of this kind should be in writing, and allowing the attorney to look over the contracts quite thoroughly.

A lot of cheap houses on small lots surrounding your property will ruin your own home and reduce its value, perhaps, more than you can get for the surrounding property, covered and littered up with a lot of poor buildings. These poor buildings may look all right for a year or two; on the other hand you may have your main house for many years, and these small houses, unless well kept up, would soon deteriorate your own main house more than you would get from the sale.

I don't mean that I am in favor of expensive houses. Houses can be small and well built and very attractive. Of course your restrictions on the property should bar out chickens and hogs and future commercial property of any kind. One bum grocery store on the property would ruin the rest of it for residential purposes. Also, some fellow with a bunch of rabbits, chickens or ducks around the property would have about the same effect as keeping a bunch of hogs in the back lot.

The time for having these restrictions and all these points for your protection attended to, is before you make any deal. I think Levi is keen enough to look out for your interests, but there are certain things in the protection of real estate sales that he may not have had any experience with, is the reason I am bringing this up as I do.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

Dec 1935

Dear Carl :-

After talking with Judge Swaters I find that the restrictions on the tennis court property are against business in that block and as I had in mind remodeling the court for a business I do not feel I can buy the property.

I do appreciate your consideration Carl and wish it was so I could buy it. The price also is quite a lot of money for me to raise and I am afraid to go in debt unless I could see some way of getting an income out of the building.

If you have a few moments some time soon I have something I would like to talk to you about. I've been writing a story on Miami Beach - the early days - and would like to verify some of my dates & figures. would you help me - to remember?

Call me - let me know when you
can drop in - I've not seen you
since I came down - in fact not
since last Spring - Please make it soon

Love

JANE SANTOS

4101 Pine Tree Drive,
Miami Beach, Florida.
January 6-1936.

Dear Carl;-

I appreciated the lovely handkerchief which you sent me for Christmas and thank you for thinking of me. Hope you liked the ties- and that you had a nice holiday. I wish this year to be a good one and a happy one for you.

The deal on the lots is just about ready to sign and I think it is a good one-would love to see you and tell you about it.

Best to you always;

Jane

6005 NORTH ALTON ROAD
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

January 17-1936.

Dear Carl;-

It seems absolutely impossible to reach you by telephone. I have tried repeatedly and you are so closely guarded that to talk with you is just impossible.

I want to tell you that I have your wristlets finished and will be delighted to give them to you if you still want them and will give me a ring when you will stop in to get them.

Call me in the morning as I am generally at home then--I go swimming about eleven every day.

Best;

Sam

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FRANK SMATHERS, JR.
W. J. HESTER

April 24, 1936.

Mr. F. R. Humpage
Lincoln Building
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Humpage:

Re: Jack Welsh Fisher Trust

Mrs. Johnson has asked me to find the abstract of title to the lot 16 of block 108, Ocean Beach #3, which is the lot held in trust for Jack Welsh Fisher Johnson.

When we had Mrs. Johnson appointed successor trustee last year the First Trust Company did not give me an abstract and I neglected to ask for it. In going through their files, however, Mr. Fishburne found a receipt given by Walter Kohlhepp for this abstract and same was never returned.

I will appreciate it very much if you will locate an abstract to this property for us.

Sincerely yours,

FSJr:vs

Frank Smathers

*on Board the
Jane*

September 18*1936.

Dear Carl;-

I have been trying to find time to write to you ever since we landed but things have been a bit hectic around here and this is the first moment I have had. Of course you have heard that I am married again-was married in the little church on Lincoln Road the fifth of August-I am the wife of a Portugese-he is extremely nice and so far we are very happy. we have a seventy-two foot house-boat on which we came up from Florida-had a delightful trip-and are now at Purdy's getting a new top put on the boat and getting the tender all done over and the engines fixed up a bit. I wish when you come up to Port Washington you would look us up I want you to meet my husband. His name is Alberto Santos.

Carl I have sold off about a third of my East Williston property and they have built and sold eighteen houses-all are not completed as yet but they are working very fast-it is a very nice looking little development and now they want the rest of the land-if I can make a good deal I will sell it to them. Now this is what I want to ask you to send to me the price you paid for East Williston and the amount of improvements you spent on the place up to the time you gave it to me as I have to have it for Income taxes.

We will be here until about the fifteenth of October then we will go back to Florida. My husband and I met when he came to the house to buy it-he bought the house then gave it back to me for a wedding present-now we like living aboard the boat so much that I fear we will either sell or rent 6005.

Mother met us at Cape May and came on the rest of the way with us-she is looking a bit oldish-how I hate to see her getting along-she sent me a clipping to-day telling of the death of Uncle Ed Thomas-had you heard it? He came to my wedding-but was quite feeble. He lived a good long age though-85 years-Mother is seventy.The Col past 80.

I do hope you are feeling well and that I will not be bothering you too much to look up the data about East Williston. Hope to see you before we leave. When do you go south? Things are popping down there now-I have several prospects to sell my Lincoln Road lots-the last one for \$112,500.00 -I do not know whether I will sell it yet or not. What do you think?

Best always,

Jane

address me - Mrs. Alberto Santos
Care Yacht "Jane" Purdy Boat Co Port Washington
L.I. N.Y.

September 23, 1936.

Mrs. Alberte Santos,
c/o Pardy Boat Company,
Port Washington, N. Y.

My dear Jane:-

I have yours of the 18th. I am glad to know you are doing well and are happy.

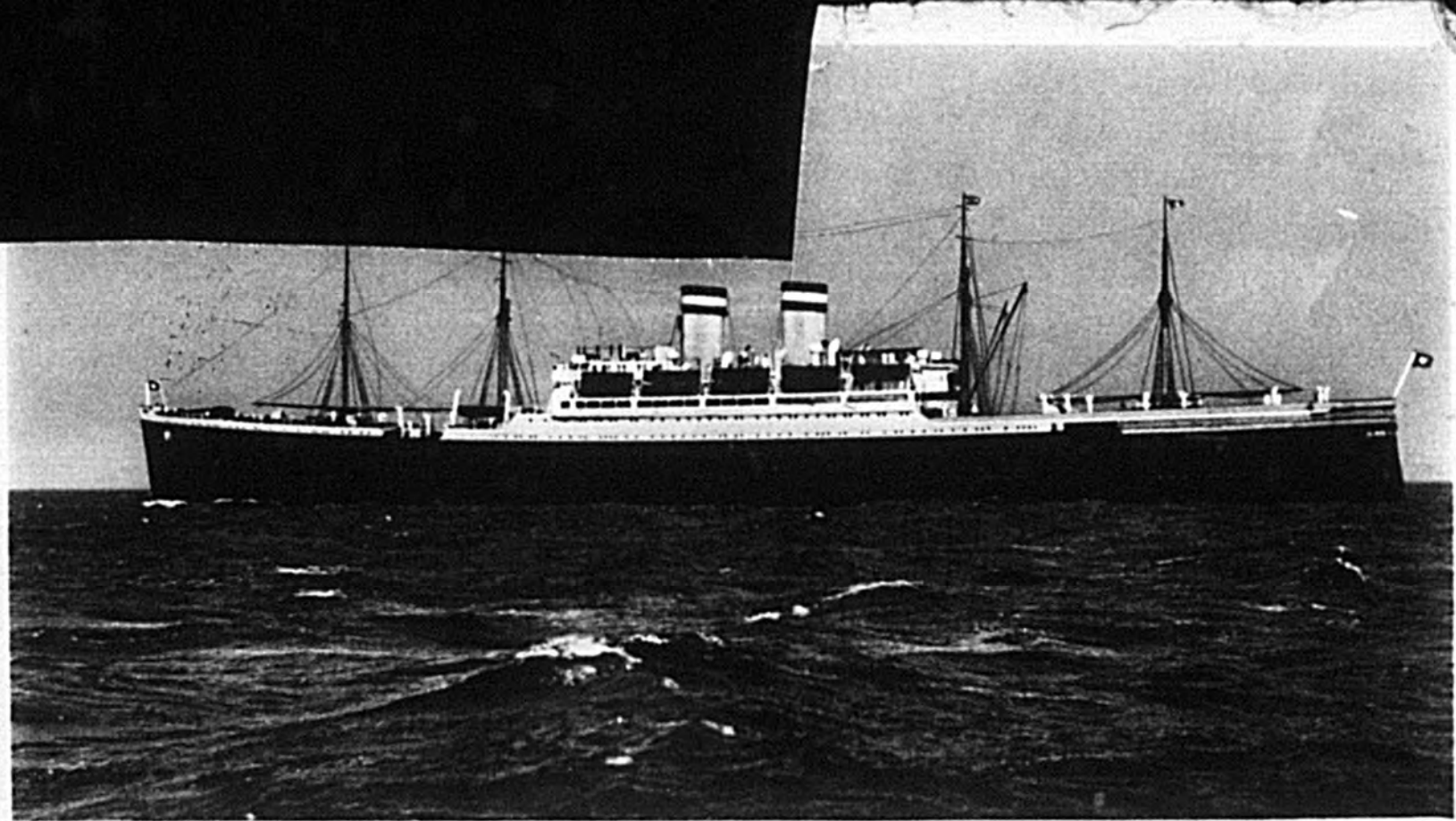
It would be utterly impossible for me to give you the amounts that we spent on the East Williston property. I paid a great many of these bills out of my pocket and we would have to make a search of the books for a period over two years, and even then we would not get anywhere. At one time I roughly estimated that I had spent about \$120,000.00, and that is as good as I can do for you.

The last sale on Lincoln Road, for an inside lot, was at \$800.00 a front foot. We are asking \$1,000.00 a front foot for our Washington Ave. corner and yours, while not quite as good, should be worth at least \$900.00 a front foot. If you can get that for it I would advise you to take it because you are on a buying market and it might be a long time before you strike another one.

Yours,

CGF-C

CARL G. FISHER.



HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE

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S. S. Hansa

April 28. 1937

Dear Carl: - Hope
you are enjoying
"gone with the wind"
So sorry you were
not in when Dept
we just sighted land
and will arrive in
Southampton at
noon tomorrow - it's
a lovely day - but
quite cool - keep
well. Best Love

DEUTSCH-AMERIKA

HAMBURG-AMERIKA
LINIE
D. HANSA

29.4.37.
DEUTSCH-AMERIKA
LINIE
POST

~~Mr. Carl G. G. G.~~
~~Miami Beach~~
~~Florida~~
U.S.A.

P.S. I am riding my little mare
"Nip" every day - she is a peach and
will have a colt next Spring!

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, NEW YORK

May 9th '38

Dear Carl: -

We got here safely last Monday
about four P.M. made a fast trip -
so fast got arrested once in Virginia
and once in New Jersey for speeding
and cost twenty-five dollars! But
we got here and found things in
splendid condition.

Our garden is coming up and
the trees are leafing out and the
leaves will be in blossom in another
few days - we are having a very
early Spring. It has been truly
Spring weather until today it is
raining - but we need the rain so
badly that we are rejoicing instead
of being cross about it.

I do hope you are feeling better
do take care of yourself.

Let me hear from you when
you have time and I recant
what I said - if you ever need
me say the word and I'll be there!

John is coming home from
Germany the last of next month
for a month's vacation with us -
he has been away for over three
years and I can scarcely wait
to see him.

My very best to you dear,
and tell Emma I said
to take good care of you!
Love

May 18, 1958.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Janet--

I have yours from "Sobre Mundo" - whatever that means.
It sounds like an Indian with cold feet or the ballyache.

I am glad you got through and only had to pay one
fine. You probably deserved a dozen.

We finally had a lovely rain here and it is very
cool and pleasant.

I may have to go North to see a Doctor, - not that
I think he can do me any good, but I am going North anyway
after awhile.

Yours,

CGF:AVH

CARL G. FISHER.

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, N. Y.

May 18-1938.

Dear Carl;-

Had to laugh over your idea of the meaning of the name of our place-it is Portuguese and means on top of the world-you see the house sits right on the top of a mountain-2600 feet up and we look out on an impressive panorama of mountains-hence the name which we think is very appropriate. You see you must brush up on your portuguese.

I am sorry you have to see a Doctor-I had hopes that you were improveing. Do get a good one-why not go to Johns Hopkins, ^{in Baltimore, MD.} and go through their clinic-they are supposed to have the best doctors in the U.S.A. there. Let me know when and where you go.

Do hope you are feeling better. How is the weather there? Here it is still quite cool

but the mountain air is so pure and invigorating
I feel fine all the time. Sunday A.M. we had
about two inches of snow-the flakes were as large
as silver dollars-it only stayed on for the
morning.

Cheerio -good luck and let me hear from
you--best always,

Jane

May 25, 1938.

Mrs. Jane Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, N. Y.

Dear Jane:-

I have your letter of the 18th.

Your letterhead says "Sobre Mundo" and then you tell me that the name of the place is Portuguese.

There are lots of yachts named like you have named your place. Nobody can spell it or remember it. Why in h--- don't you get a name such as "Sucker Hill" or some name like that?

I have a Johns-Hopkins Medicoe now. They don't offer much assistance as there is nothing they can do, so I am just drifting along, doing the best I can.

We are having lovely weather here, and while it is a little warm in the middle of the day, the nights have been cool and very pleasant.

Yours,

CGF:AVH

CARL G. FISHER.

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, N. Y.
June 28-'38.

Dear Carl;-

More than a month has passed since you wrote me-the time just flies up here-I am so busy every minute-the Spring is the busy time you know with farmers and gardeners. My gardens are too lovely -only I am sorry the much needed rain had to come and spoil all the peonie blossoms which were a riot of color all over the garden. Wish you could have seen them-they were a picture. I did so want them to last until Saturday for John to see-he will be home for two months-I can hardly wait to see him.

By the newspapers I see that Montauk has been re-organized and supposed that you would be north soon by that - but Mr. Purchase writes me that he has seen you and that you are remaining in Miami Beach. I did so hope you would come up to Johns Hopkins and see what they could do for

6/28/38

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT. N. Y.

you-they have such marvelous Doctors there and have made such wonderful advancement in treatment of stubborn cases. I am afraid the Doctors down t there are not doing very much for you. I asked Mr. Purchase to go and see you and tell you about the man he knows in Johns Hopkins who does such wonderful things with cases of your kind. He tells me he has seen you but that you think all is being done for you that can be-surely not-do go and try them. PLEASE.

I hope Emma is taking good care of you and that you are feeling better. Give Emma my regards and tell her she had better take care of you-or else. Glad the weather is comfortable..

Mother was down last week and says the Col. is not at all well-his heart is bad-well he is 84 so can't expect too much of a ticker that has run that long. Best always, love. Paul

July 5, 1938.

Mrs. Jane Santos,
"Notre Dame"
Highmount, N. Y.

Dear Janet-

Mr. Furchase called on me and made the suggestion that I go to Johns-Hopkins, but I have a very good Doctor here and have the best of advice.

There isn't anything you can do for the liver. If it was any other part of the body, they might do something to help. Thanks just the same for your interest.

We are having very nice weather here and I don't know whether I will get North or not.

Yours,

CCF:AVH

CARL G. FISHER.

P.S.--I am sorry I won't get a chance to see John. Give him my regards.

G.G.F.

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GARL G. FISHER.

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G.G.F.

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, NEW YORK

Dear Carl;-

August 24-1938.

It has been some time since I received your last letter and I want to apologize for not answering it sooner but I have had my hands full this summer-so many kids here while John was home-he sailed last night at midnight on the Bremen. Carl I wish you could have seen him. He has developed into the finest type of young man-so serious and intelligent and so interested in his work. While he was here Alfred Sloan sent for him to come and dine with him and he told him of the plans he has for him-another year in Berlin then England for a couple of years then he has a foreign branch managership for him. I am so proud he is making good. We all had such fun while he was here that I feel absolutely lost without him-I kept two of the kids up here-could not bear the house without them. They are so gay and happy some thing doing every moment. But then you know how I have always adored kids.

How are you feeling? I do hope better. It is quite cool and windy up here on top of the mountain to-day but I love it. I am very busy transplanting peonies. But the wind drove me in.

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, NEW YORK

John asked about you while he was here and was sorry to hear that you had not been very well-he sent his best to you.

Now Carl please write me soon and tell me how you are-I wish you had come north to some good man up here for I am sure something could have been done to help you.

We all went up to Mother's Monday-five kids and Mrs. Palmer-you remember her-you met her at my house and she was the one who told you the organ story that amused you so much-and I all went up for lunch-we had a wonderful day and Mother was so happy. The Col has not been too well-he is 84 and his heart is not so good but both he and Mother look fine.

Do send me some word of yourself real soon.

With every good thought and wish for you, dear,

Jane

*Jill Gunn
"Nell's"*

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, NEW YORK

John asked about you while he was here and was sorry to hear that you had not been very well-he sent his best to you.

Now Carl please write me soon and tell me how you are-I wish you had come north to some good man up here for I am sure something could have been done to help you.

We all went up to Mother's Monday-five kids and Mrs. Palmer-you remember her-you met her at my house and she was the one who told you the organ story that amused you so much-and I all went up for lunch-we had a wonderful day and Mother was so happy. The Col has not been too well-he is 84 and his heart is not so good but both he and Mother look fine.

Do send me some word of yourself real soon.

With every good thought and wish for you, dear,

Jane

Tell Gramma
"Hello"

August 27, 1958.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Janet--

I am glad to hear from you, particularly about John.
I am really sorry that I didn't get to see him and have a talk
with him.

It is nice weather here just now - warm in the middle
of the day, but my little house is very comfortable.

I am doing all that I can for my own troubles, and all
the doctors in the United States combined couldn't do any more
than I am doing.

I am glad to hear from you, and my best regards.

Yours,

CGF:AVH

CARL G. FISHER.

Sept. 19, 1936.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Janet:-

Glad to have yours of the 13th.

I know there are a lot of reports circulating that I am dying, and some that I am already dead and buried.

I have felt very good in the last three weeks, as compared with the previous seven months. I do everything that the Doctors advise not to do, and I eat everything that they advise not to eat; and I frequently work seven or eight hours a day - but I am not playing tennis yet.

I have transferred 20 pounds from my neck and shoulders to my abdomen. I go to the hospital once a week and get tapped for 20 pounds.

So now you have the "low-down".

A hurricane warning is out today but it may not amount to much. If it is going to blow, I am glad I am here to see it.

Regards,

Yours,

CCF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

October 1, 1938.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Munde",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Mrs. Santos:-

Father Barry phoned this morning, saying that someone had informed him that some property belonging to you in Coral Gables was to be sold for taxes, and suggesting that I get in touch with Mr. Sterrett at the Court House. Before doing so, however, I informed Mr. Fisher of the circumstances and he thought it best to find out if your attorneys were handling the matter for you in your absence.

I called Judge Smather's office and was informed that they had been trying to reach you for several weeks; also, as I understand it, Mr. Sterrett had been endeavoring to contact you by air mail letter, but had received no response from you. I gave them your above address and understand they are wiring you today.

Judge Smather is out of the city but Mr. George Smather talked with me. He said of course you would have an opportunity to redeem the property, but of course it would be much better to pay the taxes before the sale on Monday.

I trust they will be able to reach you today and that the matter can be settled promptly. Father Barry seemed to think someone rather undesirable was endeavoring to buy the property.

Yours very truly,

Secretary to Mr. Fisher.

October 1, 1958.

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"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, NEW YORK

Dear Carl: -

Thank you so much
for advising me of the
sale of Coral Gable's lot
which I did not own -
but by now I've heard Julian
Lifsey has told you the story
so you are wrong - I am
not slipping so there!

It won't be long before it will
be time to trek Southward
but the weather is delightful
Here now and I've never seen
such a beautiful fall - the
colorings in the trees are gorgeous!

Our old sow presented us with
eight little pigs last Sunday
and not a runt in the litter.
Early in November when it is
cold we will butcher two big 300
pounders and have a feast of fresh
pork.

We're gathering apples - will
have about 150 bushels and
as we sprayed the trees five or
six times we have marbles
apples - some of them weigh
over a pound and are huge -
I've just finished a garden
down by the woods. Put in a
wall + steps - a fowl and walk
I am proud of it and everyone
says it is beautiful - I planted over
3000 ferns and 2000 daffodil
bulbs.

Now here I babbled on and
have not asked you how you
are feeling - do hope better.

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, NEW YORK

We expect to be in N. B.
Sometime between Dec. 1st &
15th we are anxious to bag
a deer this season - going
pheasant shooting Sunday.
I had such a grand ride
this P.M. Rene made wide
paths all thru the woods &
its leisurely riding over.
Mother is coming Friday to
spend the day and she & Col.
will leave Sat 20th for Miami
Beach. She will come to see
you soon after.
Please thank your secretary
for her interest in my welfare
& appreciate it.
Thank you dear and do let

we hear soon from you
are.

I hope Anna is taking
good care of you.

I am fine in fact too fine!
Have gained about ten
pounds and I am furious!

Do not seem to be able to
diet & take it off - Perse!
an appetite like a horse!

Best always

Truly

Yours,

Oct 12 - 1938

What do you think of the new
proposed 4th Causeway?

October 19, 1958.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Janet:-

Glad to hear from you, and especially that you have gained ten pounds. You commenced to look like a monkey-wrench for awhile.

You should see me. I have lost 25 pounds around my shoulders and put it all on my stomach; but every Friday I go up to the hospital and they stick a hole in me, and I lose 25 pounds - so, the books balance.

I heard all about your place the other day, and I wish you would write and tell me more about this fellow who bought your house. He came down to see me and I wasn't very cordial to him, but I might have made a mistake. He seems to be quite lonesome, and I would like to know more about him before I ask him to have a bottle of beer.

Best regards.

Yours,

CARL G. FISHER.

CGF:AWM

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, NEW YORK

October 22-1938.

Dear Carl;-

I was glad to hear from you and had a laugh over your description of your changes of weight.

First I want to tell you that Julian Lifsey the man who bought my little Alton Road house is a darned nice fellow and I think you would enjoy having him in to have a bottle of beer with you. He had a terrible shock and is having a hard time to get over the death of his wife. It was a bad experience for him. He is a good friend of mine and I would appreciate your being nice to him.

This past week has been a night mare to me-Mother went to an Albany man to have her glasses changed-the man examined her eyes and then began looking carefully at her left eye-after about two hours of examination he had her tilted back on a table when he bent over her and whispered in her ear, "You have a cancer on your left eyeball and will have to have your eye removed right away." I could have shot him. Well we took her down to New York and after five specialists all told her the same thing we had her operated on Wednesday afternoon at 1:30. She was terribly brave-such a good sport and so courageous. We stayed with her until yesterday-she is getting along fine-no complications and the growth was confined to her eye ball. It was the type that goes quickly either to the brain or the lung and would be sure to cause her death. She will be able to leave the Hospital Wednesday-Roy will take her home and I am going up to Albany Thursday to see her. She can have a glass eye put in in about three weeks. She will go to Fla. Early in December or last of Nov. Her servants left last Tuesday and they were all packed ready to go on the 20th. when the Dr. gave her the bad news. I feel so terribly sorry for her but they all say we were very lucky to have caught it in time to save her life.

I know you will be sorry to hear this

I wish you could see this place up here-
it has been so beautiful all summer and fall-
and still is lovely-I rode this afternoon-I
adore my little mare "Dixie" she was very fresh t
to-day as she had not been ~~out~~ since I was away
and she wanted to go like the wind all the way
we had such fun. I hope I never have to go to
New York City again. The weather was frightful-
so hot-85 one day.

Had a letter ~~from~~ John yestreday in
which he said that he would be back in this
country in about six weeks -I will be happy
to have him back in this country.

It will not be long before I see you again-
we expect to leave here some time between the
1st and 15th of Dec. We want to bag a deer and
have a venison steak before leaving. We still
have warmish weather-last year we had snow at
this time. I have been making some new gardens
and planting bulbs for the Spring.

Best to you always-hope you are feeling
better wish I could get rid of my ten pounds
but I have such a good cook and the mountain air
makes me so hungry that I eat too much-but what
the dickens - if I feel good what are a few ~~pound~~
pounds more or less?

Let me hear from you when you
have time.

Love

P.S. Have you heard about Harry Buschmann's
death? I am enclosing the clippings sent me
by my cousin in Indianapolis. Too bad-he was
such a fine fellow-do you remember that it was
he who introduced us? J.

October 27, 1958.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Jane:-

Your letter of the 22nd received.

Of course I am very sorry to hear of your mother's trouble.
I suppose it was necessary to remove the entire eye, to remove the cancer.

Tell her there are hundreds of people walking along the streets every day who have glass eyes, and sometimes even their own relatives don't know it. Personally, I get along pretty well with one eye.

We are having delightful weather here, and if she gets down here and located in the sun and this wonderful air, it will probably do a lot to help cheer her up.

I was much shocked to hear of Harry's death, and of course I don't forget the early days. I hope you wrote his folks a note.

Regards,

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

November 1, 1933.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Jane:-

I wish you would tell me all about this Julian Lifsey, and the lots you bought from him, or traded with him, and what they cost you. In fact, I would like to know what sort of a deal you had with him.

I asked him down the other night and went to the theater with him, and I wasn't impressed with him at all. He was a dull man to talk with, and one reason he wanted to talk to me was to see if he could interest me in a lot of Coral Gables property that he has.

Give me all the particulars.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

GARL G. FISHER.

4101 pine tree drive
miami beach, florida

April 23
1939.

Dear Carl;-

We spent two days in Charleston and are now on our way to Norfolk having set sail at five thirty this morning. It was hot in the town and we are all glad to be again on our way. We girls went out to see the famous gardens which unfortunately had about lost their blooms-they must be a gorgeous sight when in their full glory of riotous color while we had to be content to imagine from the picture post cards.

We drove around the old city and went into one of the old churches where I read this inscription on a tablet, "He most lives who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best." It seems to me that covers about all there is in life.

Our trip has been uneventful so far-every one is happy and congenial. We have Frances, Lindsey and Bessie Palmer with us. You remember you met *Bessie* one time at my little house on Alton Road-she told you of the time she ruined a friend's pipe organ-remember? They are both good company and we have many laughs together. The weather has been perfect-the air is getting that undefinable spring quality in it that only comes in the north in the Spring. We saw many cardinals and blue birds in the gardens of Charleston and also had letters telling us of the safe arrival of our servants with our great dane pups who behaved like angels on the trip north.

I do hope you are feeling better and that you can get away

May 6, 1939.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Bohre Mundo,"
Highmount, New York.

Dear Jane:-

Yours of April 23rd received.

I am glad to know that you were having a good trip.

I am getting along very well nowadays. I am finishing up the Club, and expect to go North in July.

I am enclosing a membership application for the Club, if you wish to join. This is an unusual Club. All of us pay dues and do a lot of work for nothing.

Yours,

GGF:AVH
Enclosure

CARL G. FISHER.

"SOBRE MUNDO"
HIGHMOUNT, NEW YORK

May 14-1939.

Dear Carl;-

Yours of the sixth received-glad to hear from you-glad you are getting along well. I have been suffering with a terrific cold-in fact all of us have them-my maid is in bed and Alberto should be too-I just got up and feel very good now. Hope the old cold has been broken. We had good weather for a few days then to-day and yesterday is raw and cold and yesterday we had a few flakes of snow.

You said in your letter you were enclosing a membership blank for the Club but it was not in your letter.

We came very near selling the boat to Maco Stewart but he wanted us to deliver her to Galveston Texas for payment-this we would not do. I do not think he will ever get anyone who will deliver a boat without any money having been paid on it at all. He and his wife wanted the boat very much but we just could not see it his way. I am glad we did not sell in a way-then another way to look at it-we have no use for it for 8

months and the docking facilities are not at all good up here and we are so crazy about our place that we never want to leave long enough to use the boat at all. So considering everything we thought it might be wise to sell-but guess the deal is all off now as we have heard nothing today from them.

I left the boat at Norfolk and Alberto brought her on around and had a pretty tough time of it in the Chesapeake but he finally got into New York and we came up last Sunday from N.Y. Brought the Stewarts up with us and they fell in love with the "Jane". Said they saw you in Miami Beach. he is a sweet little woman.

Take care of yourself and let me hear from you. When do you expect to go north? Mother is leaving on the 24th. Go see her before if you can.

Best,

Jane

May 18, 1959.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Janet-

Yours of the 14th received.

You should know better than to go North in the cold weather.

Am glad you were smart enough not even to consider sending your boat to Maco Stewart on a G.O.D. plan, or any other plan. He tried to "boloney" me but didn't even get off the home plate.

Of course I think that your boat trip was too long and tiresome, and then personally I don't think you need any such boat as you have, because it is too big and expensive - but, of course, that is none of my business. But the idea of going from here North and back to the South in the boat is a lot of foolishness.

Maco may be all right and have the money to buy the boat, but when you sell boats, it is a very tricky business.

We don't send out any application blanks, except a letter.

Mrs. Matheson and Mrs. Burbank, with some friends, were at the Club yesterday.

We had our first little glass bottom fishing boat delivered to the Club yesterday. It is the sweetest thing you ever saw. It runs 50 miles on a gallon of gasoline, and it is an interesting little boat for inside waters. Of course, it isn't intended to give luncheons or cocktail parties on it.

We had a bunch of swell turtles delivered yesterday by Hugh Matheson, who is our Fleet Commodore.

Yours,

CGF:AVH

CARL G. FISHER.

June 20, 1939.

Mrs. Alberto Santos,
"Sobre Mundo",
Highmount, New York.

Dear Jane:-

Mrs. Palmer called me up a couple of times about the lilacs and finally delivered them. They seemed to have been all mixed up in the Post Office here.

It is too bad that you went to all that trouble, and then have them arrive out of order, and Mrs. Palmer was worried about the affair more than necessary.

I am going to try and get North in July for a month or six weeks. I expect to wander up in the mountains near Bennett's place, and back to Montauk about every eight days. That's what I am figuring on now, but I don't know just what I am going to do.

Regards.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.