

**Fisher,
Margaret
Collier
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FIRST NATIONAL BANK

MIAMI, FLA. Mar 15 1921

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

Six 3938 ⁷⁰/₁₀₀ DOLLARS

NUMBER

Income Tax

Margaret E. Collier

MEMBER JACKSONVILLE



FIRST NATIONAL BANK 6235

MIAMI, FLA. June 8 1921

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

NUMBER

Balance income tax

in full

Margaret E. Collier

259 E. Flagler St

MEMBER JACKSONVILLE

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA

INCOME & PROFITS TAX ACCOUNT

This check is in payment of an obligation to the United States and must be paid at par

NO PROTEST

MAR 22 1921

JAS. M. CATHCART

COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE
DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.

PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA

PAY TO THE ORDER OF
ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED

MAR 22 1921

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH

6349 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA 6349
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

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PAY TO THE ORDER OF
JACKSONVILLE BRANCH

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA

INCOME & PROFITS TAX ACCOUNT

THIS CHECK IS IN PAYMENT OF AN OBLIGATION TO THE UNITED STATES AND MUST BE PAID AT PAR

NO PROTEST

JUN 25 1921

DANIEL T. GEROW

COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE
DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.

PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA

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PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED

JUN 25 1921

JACKSONVILLE BRANCH

6349 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA 6349
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK 71045

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

to the United States and must be paid in full
NO PROTEST

DANIEL T. GEROW
Collector of Internal Revenue

Miami, Fla. Mar 14 1922

W. T. Gerow \$6

60/100 DOLLARS

Margaret E. Collier

GREEN BILLS JACKSONVILLE

Nighland Co. Bank 56,510
~~The Bank of Bay Biscayne~~

NUMBER

PAY TO THE ORDER OF

to the United States and must be paid in full
NO PROTEST

Greenfield, Ohio
Call
DANIEL T. GEROW
Collector of Internal Revenue

March 15 1923

Internal Revenue \$1.20

20/100 DOLLARS

Margaret E. Collier



A. J. Brown

PAY TO THE ORDER OF
JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA
INDEBTED PROFITS TAX ACCOUNT
THIS CHECK IS IN PAYMENT OF AN OBLIGATION TO
THE UNITED STATES AND MUST BE PAID AT PAR
NO PROTEST

MAR 01 1922

DANIEL T. CROW
COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE
DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

PAY TO THE ORDER OF
ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED
JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA

PAY TO THE ORDER OF
ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED

MAR 21 1922
JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
6319 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA 6319
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

PAY TO THE ORDER OF
ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED
MAY 20 1923
MAR 20 1923
JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA
INDEBTED PROFITS TAX ACCOUNT
THIS CHECK IS IN PAYMENT OF AN OBLIGATION TO
THE UNITED STATES AND MUST BE PAID AT PAR
NO PROTEST

MAR 20 1923

DANIEL T. CROW
COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE
DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

PAY TO THE ORDER OF
ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED
JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA

PAY TO THE ORDER OF
ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED

MAR 20 1923
JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
6319 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA 6319
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

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7.P
No.

2312

1058

May 26th

1926

PORT WASHINGTON NATIONAL BANK

Port Washington, Long Island

Pay to the order of

Collector of Internal Revenue

\$23.68

Jacksonville

Twenty three 68/100 Dollars

Additional tax for 1925.

Margaret E Collier

U.S. Bond.

REMITTANCE ADVICE—TEAR OFF BEFORE DEPOSITING—NO RECEIPT REQUIRED

IN FULL SETTLEMENT OF

DISTRIBUTION

Payment in lieu of check #4950, of 7-23-28 on which payment was stopped	1,000.00	Combined Bank Balances	1,000.00
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PAY TO THE ORDER OF
 ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
 PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED
 JUN - 4 1926
 JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA
 JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

THE ORDER OF
 JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA
 INCOME & PROFITS TAX ACCOUNT
 THIS CHECK IS IN PAYMENT OF AN OBLIGATION TO
 THE UNITED STATES AND MUST BE PAID AT PAR.
 NO PROTEST

JUN 4 1926
 PETER H. WALKER
 COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE
 DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

PAY TO THE ORDER OF
 ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
 PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED
 JACKSONVILLE BRANCH
 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA

PAY ANY BANK, BANKER OR TRUST CO.
 OR ORDER
 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
 JUN - 7 1926
 120 OF NEW YORK 1-120
 PRIOR ENDORSEMENTS GUARANTEED

NEW YORK

REMITTANCE ADVICE—TEAR OFF BEFORE DEPOSITING—NO RECEIPT REQUIRED

IN FULL SETTLEMENT OF *

Cash advance

250.00

3/23/34 DISTRIBUTION
OK by Carl G. Fisher Co
Carl G. Fisher

250.00

REMITTANCE ADVICE—TEAR OFF BEFORE DEPOSITING—NO RECEIPT REQUIRED

IN FULL SETTLEMENT OF

Cash advance

250.00

DISTRIBUTION

Carl G. Fisher

250.00

dlep
May 18-34

IN FULL SETTLEMENT OF

DISTRIBUTION

Monthly allowance (September 1930)
due Mrs. Margaret C. Fisher

1,000.00

Carl G. Fisher

1,000.00

Memo:

May 12th, 1924.

Margaret
Mr. Kohlhepp:

Your memo of the 9th, regarding Miss Collier's lot. Sorry this sale missed, but probably another will turn up soon. I don't believe now that it would be best to put a house on this lot, as Miss Collier would prefer to speculate further North.

I don't know anything about the house Floyd speaks of for Jess Andrew; possibly you had better write him direct.

I think it would be a mistake to take Fisher as Ringwood's assistant. A man of his age who has consistently gotten no place is not reliable to tie to, and I would much prefer younger men.

I have looked over Geiger's bill and, as far as I can see, it is O.K. of course, the charge for the Montmare School is to be charged to Miss Ryan.

This is the first time I have known of a \$20,000 expenditure for the dormitory. Please cancel this, as we do not need it at this time; and I would rather see the Nautilus go through one more season and build the dormitory later.

I had in mind putting some small buildings adjoining the office building; and I think it would be wise to do so now. Have a plan made which will give the best results and let me see it as soon as possible.

I have just received New York exchange for \$18,420.00 from John Levi, representing 15% dividend. In as much as I will soon need some funds here, I will deposit this at this end of the line.

Please see copy of your letter of April 23rd to me, in which your stenographer states that you have given Webster \$2500.00 for expense money. I assume you gave him \$25.00

Carl G. Fisher

A C SPARK PLUG COMPANY

FLINT, MICHIGAN

OFFICE OF
THE PRESIDENT

Margaret

June 2nd, 1925.

Miss June 5

Miss Margaret Collier,
c/o Carl G. Fisher,
Port Washington, Long Island, N.Y.

My dear Margaret:-

I received your letter of the 29th ult. and wish to state that we feel greatly honored to have our photographs sent to Persia to be woven in a Persian rug.

I took your letter home yesterday to show to Edna and I am forwarding her picture together with mine under separate cover. Edna is wondering if you received the letter she wrote to you as she has had no reply. Her address is R.F.D. #6 Pontiac, Michigan.

We will be going East in about two weeks at which time we hope to have the pleasure of seeing you and Carl.

Edna joins me in sending our best regards.

Sincerely yours,

S. Chapman

AC:GR

CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED
TELEGRAM
DAY LETTER
NIGHT MESSAGE
NIGHT LETTER
Patrons should mark an X opposite the class of service desired; OTHERWISE THE MESSAGE WILL BE TRANSMITTED AS A FULL-RATE TELEGRAM

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

NO.	CASH OR CHG
CHECK	
TIME FILED	

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

Aug. 1st, 1925.
19To W. A. KOHLHEPPStreet and No. (or Telephone Number) Miami Beach, Fla.

Place _____

Have notice from Lesser Revenue Agent Miami to appear there

Aug third with tax data for years 1920 to 1924 Stop Data in

Deposit Box at Bank I had no taxable income until nineteen

twenty four except salary Stop Buchanan filed report for

1924 Received letter dated June 20th from Collector Miller

Jacksonville advising errors on my return were corrected

and refund schedule for fifty four dollars would be made

out and forwarded to Washington and that I would receive check

in due course Check has not been received Please advise

action.

Margaret E. Collier

SENDER'S ADDRESS
FOR REFERENCESENDER'S TELE-
PHONE NUMBER

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Aug. 1st, 1925. 19

To C. H. LESSER, INTERNAL REVENUE AGENT

Street and No. (or Telephone Number) Treasury Department

Place Miami, Fla.

Notice to appear at Miami August third regarding income tax has been forwarded to me here and just received. Stop Tax data for years mentioned at Miami in Safety Deposit box Stop I had no taxable income until nineteen twenty four except salary

Margaret E. Collier

SENDER'S ADDRESS
FOR REFERENCE

SENDER'S TELE-
PHONE NUMBER

304.08
3529.93

3834.01 — misc
note

15

18834.01

credit

9

9834.01

due -

Jul 10 - 25

~~6000~~

Jan 10 - 26

~~3000 -~~

A C SPARK PLUG COMPANY

FLINT, MICHIGAN

OFFICE OF
THE PRESIDENT

February 2nd, 1926.

Margaret

Miss Margaret Collier,
c/o Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Miami Beach, Fla.

My dear Margaret:-

I am sending herewith copy of wire and letter which I have sent to Mr. Krom. This delay is due to business reasons. We wanted to leave Sunday but it is impossible, so will leave Thursday, the 11th.

I am sending by express today, a mechanical alligator to Mr. Fisher. My suggestion is that you use it the first evening you have people at home and start it coming in the room at the most opportune time. The operation is to wind the alligator with the key which is attached and then there is a little push button which works on a clutch for starting and stopping.

Looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you and Carl, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A. Champion
A. Champion.

AC:GR

OFFICE OF INTERNAL REVENUE AGENT IN CHARGE, Jacksonville, Florida.

Date

May 13, 26

Name of Taxpayer

Margaret E. Collier

Address

C/o Carl F. Fisher Properties

Street and Number

Account Number

95633

Year of Return

1925

City or Town

Miami Beach

State

Fla.

RE-COMPUTATION OF TAX LIABILITY - 1925

19. Earned Net Income	<u>5195.68</u>	30. Net Income	<u>5195.68</u>	41. Normal Tax at 1½%	<u>55.28</u>
20. Less personal exemption & credit for dependents	<u>1500.</u>	Less:		42. Normal Tax at 3%	
21. Balance	<u>3695.68</u>	31. Dividends	<u>10.00</u>	43. Normal Tax at 5%	
22. Amount taxable at 1½% (first \$4000)	<u>3695.68</u>	32. Int. on Liberty Bonds, etc.		44. Surtax on Net Income	
23. Amount taxable at 3% (next \$4000)		33. Personal exemption	<u>1500.00</u>	45. Adjustment for capital gain or loss	
24. Balance taxable at 5%		34. Credit for dependents		46. Total of above	<u>55.28</u>
25. Normal Tax at 1½%	<u>55.43</u>	35. Total	<u>1510.00</u>	47. Less earned income credit	<u>13.82</u>
26. Normal Tax at 3%		36. Balance	<u>3685.68</u>	48. Total Tax	<u>41.46</u>
27. Normal Tax at 5%		37. Amount taxable at 1½% (first \$4000)	<u>3685.68</u>	Less:	
28. Surtax on earned income		38. Balance		49. Tax paid at source	
28a. Total Tax on earned income	<u>55.43</u>	39. Amount taxable at 3% (next \$4000)		50. Income and profit taxes paid to a foreign country or U.S. Possession	
29. Credit of 25% (not over 25% of Items 28, 41, 42 and 43)	<u>13.82</u>	40. Balance taxable at 5%		51. Balance of Tax	<u>41.46</u>
				52. Amount shown on return	<u>17.78</u>
				53. Additional Tax Due	<u>23.68</u>

No.

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on attached memo. for errors.

E. Cook

Auditor.

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO TO Mr. J. J. Redfield

DATE August 19, 1926.

FROM Mr. H. W. Davis

SUBJECT _____

Please investigate thoroughly and give me at your earliest convenience a memorandum covering:

- A - What circumstances are regarded by the laws of New York as creating a common law wife.
- B - What rights of dower and inheritance are vested by the laws of New York in a common law wife.
- C - The rate of income taxation imposed on residents, by the State of New York, with income ranging from \$50,000 to \$500,000 per annum.
- D - The rate of inheritance tax imposed by the State of New York upon resident decedents whose assets range from \$1,000,000 to \$20,000,000.

NY
1/3 Resid
All income
Now in NY
Fla
1/3 Resid
1/3 Resid
1/3 Resid

MEMORANDUM
CONFIDENTIAL

1/63% below 50,000
3% above
1/4 of 1% to 10%
see first in Fla
now

H. W. DAVIS

HWD/EVF

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO TO MR. DAVIS

DATE August 24, 1926.

FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT Rights of Common Law wife in
New York City.

Pursuant to your attached memorandum, dated August 19th, on the above subject, please note the following:

(a) In general any circumstances from which a present agreement may be inferred between competent parties are sufficient in New York to constitute a Common Law or non-ceremonial marriage.

By the Laws of 1901, Chapter 339, Section 19 it was provided that "no marriage claimed to have been contracted on or after the first day of January, 1902 within this State, otherwise than in this article provided, shall be valid for any purpose whatever". It has been held in numerous cases that this Section expressly prohibited Common Law marriages in this State.

Fisk v Holding 163 App. Div. 85
Matter of Hinman 147 App. Div. 452.

This Section, however, has by Chapter 742 of the Laws of 1907 been repealed, and it has been held that after such repeal the law originally prevailing again came into operation, and Common Law marriages became valid.

Ziegler v Cassidy 220 N.Y. 98, 115 N.E. 471.

To the same effect see

Davidson V Ream 97 Misc. 89
Nani v Nani 120 Misc. 249.

As to the particular elements necessary in order to establish a Common Law marriage, please note the following cases:

A contract of marriage made per verba de praesenti amounts to actual marriage and is valid.

Canjolle v Ferrie 26 Barb. 177.

When there is no solemnization of marriage, the question is, was there an agreement to live together as husband and wife; was there a marriage contract animo et facto with the intent to assume an honorable and lasting obligation.

Hill v Burger 3 Bradf. Surr. 432.

Although cohabitation and reputation are the circumstances from which a marriage in fact may be inferred, these circumstances do not, of themselves, constitute a marriage. They are evidence merely of a marriage contract which may be rebutted by other evidence, such as the admission of one of the parties that they were to have been married on a certain contingency.

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DATE _____

FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT _____

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It is a sufficient actual marriage to support an indictment for bigamy, that the parties agree to be husband and wife and cohabit and recognize each other as such.

Hayes v People 25 N.Y. 390.

The parties being under engagement of marriage, the man objected to any ceremony, insisting that marriage without it was valid, the woman acceded to his wish. While riding in a carriage on the day fixed for the marriage, he put on her finger a wedding ring, which she received as such, he saying "This is your wedding ring; we are married just as much as Charles is to his wife, (referring to his Brother and his Sister-in-Law), I will live with you and take care of you all the days of my life." He thereupon took her to a house where he had previously engaged board for himself and wife and for some weeks they resided there as such. It was held that this was a valid marriage.

Bissel v Bissel 7 Abb. Pr. N.S. 16, 55 Barb. 325.

The marriage relation rests on mutual consent. Cohabitation does not constitute marriage; it is merely evidence of it.

Bollerman v Blake 24 Hun. 187.

While an agreement between man and woman to assume the relation of husband and wife may be established by the fact that cohabitation and reputation among their friends and neighbors and recognition of each other as holding that relation, these facts of themselves do not constitute a marriage, but are simply evidence of it, from which, if sufficiently strong, the courts are at liberty to infer that the cohabitation was the result of a previous agreement to become man and wife and from that fact to infer further that a marriage actually existed between the parties.

Matter of Brush 25 App.Div. 610.

A Common Law marriage may be said to be one not statutory or recognized by law, and such marriage may be ^{non-}ceremonial in that the parties may adopt any ceremony they elect, or all ceremony may be dispensed with.

A simple consent, statement or promise between the parties, sufficient to make a contract, is only necessary and this whether marriage be regarded as a contract or a status. The contract completes the marriage and it is not necessary that it be followed by cohabitation.

Davidson v Ream 97, Misc. 89.

To constitute a Common Law marriage there must be an agreement between

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MEMO TO MR. DAVIS

DATE _____

FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT _____

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the parties and a present consent to take each other as husband and wife with the resulting obligations arising from the marriage relation. It is not sufficient to establish a Common Law marriage, that the parties lived together and represented themselves to be man and wife.

Graham v Graham 211 App. Div. 580.

(b) A Common Law wife is entitled to the same rights as to dower and inheritance as the wife of a man under a solemnized marriage.

In a suit for dower it is not necessary to prove the solemnity of marriage.

Gilder v Post 2 Edw. Ch. 577.

I have not been able to find any direct authority for the proposition that a Common Law wife has the same rights as to the distribution of personalty as has a wife under a solemnized marriage; but in the absence of statute or cases on the subject, such would quite obviously seem to be the case.

(c) Section 551 of Article 16 of the New York Tax Law entitled "Taxes upon individuals with respect to personal income", imposes upon every resident of the State an annual income tax at rates as follows:

- One per centum (1%) of the amount of net income not exceeding \$10,000.
- Two per centum (2%) of the amount of net income in excess of \$10,000., but not in excess of \$50,000.
- Three per centum (3%) of the amount of net income in excess of \$50,000.

The net income referred to herein is construed to mean income from sources from without as well as within the State. However, a resident individual is allowed to deduct from the tax computed to be paid, any income tax which the particular individual has paid in any other state.

(d) The inheritance tax rate in New York upon resident decedents whose assets range from \$1,000,000., to \$20,000,000., is as follows:

If the net estate (determined as provided in section two hundred forty-nine-c) exceeds one million dollars, a tax equal to the sum of the following percentages of the value of the net estate so determined is hereby imposed upon the transfer of the net estate of every decedent dying after the enactment of this article who at the time of his death was a resident of the state of New York:

1. One-quarter of one per centum of the amount of the net estate not in excess of fifty thousand dollars;
2. One-half of one per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds fifty thousand dollars and does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars;

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FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT _____

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5. Three-quarters of one per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds one hundred thousand dollars and does not exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars;

4. One per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds one hundred fifty thousand dollars and does not exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars;

5. One and one-half per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds two hundred fifty thousand dollars and does not exceed four hundred fifty thousand dollars.

6. Two and one-quarter per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds four hundred fifty thousand dollars and does not exceed seven hundred fifty thousand dollars.

7. Three per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds seven hundred fifty thousand dollars and does not exceed one million dollars;

8. Three and three-quarters per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds one million dollars and does not exceed one million five hundred thousand dollars;

9. Four and one-half per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds one million five hundred thousand dollars and does not exceed two million dollars;

10. Five and one-quarter per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds two million dollars and does not exceed three million dollars;

11. Six per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds three million dollars and does not exceed four million dollars;

12. Six and three-quarters per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds four million dollars and does not exceed five million dollars;

13. Seven and one-half per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds five million dollars and does not exceed eight million dollars;

14. Eight and three-quarters per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds eight million dollars and does not exceed ten million dollars;

15. Ten per centum of the amount by which the net estate exceeds ten million dollars.

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FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT _____

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This tax, therefore, is imposed on estates of a value in excess of \$1,000,000, at the rates hereinbefore set forth.


JOHN J. REDFIELD

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AMTHERMILL
BOND
MADE IN U.S.A.

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO TO Mr. J. J. Redfield

DATE August 27, 1926.

FROM Mr. H. W. Davis

SUBJECT _____


I have your very excellent memorandum in response to my request of August 19 concerning common law wives, dower and taxation. Please supplement the memorandum stating:

- 1 - Dower and distributive share to which a wife is entitled from a childless marriage in the State of New York
- 2 - Please make the same investigations requested in my memo of August 19 with respect to the laws of the State of Florida, and furnish me a memorandum of same



HUGH W. DAVIS

HWD/EVF

WAK
Read & talk to me
at your convenience


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MEMO TO MR. DAVIS

DATE SEPTEMBER 2, 1926

FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT DOWER AND DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE
in New York OF CHILDLESS WIFE

In reply to your memorandum dated August 27th, and supplementing the information asked for in your memorandum of August 19th, please note the following:

1. As to dower: The wife of a childless marriage is entitled to a one-third part of all lands whereof her husband was seized of an estate of inheritance at any time during the marriage.
2. As to the distribution of personalty: The distributive share of a wife of a childless marriage varies, dependent upon whether or not the parents and brothers and sisters of the intestate were living at the time of his death. The following diagram, particularly the starred portions thereof, I believe will answer your questions:

STATUTE OF DISTRIBUTION - DECEDENT ESTATE LAW,
SECTIONS 98 - 100
Personal Property - Male's and Female's Estate.

Widow	Children and other Descendants (Representation per Stirpes)	Parents	Brothers and Sisters (Representation per Stirpes)	More Remote (No Representation - Members of first living class take per capita)
1/3	Residue			
*1/2	None	Residue		
*1/2 Plus \$2000.	None	None	Residue	
*All	None	None	None	
None	All			
None	None	All		
None	None	None	All	
None	None	None	None	All

John J. Redfield
JOHN J. REDFIELD

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO TO MR. DAVIS

DATE SEPTEMBER 2, 1926

FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT RIGHTS OF COMMON LAW WIFE
IN FLORIDA

In reply to your memorandum dated August 27th, and supplementing the information asked for in your memorandum of August 19th, please note the following:

- a. As in New York, any circumstances from which a present agreement may be inferred between competent parties are sufficient in Florida to constitute a common law or non-ceremonial marriage.

Sections 3953 and 3954 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida provide for the issuance of marriage licenses and authorize certain persons to solemnize matrimony. These statutes have, however, repeatedly been held to be directory and not mandatory.

No statute of this State expressly or by fair implication renders invalid or void marriage contracts between competent parties that are consummated under the recognized rules of the common law.

Marsicano vs. Marsicano ____ Fla. ____
84 So. 156

Marriage is a contract which the parties may make for themselves in the absence of statutory prohibition, notwithstanding a statute providing for the solemnization of marriage.

Daniel vs. Sams 17 Fla. 487

Unless specifically required by statute, the failure to comply with statutory regulations concerning licensing, solemnizing, or recording marriages does not render a marriage contract void entered into by competent parties.

Caras vs. Hendrix 62 Fla. 446, 57 So. 347

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MEMO TO MR. DAVIS

DATE SEPTEMBER 2, 1926

FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT RIGHTS OF COMMON LAW WIFE
IN FLORIDA

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Common law marriages are valid in this State.

Warren vs. Warren 66 Fla. 138, 63 So. 726

As to the particular elements necessary in order to establish a common law marriage, please note the following cases:-

The two essentials of a valid "marriage at common law" are capacity and mutual consent, and it is well settled that under the common law the marriage relation may be formed by words of present assent, per verba de praesenti, and without the interposition of any person lawfully authorized to solemnize marriages or to join persons in marriage.

Marsicano vs. Marsicano _____ Fla. _____
84 So. 156

To constitute common law marriages at least two essentials must appear, mutual consent and capacity of the parties, and the agreement must be to become husband and wife immediately from the time when the mutual consent is given, which is known as words of present assent, per verba de praesenti.

Chaves vs. Chaves _____ Fla. _____
84 So. 672

If the parties agree presently to take each other for husband and wife, and from time to time live together professedly in that relation, there is a marriage binding upon the parties.

Chaves vs. Chaves _____ Fla. _____
84 So. 672

To constitute a valid marriage per verba de praesenti there must be an agreement to become husband and wife immediately from the time when the mutual consent is given. An express future condition is absolutely fatal to a claim of marriage and cannot be explained away by circumstances.

Marsicano vs. Marsicano _____ Fla. _____
84 So. 156

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO TO MR. DAVIS

DATE SEPTEMBER 2, 1926

FROM MR. REDFIELD

SUBJECT RIGHTS OF COMMON LAW WIFE
IN FLORIDA

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b (1)

A common law wife is entitled to the same rights as to dower or inheritance as is the wife of a man under a solemnized marriage.

There is no Florida statute, nor are there cases, setting forth the proposition that a common law wife has the same rights as to dower or inheritance as has a wife under a solemnized marriage, but in the absence of statutes or cases on the subject such would quite obviously seem to be the case.

(2) a.

The wife of a childless marriage in Florida is entitled to all the real property, including the homestead, and all the personal property of which her husband, if intestate, died possessed.

DESCENT OF REAL ESTATE

"Whenever any person having title to real estate of inheritance shall die intestate as to such estate, it shall descend in parcenary to the male and female kindred, in the following course, that is to say:

"If there be no children or their descendants, and the decedent be a married man and his wife survive him, all his property, real and personal, shall go to the wife." Section 3618, Revised General Statutes of Florida.

"All personal property belonging to a decedent, and all property to be distributed by an executor or administrator, shall be distributed according to the law regulating the inheritance of real estate." Section 3627, Revised General Statutes of Florida.

b.

The wife of a childless marriage in Florida is entitled to one-third the real property, the whole homestead, if any, and one-half of the personal property of which her husband, if testate, died possessed.

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DOWER IN LANDS PROVIDED FOR

"When any person shall die intestate, or shall make his last will and testament, and not therein make any express provision for his wife by giving and devising unto her such part or parcel of real and personal estate as shall be fully satisfactory to her, such widow may signify her dissent thereto in the circuit or county judge's court of the county wherein she resides at any time within one year after the probate of such will; and then in that case she will be entitled to dower in the following manner, to wit: One-third part of all the lands, tenements and hereditaments of which her husband died seized and possessed, or had before conveyed whereof she had not relinquished her right of dower as provided by law, which said third part shall be and enure to her proper use and behoof in and during the term of her natural life. In which said third part shall be comprehended the dwelling house in which her husband shall have been accustomed most generally to dwell next before his death, together with the offices, out-houses, buildings and other improvements thereunto belonging or appertaining." Section 3629, Revised General Statutes of Florida.

DESCENT OF HOMESTEADS

"Whenever a person who is the head of a family residing in this State, and having his homestead therein, shall die and leave a widow surviving him, but no children, the homestead shall descend to the widow and shall not be the subject of devise by last will and testament; ***** Section 3620, Revised General Statutes of Florida.

DOWER IN PERSONALTY PROVIDED FOR

"When a husband shall die intestate, or shall make his last will and testament and not make provisions therein for his wife, as expressed in Section 3629, she shall be entitled to a share in the personal estate in the following manner to wit: If there be no children, or if there be but one child, she shall be entitled to one-half; ***** Section 3630, Revised General Statutes of Florida.

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DATE SEPTEMBER 2, 1926

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SUBJECT RIGHTS OF COMMON LAW WIFE
IN FLORIDA

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**THE WIDOW'S ELECTION TO TAKE DOWER INSTEAD OF
THE WHOLE ESTATE**

"If a man die intestate in this State without children, being at the time of his death possessed of real and personal property, or either, the wife shall take the whole estate (as provided in Section 3618), or she may by an instrument in writing signed and acknowledged by her before any officer authorized to take the acknowledgment of deeds for record and filed and recorded in the office of the county judge, within one year after the death of her husband, elect to take dower instead of the whole estate." Section 3651, Revised General Statutes of Florida.

c and d

There is no income tax or inheritance tax imposed by the State of Florida on residents or resident decedents.

John J. Redfield
JOHN J. REDFIELD

JJR:MM

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO TO Mr. W. A. Kohlhepp

DATE September 15, 1926.

FROM Mr. H. W. Davis

SUBJECT _____

Summarizing the attached memoranda under date of August 24 and August 27, addressed to me by Mr. Redfield:

- 1 - A citizen of New York may cut off his widow by will from all share in his estate, save and except her dower right of one-third of his real estate.
- 2 - A citizen of New York is subject to income taxation by the State of New York upon a sliding scale ranging from one to two per cent. upon income below \$50,000, and at the rate of 3% upon annual income in excess of \$50,000.
- 3 - The State of New York imposes an inheritance tax upon resident decedents upon a sliding scale ranging from 1/4 of 1% to 10% of the estate in excess of \$1,000,000. Of course, any Federal inheritance tax is subject to credit in the amount of 80% of the tax paid the State of New York.
- 4 - The widow of a citizen of Florida cannot be deprived by will of her statutory dower right of one-third of the real estate, one-half of the personal estate and all of the homestead of her decedent husband.
- 5 - As you know, a citizen of Florida is not subject to income tax, nor does the State of Florida impose any inheritance tax.
- 6 - The courts of Florida and New York both apply the same rules in determining the existence of a common law marriage. Extracts from the decision of the Appellate Courts of both states are set forth in the attached memoranda from Mr. Redfield.
- 7 - Referring to Section 1 above - in the absence of a valid will cutting off the widow, she is entitled, in the case we are considering, to one-third of the real estate and all of the personal estate of the decedent husband.

HUGH W. DAVIS



HWD/EVF

INDIANAPOLIS MOTOR SPEEDWAY COMPANY

Maintaining the Greatest Race Course
in the World

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Saturday Noon

27?

Dear Margaret.

The "deal" was finally closed
Thursday afternoon -- am enclosing a
clipping which may interest you to read.
It says we still have jobs guess will
know one of these days.

Talked with Florence a few moments
ago... poor kid surely is having a lot of trouble
with her little hand... I hope she does not have
to have the adhesions broken again... she seemed to
be afraid of the gas the first time but knows now
that it causes no unpleasantness so would not dread
taking it again.

Hope you are enjoying the lonely days I hear
you have been having.

Mr. Myers asks to be remembered to
you. my best love to you

always

Dolly.

Card

Margaret

May 12, 1927.

Mr. Roy D. Chapin,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Roy:

I do hope you will have a couple days with me before you go to Europe. What is the idea of getting so busy you have not any time to spend at home in order that you can run around Europe?

Things are picking up splendidly here and we are going to have a big sale this year without much effort. Mr. Morgan came up the lake in his launch and wanted to come ashore and look the property over but our docks were not completed so that the best our man at the dock could do was to stand on the dock and talk with him in his launch. He will come back in about two weeks when we will have a temporary dock in the lake which will allow him to land, also others who are going to be coming along in the next couple months.

I am leaving tomorrow evening for Virginia Beach where I expect to be married to Miss Margaret Collier who has been with me in the office here for the past five years. I will be back Sunday afternoon and she will have to go to work again on Monday.

I do hope you will have a chance to step off because I think after you once see Montauk it will cure you of chasing around Europe looking for scenery.

Yours,

CGF:T

CARL G. FISHER

PORT WASHINGTON
LONG ISLAND

Wedding Congratulations

May 14 - 1927

Notes

C. F. Fisher, Realty Promoter, Marries Miss M. E. Collier

Miami Beach Developer Weds Second Wife at Norfolk; Couple Start on Cruise in His "Honeymoon Yacht"

Special to the Herald Tribune

NORFOLK, Va., May 14.—Carl G. Fisher, wealthy real estate dealer, who developed Miami Beach and Montauk Beach, arrived off Virginia Beach today on his yacht Shadow K., came ashore, married Miss Margaret Elanor Collier, of Miami Beach, and went back on board the yacht with his bride and sailed away. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Hugh W. Davos, of Norfolk and Miami, by the

Rev. O. D. Odell. Only a few friends witnessed the ceremony.

This is Mr. Fisher's second adventure on the sea of matrimony, his first wife having obtained a Paris divorce last July, and she was married to Robert Johnson, of New York, last September.

Mr. Fisher and Miss Collier met at Miami Beach while the promoter was busy developing that resort. That was before Mrs. Fisher No. 1 obtained a divorce. The wedding, it is claimed, was to take place in July, but was moved forward at the earnest appeal of Mr. Fisher, who wanted to take his bride on a long sea cruise.

The Shadow K has been fitted up especially for a honeymoon. A radio receiving set, in addition to the wireless plant carried, has been installed on the yacht. Two maids have been employed to attend the new Mrs. Fisher's wants and several cooks also have been engaged.

The crew is composed of "first class" men, it was stated, and the honeymoon voyage, which will probably extend into foreign waters, promises to be prolonged far into the summer. Miss Collier is said to be a talented musician and elocutionist.

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Marriage Announced

The following announcement has been received by London friends of a former Madison county girl's recent marriage: Mrs. William Rutherford Collier announces the marriage of her daughter, Margaret, to Mr. Carl Graham Fisher, Saturday, May 14, in New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Collier moved from Range township to Greenfield, several years ago. Mrs. Collier, after the death of her husband recently, lives with her daughter, Margaret, in New York City.

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*There is the way
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437- North St.
Greenfield
Ohio



Mrs. Carl Graham Fisher
Port Washington
Long Island
New York.

Granfield Ohio

Wed eve May 18-1927.

I extend my hearty congratulations. hope Mr Fishers is much better. This is certainly strange weather. one day, bright the next cold and rainy. not one bit encouraging to one who would like to snake garden and plant corn. Hazel tells me her garden is ready waiting to be planted, and that their Fruit-trees have arrived. Had a nice big letter from sister Aletta. she sent me my flower for my coat. also sent you a box about a foot square. to my add. and it is still here as I did not know where to send it to. as you talked of going to Virginia Beach, and I did not know how long you would be there, shall I send it to P.W. ? did you not get my letter I sent you most two weeks ago. you should have had it the day you wrote me. I asked you whether to let this Mr Turner paint the

outside of house. he did a real nice
job in kitchen and Bath room. is now
doing some work for Anna Cope. is
anxious to do mine before he begins
Sprouse's house. please let me know
right away. for painters and paper
hangers. are hard to get. guess I have
maybe found one who can come Tues.
when are you coming home. Mr Horn
was here and had me list my furniture
and he took it to the Bank so they could
get it fixed up. also got two papers and
I signed your name to them. as he could
not get them to you and be returned by
the 22. he sent two each to James ^{and}
Hazel. guess every thing is coming along
all right. Ann Hurd had you married
when you were called home. Mary was here
last night. she was all worked up about some
things Ann said about you. will tell you
when I see you - Bye Bye
very much love. Mom.

Saw Diego, Calif.
May 1st 1927

Dear Margaret:-

Not knowing where to send
I did not telegraph you upon my
arrival home. No doubt you have
had a letter from your mother telling
you of my trip. I was very tired
doing so much in three weeks. Think
it was quite wonderful that I saw
so many of my relatives, in fact
there were a few whom I had forgotten
belonged to our family. Was sorry
to come away leaving your mother
with that miserable cold, but we
would have been surprised had she
escaped as she had slept so little
during your father's illness. How nice
that Mrs Cole can stay night. There
are always many things to be done
during the day but the evenings
are abominably lonesome. Suppose
you and Florette (this may be a bad
spell) had a grand time shopping.
Can not say that I am very fond
of that particular business. Guess

I must have been a good deal spoiled as Mrs. Kirby was an excellent judge of goods and always seemed to find the right colors. Am very much enjoying the little black hat, it is light as a feather therefore comfortable and my friends say becoming. On my way home we were in Ogden, Utah one half hour. A young lady and I started out to see a little of the town but we had not gone far before striking a Curio Store. Bought a small piece of indian pottery which I am sending you. It is certainly not packed artistically but hope safely. Did you succeed in finding the apple green yarn? Tried while in Denver and they had every other color you could mention to show me. Have at last finished a bunch of purple flowers for your mother. She liked to wear the natural ones while here, and is grieving that she is not able to plant the seeds on account of the ground being so wet. The country far and near has had an abundance of rain and snow. The Colorado people were glad over the results of their storm which they had for four days previous to my arrival. Was very happy to have succeeded it so

could enjoy walking thru the beautiful white-stuff while the sun was shining brightly. The second day the streets were as dry as a powder horn. Can not tell you how many attempts have been made to finish this letter but enough to discourage almost any one with more sticktiveness than I. Our fire suit card has seldom been in the window so long as a whole week and I had great hopes of getting a desirable tenant today but think I am doomed to disappointment. This season of the year is too early for the summer tourists and too late for the winter, so you see it is between hay and grass. The Earls wanted me to go out with them to the ranch where their bees live and I might just as well have gone for not one soul has come to inquire for that aforesaid apartment. There is one thing to be said, the paint had plenty of time to dry as I had it all done by the 20th of March. No one left a May basket for either

Mrs. Mansfield, Buddy or myself
How did you fare? Give Anne
my love, accept a goodly portion
for yourself.

From Aunt Abtha.

848 Keweenaw
Wayton Ohio

K

Dear Margaret fish! -

Arrived home on scheduled
time & have been busy ever
since. I want to thank
you for the lovely time we
had. How does it feel to be
a newbywed by this time?

Met Dan accidentally last
evening at Miami Hotel -
said Florence had a
busted jaw. Now just
who has she been flirting

with? We get our car this
morning, so that will relieve
my dog's in the near future
(meaning my feet.) Hope to leave
for Pgh. soon. Earl is dying
to see some ball games.

The most exciting thing around
here is, one has to wash their
face twice a day. Best regards
to the big Fish & we hope all
your troubles be little ones.

Love to both
Frank

Mon. May 23 -

WINDRIFT
SEA PINES, VIRGINIA BEACH
VIRGINIA

Mrs. Margaret:

Hugh told me
the good news and I am
delighted. He also suggests
that you come down here
within the time of the great
event and I should love
to know you. I cannot
offer you much in the
way of excitement but you
might like a little peace
and quiet for a change.
I think it a splendid
idea of Hugh's that you

WINDRIFT
SEA PINES, VIRGINIA BEACH
VIRGINIA

piece of the big show
down here. I would love
it.

Think about both of
them and remember that
I really want you.

My love to Mr. John -

Devotedly,

Flora

I JUST
COULDN'T
WAIT



TO WISH YOU
A
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Geo. Ade

Sorry can't be
with you.

Answered June 14th.

no 03/1

7-1-19

Dear Margaret.

A short time ago I received the announcement of your marriage to Mr Carl Graham Fisher on the fourteenth of May.

I am sending congratulations, and most sincerely hope your lives together may be long and happy, which includes continuous health and prosperity.

Hazel mentioned your intending to visit your mother at an early date, so will send this to her address. With love from Aunt Aletta.

May thirty-first. nineteen twenty seven

Tuesday -

Dear Margaret -

Must first apologise for my tardiness in extending congratulations and Best-wishes to both you and Mr. Fisher. I have thought of you quite often, and sincerely hope you are very very happy -

I have been quite anxious and concerned about Mr. Kleuth's state of health - He had all of his teeth extracted in April, and has been under Doctor's care ever since - Doctor discovered enlarged thyroid gland, which he said means quite operation sometime this year - We are contemplating going to quite specialists either in Columbus or Cleveland Ohio - Can you tell us anything about them? we are planning on leaving here sometime in July in car. Want to stop a couple of weeks in mountains of North Carolina, and then on to New York. as Mr. Kleuth has some business there - Hope you can meet me some day in New York,

you want - to make a few suggestions
in regard - to small purchases for
house, if you won't think me too
presumptuous we will be away a
couple of months.

Have you any suggestions to make
about closing house? Do you want
drapes taken down? Took nets all
down in Spring - Keep shades drawn
all day, and drapes have not
faded at all - Will grease all
things that are apt to corrode
or rust, and put roach and ant
powder all over house, don't you
think it best - to leave rug on
the floor? Do you want us to
have man sleep in maids room?
Think we could get one who
would be very reliable - We will see
that all storm shutters are on
windows and doors before we
leave - Will get paint and
brushes - to paint kitchen chairs,
table and bath room stools, but has
not had strength to do it. Says he
will do it in Fall - Will look
fresher for winter - the later it
is done -

The lawn looks better than
it has since hurricane - We have

had two or three inches of rain the past week, and green things are flourishing. The yard has been quite a diversion for will the past two months, although he hasn't been able to do anything very strenuous. He experimented with a few of the zinnia seed you got from California, and they are beautiful blooming plants now. It is difficult to get them to mow lawn when it needs it, and wish you would write someone in office about it, for am afraid they will neglect it while we are away - would rather take care of it ourselves when we return -

Have you received last two telephone bills? If so please forward them to us, or if you have paid them, will reimburse you - We expect to take care of phone for summer -

We have had beastly hot weather for weeks, and will be glad to get away for awhile - the only cool spot here is on the roof over maids room, and

We sit up there a lot - I have had
no magnificence to speak of so far,
for which we are truly thankful -
would love to hear from you
before we leave here - with love
and Best-wishes for your happiness -

Sincerely -

Miss M. Klutt -

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
OFFICES AT
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA
MONTAUK, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK

HECKSCHER BUILDING
NEW YORK

Monday -
Dear Hessa -

Glad to have your letter. Had been wondering how everything was going. X Thanks for your good wishes. X I'm very sorry to hear of Mr Kutt's trouble. I know exactly how troublesome it is. Having had gotten myself from eight years to twenty. Dr. André Crotti of Columbus Ohio operated on me, and, of course, is my "pet" doctor. He stands very

The First National Bank

Margaret

May 17, 1927.

Mr. E. C. Romfh,
First National Bank,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Ed:

I have not heard from you for some time. A lot of water has gone over the dam since I saw you last. For instance, I have been married and I think it is going to be o.k.

I have borrowed a million and a half dollars and paid a pretty good price for it but that is going to be o.k. also. We have a lot of these bankers up here very much interested and I think they are going to be very good friends.

We are doing very nice business at Montauk and it really is going to be a wonderful place. I have a suite of rooms at the Montauk Manor reserved for myself which of course you know I am not going to use but I am keeping them for friends and when you and Marie come up I would love to have you have these rooms and certainly would like to see Lawrence and Ed riding over the property. We have a lot of people helping us at Montauk; you would be surprised how easy Montauk is as compared with Miami Beach. There are very few knockers and everybody wants to get the best there and see it go. I can furnish Ed and the rest of your family with horses and have a good time and a good ride and I really believe you would have a good time at Montauk.

The boat is at Port Washington and always ready for you and your friends if you will just give me a couple days' notice. We expect to open the hotel on June seventh or ninth; we are not certain of the date. The hotel is pretty well sold for the season.

Mr E. C. Romfh,
May 17, 1927
Page 2.

If you and Marie will make up your mind just what time you want to come north, I will send the Shadow down for you and bring you up. The last trip we had was not so good. It was quite rough and several of the crew as well as the guests were sea-sick. We just escaped a terrific blow by about six hours.

Drop me a note when you have some time.

Yours,

CGF:T

Port Washington, L. I.

MONTAUK YACHT CLUB
T. E. MYERS, *Chairman*

COLUMBIA YACHT CLUB
C. F. CHAPMAN, *Chairman*

- OF -

GOLD CUP COMMITTEE



Margaret

Port Washington, L.I.,
May 20, 1927.

Mr. Paul Kunschik,
Carl G. Fisher Company,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Kunschik:

In accordance with instructions of a Deed of Trust, you will send me One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) every month, in time that I may be able to deposit and check against this as trustee on the first day of each month, to Margaret Collier Fisher. Make check payable to me as Trustee.

This amount is to be charged to Mr. Fisher's personal account.

Very truly yours,

RHT:T

Robert H. Tyndall

The Macon Telegraph

MACON, GEORGIA

May 26, 1927.

Margaret

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Port Washington,

Long Island, New York.

Dear Carl:

Now, ain't you a hell of a fellow? Here I was in New York and rearing for excitement, and could have gone to a wedding just as well as not, and you never intimated that such a thing was in your head. And next news I know I get a nouncement that everything is signed, sealed and delivered, and that you are agin a benedict--and then, too, I don't even know the woman, and how can I tell whether to felicitate you or not?

Any way, I am going to take a chance, and say that in my opinion you have done the right thing, and assure you of my very earnest wishes for the best that life contains for both of you. Of all the despicable, crabby, worthless people on earth a lone man caps them all, and as long as a man has it in him to love somebody as a woman should be loved, there is every chance of his reaching heaven.

Am sorry I shall not be able to get to Montauk for the opening of the hotel, but shall use this visit as an excuse to get back to New York this summer and hold you to that invitation to go fishing. Tell your wife to be careful and not commit herself too far until she sees me.

Yours sincerely,

W. T. Anderson

THE MACON TELEGRAPH
AUGUST 2, 1927.

Mr W. T. Anderson,
The Macon Telegraph,
Macon, Georgia.

Dear Bill:

I have yours of the twenty-sixth. The next time you are down I will be very glad to introduce you to Mrs. Fisher. I don't like at all the way you speak in such a flippant manner regarding me or my wife. However we will make up for it by treating you very nice and we will not let on that you have tried to get fresh with us.

Had a big opening of the hotel last night; over three hundred people where we only expected one hundred fifty. Naturally, three hundred people only got the food that was prepared for a hundred fifty so that nobody left feeling stuffed up.

Hope you are down this way soon.

Yours,

OGF:T

The First National Bank

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$2,500,000.00

Miami, Fla.

OFFICE OF THE
PRESIDENT

May 26, 1927

Dear Carl:

I was delighted to get your letter of the 17th and to know how you were getting along.

I was glad to hear you had gotten married, and I sincerely hope you will be very, very happy. Marie joins me in the best of wishes to both of you.

We are leaving here Saturday for Culver to see Ed graduate, then we will probably go on to New York, and I hope to see you while there. You are very generous to offer us the suite of rooms at Montauk Manor, and I know Ed and Laurence will want to go there too. We'll get in touch with you after we get to New York.

As for the trip up by boat, I think I'll pass that up. These yachts make beautiful pictures tied up at the docks, but out in the middle of the ocean, where the photographer doesn't go, they're not so good. Think my traveling will all be done on rails.

With kindest regards and all good wishes,
I am,

Sincerely yours,



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

June 2, 1927.

Dear Ed:

I have yours of the twenty-sixth: Call me up as soon as you arrive. The trip from here to Montauk up the Sound is as smooth as you could possibly wish; nothing to shake you up. I make the trip two or three times a week and don't notice it at all. I am sure you will not mind it.

We opened up Montauk Manor last night to over three hundred guests including a large number of railroad officials, newspaper men. Necessarily, we had to divide the food from one hundred fifty people to three hundred people but everybody seemed happy.

Hope to see you and Marie when you come up, and certainly if Ed and Lawrence are with you you must bring them along.

Yours,

Mr. E. C. Romfh,
Plaza Hotel,
New York City.

CGF:T

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO. TO Mr. W. E. Thompson

DATE May 14, 1928.

FROM Mr. P. G. Haynes

SUBJECT _____

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum requesting change of name in our Stockholders list from Margaret Collier to Mrs. Fisher.

Mrs. Fisher's stock still stands in the name of Margaret Collier on our books, and of course in sending out official notices to stockholders, it is necessary that the same be addressed in the name that appears on our books. In view of this, I would suggest that Mrs. Fisher send her stock in for transfer.

We have already changed the name on our regular mailing list.

Parke G. Haynes
PARKE G. HAYNES

PGH:s

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MONTAUK, LONG ISLAND

June 28, 1928.

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
Port Washington, L. I.,
N. Y.

My dear Margaret:

The only way that you can convince a lot of people that you are married is to send in your Stock Certificate for exchange for the new \$10.00 par value. At the present moment you are carried as Margaret Collier, and I will use all my influence, if you comply with my request, to see that you are a married woman and are Mrs. Carl G. Fisher.

Of course, this organization being such a strange one to you, I can understand that you hesitate in endorsing your Stock in blank, but you have taken other chances, so why not take this one?

Our failure to secure your co-operation in sending in the Stock and you being the last one to do so, is much like one member of the family being the last one to hear anything about their family. I have been given the mission to get this Stock and with your help - I will get it.

Sincerely yours,



Robert H. Tyndall



RHT:D
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My dear Margaret:

The only way that you can convince a lot of people that you are married is to send in your Stock Certificate for exchange for the new \$10.00 par value. At the present moment you are carried as Margaret Collier, and I will use all my influence, if you comply with my request, to see that you are a married woman and are Mrs. Carl G. Fisher.

Of course, this organization being such a strange one to you, I can understand that you hesitate in endorsing your Stock in blank, but you have taken other chances, so why not take this one?

Our failure to secure your co-operation in sending in the Stock and you being the last one to do so, is much like one member of the family being the last one to hear anything about their family. I have been given the mission to get this Stock and with your help - I will get it.

Sincerely yours,



Robert H. Tyndall



RHT:D
Enc.

Mrs.

July 1, 1928.

Gen. Robt. Tyndall,
Montauk, N.Y.

Dear Bob:

I hope that you fully appreciate the importance of this letter.

First: It is my first attempt at using a "Royal" or any other kind of typewriter for many moons. Second: It brings you two important papers - the accomplishment of considerable effort on your part.

Here is the much sought Stock Certificate - all signed in correct form, I hope. Please use all your influences to have the new Certificate sent to me posthaste.

Frank Kistler handed me the enclosed check, requesting that it be given to you. It was made in blank, but I did not like the idea of sending it in the mail that way, so I have made it payable to the Montauk Beach Dev. Corp. - and if that is not right, I know you will find some way to correct it. He instructs you to either hold the papers for him, or forward to his office at Denver. I think he might prefer to have you keep them, or it.

Guess we will be down Saturday sometime. Have heard nothing from Jim direct. A letter from John says he left for Indianapolis Saturday a week ago.

Sincerely,

Description of enclosures:

Montauk Beach Development Corporation Certificate for 100 shares of Class B, Common Stock, issued Feb. 28, 1927.
Number 42.
Frank Kistler check No. 1063, \$19,612.00, Central Union Tr.
New York.

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MONTAUK, LONG ISLAND

July 13, 1928.

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
Port Washington, L. I.,
New York.

Dear Margaret:

I am in receipt of your Stock Certificate, No. 42, for 350 shares Class B, Common Stock of Montauk Beach Development Corporation.

In looking over our file of correspondence on this subject, this is, I presume, to be exchanged for an equal value in \$10.00 par value stock.

I do not know what the laws of Ohio are or what practices are customary in the banking business of that state, but it is customary in Indiana, Florida and New York, to have bonafide signature and not the signature written on a Royal typewriter.

I am foolishly fond of my liberty, and I presume that 25% of my family at least every day hope that I may be around - I can't say 100% because somebody has their nose out of joint. This is the natural probabilities of such a large family. Therefore, I am just a little fearful of forging your name to this Stock Certificate, as I promised you before I would use all of my efforts to make you a married woman, but you certainly can not expect me to go to the extent of forging your name.

I shall hold your Stock Certificate here until some time when it is convenient for you to call upon me at my office on the sixth floor, Montauk Beach Development Corporation office building, and affix your signature.

Sincerely yours,



Robert H. Tyndall
Vice-Pres. & Treas.

RHT:HD



18595
10925

76.70

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO General Robert H. Tyndall

DATE September 1, 1928.

FROM Paul Kunschik

SUBJECT Monthly allowance - Margaret
Collier Fisher

We have had an inquiry from Mrs. Fisher regarding her checks for the past five months stating that she is unable to account for all of them. Our file shows that the checks for April, May and June were received by her, that the July check has not cleared the bank and the August check was just mailed to you last week. At her request we have stopped payment on the July check and have issued the enclosed in place of it. Will you kindly transmit this check to her at the earliest possible moment?

ENCL: (1)
PK:K.



PAUL KUNSCHIK

Margaret

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Fisher

DATE December 11, 1929.

FROM General Tyndall

SUBJECT Mrs. Fisher's Account.

Mrs. Fisher has signed a note dated 12/5/25...\$15,000.00

She also owes a miscellaneous account of long standing to the Miami Beach Bay Shore Company of.....	3,529.93,
and also an open account charged against her of.....	304.08
by The Alton Beach Realty Company, totaling.....	<u>\$18,834.01</u>

Mrs. Fisher has paid \$9,000.00 on lots 3, 4 and 5 of Block 20, LaGorce Subdivision. You instructed me last year to have this \$9,000.00 credited against the \$18,834.01, which leaves a balance of \$9,834.01; and this amount you instructed me to charge to your account with the Alton Beach Realty Company, and advised that Mrs. Fisher would quit-claim back the three lots.

Robt. H. Tyndall.

RHT:E

Mr. Fisher

Margaret

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RHT:E

HOWARD W. LYON
INCORPORATED

GENERAL OFFICES & SHOWROOM
HOTEL BARCLAY
532 LEXINGTON AVENUE (AT 49TH ST.)
NEW YORK

Margaret

February 5, 1930

Mr. C.G. Fisher,
Miami Beach,
Florida.

Dear C.G.:

I am enclosing herewith several copies of letters extending over the past few months and concerning the Detroit Marine-Aero Engine Company. Be sure and read them as this is a classical example of how a business should not be run. Should you have any different thoughts on the matter, I would very much like to hear from you. It is quite apparent that something ought to be done or about the next thing that will happen will be an assessment.

I expect to be down at the Beach about the 10th of March and am figuring on your Company's having some good prospects worked up on \$15,000. or \$20,000. worth of choice canal front property, thereby enabling me to eat until the boating season starts again.

With best regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

Howard

HWL:S

HOWARD W. LYON, INCORPORATED

Margaret

July 2, 1930.

Mr. William H. Galloway,
1251 Edgemont Avenue,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Galloway:

Dr. Edwards told Mrs. Fisher that she must stay in bed for some little time and Mrs. Fisher thinks you had better return here and plan to go back later on. She wants you to stay at your home over the Fourth but she thinks it is better for you to come on because she cannot get around the house to do anything.

She says that you could either drive back or come on the train, as you prefer.

Very truly yours,

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Please wire on receipt of this.

SCOTT R. EDWARDS
36 WEST 69TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Margaret

July 9th 1930

Mr. C. G. Fisher,
Montauk Point, L. I.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

There is absolutely no question about the cause of Margaret's trouble. I will try to explain it as clearly as possible. The adrenalin gland, of which there are two, one immediately above each kidney, is one of the glands of internal secretion. It has to do with maintaining the general tone and defense of the body.

From a long continued overstrain for any reason a very definite chain of symptoms result. As in Margaret's condition there is a loss of tone and ability to expand and contract on the part of the blood vessels of the body. Associated with this is a marked lack of the emotional part of the body to accept the ordinary stresses of life without too great effect. In other words things make far greater impression than they should.

There are periods of extreme depression and fear in its broadest sense becomes very much in evidence. In fact, any situation which gives rise to any extraordinary apprehension is very likely to precipitate an acute attack such as Margaret has had. She is in this condition as a result of long continued wear and tear upon the adrenalin mechanism.

To begin with, her trouble with the thyroid gland early in life was a very great

SCOTT R. EDWARDS
36 WEST 59TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Mr. C. G. Fisher

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shock to the adrenalin gland and is no doubt responsible for its being particularly susceptible in this period of her life.

Just as with any other exhaustion, the treatment of primary importance in this condition is one hundred percent rest---mental as well as physical. Very frequently these cases are of necessity confined to an isolated bed-rest for a period as long as six months. However, in Margaret's case I am quite sure that six weeks will see her fairly well stabilized. Fortunately, in the last six months there has become available adrenalin as extracted from the adrenalin gland of the beef. It is because of her taking this substance adrenalin in the amount that she is deficient that accounts for her immediate and unquestionable gain in the past week and with the increased amount she is now taking she will to all intent and purpose probably seem and feel normal by the end of this second week.

By supplying this substance and making no demands on her own internal secretion, the comeback can be much lessened in regard to the time element, but the point I wish to make is that I do not want you and her to gain a false assurance of her cure, because of the effect obtained from giving her the adrenalin. Just as sure as we discontinue giving it and allow her to take up her ordinary environmental activities short of the rest she must have, so surely will she have recurring trouble of this character and with each successive recurrence

her subsequent return to normal becomes less assured.

I am mailing under separate cover the medicines about which I spoke to you.

To give her the most advantageous conditions possible, the dosage of the adrenalin should be checked from time to time, possibly in weekly intervals, with the idea of decreasing or increasing the dose as is necessitated by her own internal secretions.

Yours very truly,

Scott R. Edwards

Scott R. Edwards.

SRE/FR

Margaret

July 26, 1930

Mr. G. LeBoutillier,
Montauk Manor.

My dear LeBoutillier:

Mrs. Fisher is not at all well and I am leaving either late tonight or the first thing in the morning for Port Washington where I have had Mrs. Fisher under observation of a New York doctor for the past two weeks.

I know you will excuse me from the dinner, and I also know the dinner is going to be a great success.

Yours,

CGFIT

July 31, 1930.

Margaret

Mr. Jess G. Andrew,
West Point, Indiana.

Dear Jess:

I hope you and Betty are going to get down this way soon.

We have got to talk over the management of the King Cole this coming season. Last year didnt work out satisfactorily and I think we can do a lot better this coming season.

Kunschik writes me a lot about a man named Kelly who has had considerable experience. I have not had a chance to talk with Abel because he has been busy and I thought I would not talk with him until you are here and we can both get a crack at him.

As you probably know, Margaret has been in bed three weeks suffering from this same old goiter trouble. It is getting to be much more serious and I have been quite worried.

Yours,

GGF:T

July 31, 1930.

Mr. G. LeBoutillier,
267 Pennsylvania Station,
New York City.

My dear LeBout:

I am glad to hear your party had a good time. I think these parties are a good thing for the property and it may help you some to entertain some of your friends.

I hope you will not consider this as the only party you are going to give here; and don't forget that the "H" is always available for a small fishing crowd with any of your friends. Some times we can get Captain Thompson, but even without him there are so many fish about that it is not difficult to get fish with the outfit we have on the "H". I hope you will come out soon again.

I am having quite a lot of trouble with Mrs. Fisher and it may be necessary to take her to Cleveland for an operation for goiter. We are trying, however, to avoid this.

Yours,

GGF:T

August 6, 1930.

Mr. V. H. Ehrhart,
Jamestown Paint & Varnish Co.,
Jamestown, Pennsylvania.

Dear UncleVic!

The Eisers are on their way up and arrive day after tomorrow. Ed Roach came out one afternoon and staid over until the next day and at the same time I passed him going in to Port Washington after Margaret.

Margaret

I sent Margaret to Port Washington for a week's rest. She continues to have trouble and has not been out of bed now for three weeks. However, she seems cheerful and has a lot of spunk and I am in hopes she is going to come through o.k.

I will be glad to see you any time you can come.

Yours,

CGF:T

Margaret

August 6, 1930

Mr. Stuart Gaynes,
598 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Stuart:

I had hoped to see you some time this last week. Margaret is still flat on her back but we have hopes she is better in some regards and will pull through.

I have not been very well myself the last four or five days and have been taking it easy.

Things are moving up a little bit here and I would not be surprised but we will sell some property a little later in the season --- neither would I be greatly surprised if we don't sell a thing because things generally, as you know, are dead. But all things considered, Montauk is the brightest spot this year than it was last year.

Yours,

GGF:T

August 6, 1930.

Dear General Tyndall:

I am sure sorry for you during this hot spell. It is actually hot at Montauk, so you know it must be everywhere else.

Mr. Fisher came to the office twice last week and again today and everything is up to date. He asked today when you would return but made no further comment. I am sure we will all be glad to see you, for your own sake as well as ours.

Magack

I think Mrs. Fisher continues about the same. I have not seen her but Dr. Edwards keeps on the job and the reports are rather encouraging. The Kisers arrive Friday and Mr. Fisher talks about meeting Humpage in Port Washington Friday night. Treiber is having a good time and I hear nothing about his quitting here at present. Uncle Vic wrote that he was ready to come any time and Mr. Fisher told him to come any time, so he will likely be along next week.

We have paid Humpage \$20,000., \$15,000. of this from Miami Beach and the \$5,000 from GGF Pers. I am having to draw from MB for GGF Pers.

Maurice Long is here today with his fishing party. LeBoutillier brings a party of six Trenton business men Saturday.

I suppose you had rather forget about affairs here for these two weeks, but I will let you know if anything specially interesting occurs.

Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

TREIBER DIESEL ENGINE CORPORATION

CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY

Aug. 7, 1930

Personal

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Montauk,
Long Island

My dear Carl:-

I was quite disappointed that you found it impossible to come here yesterday. I wanted you to look over the shop and see what we were doing and discuss conditions generally with you. If there is anything here which didn't just suit you we would have liked to have had you say so and offer suggestions. I know that you would have found an improvement over the conditions which prevailed when you were last here but I realize that hot weather isn't the best kind of weather for you to travel in, particularly up in this part of the country where it is d-- hot. Conditions here are apt to irritate your hay fever. I don't believe that I have ever lived in any section where the atmospheric conditions are any worse than they are here. Not only has it been continuously hot but the humidity has been terrible.

Knowing how you feel I very much dislike the necessity of writing you letters, the major portion of which refer to troubles. I certainly will welcome the day when I can send you more cheerful news. On the other hand, I know that you want to know what is going on. As you once said, "you don't want to get the information second-handed" and you don't want to be fooled into believing that things are better than they are. Every time I do write you it seems as if I were in the same position as the mother, who, after chastising her child, stated that it hurt her more than it did him. I presume you found that as difficult to believe as the youngster did but I do want you to know and I think you do believe that I am doing everything that I possibly can to safeguard and protect your interests. I would like to see this thing pull through. While neither you nor I are in any way responsible for the conditions which prevail, if we can bring order out of chaos, it will be one more accomplishment added to what you have already achieved and I will have had the satisfaction of having been of some help.

I have written you, at times, inquiring as to Margaret's condition but I haven't heard as to whether she is improving or not. I wish that you would let me know and I certainly do hope that the worst is over and that she is, at least, gradually improving. Please tell her that I have inquired about her and also please tell her that at last Mrs. Humpage is showing signs of improvement. Up to a week ago Sunday there was no improvement. If anything, she was getting weaker but the turning point came at that time when I went home so I go to Springfield every week-end now. Last week I didn't get home until 9.30 P.M. Saturday night and I left for Camden at 8.00 O'clock Sunday night but even that short stay seemed to help.

I sincerely trust that the weather there is cooler than what it is here and that Margaret and you are both feeling much better. With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

F. R. Humpage

F. R. Humpage

Montauk - Tues. July 5th.

Have been practically standing on my head - for the past two weeks, thought of writing ... and know you have been expecting to hear from me.... but, it just has not been possible. There has been a tremendous amount of work to do on both these houses - and have not even had a chance for the cottage, garage and tool house here, up to this time - First, with Garrett not able to do things for me that he has done before - however, he has not had many idle moments; then, the weather was rotten for housecleaning and repairing jobs; then, my colored help got a bit obstreperous and, that took a "bit out of me" getting them in line; then, everything you need to buy for supplies has to either come from the Hamptons or be ordered from New York..... so-o-o-o-o, if you don't believe it all takes some time..... just follow me around some week.!!!

Anyway, my lease contract on the DeForrest House (you finally have it right, at the top of the Hill - where the Berlins leased) called for having it in order to turn over to them on July 1st. They came out on the 26th of June, to "look the place over" and say just what would be wanted. The family name is, Christopher Smithers. They have a home at Locust Valley, here on the Island.... an elderly couple with married children and grandchildren (don't know yet about the household pets, such as dogs cats and canaries) they have seven servants - and that means that they have to lease one room for their chauffeur down in the village. Mrs. Smithers and her daughter, with chauffeur, came out and I went thru the place with them..... well, they are exceptionally fine people, so far as first introduction goes, and quite reasonable - but, might be of more or less inclined to criticism if things were not up in A*L shape - Mrs. Smithers reminds me a great deal of Kitty Talbott - makes decisions very fast and much to the point; so, I am trying to be just "one jump" ahead in having the place SO THAT THERE WILL NOT BE ANY CHANCE FOR CRITICISM - and, when I finish a place, I think you know, it is passably good looking. The servants were supposed to arrive this morning - I am still looking the freight and express trains over for some orders, but this afternoon Sam Paxton (who made the lease) came up and said there were not coming for a few days - and when they do, will give 24 hours notice, so..... in the meantime, promptly on the 1st of July, they sent me their check in full payment of their summer lease - which I have not even had a chance to put in the bank. That's that for the DeForrest House until I start closing it up the second week of September!

Now, as for this place (Sangar) have, as you know, listed it for lease with brokers-- the real estate market is very slow in leases of this type -- outside of the family who had the DeForrest House house last season I have no prospects - I am suspecting if they would be interested at all, it would be only for four or five weeks lease, as last year (he is in Wall St.) --- then, last Sunday, Paxton brought Cole Porter - who had understood my house was directly on the Beach - he, (Porter) has both legs broken and wants a place for sun bathing to recuperate understand, he has taken one of Gurney's cottages. So, that's that.... in the way of leases for this place. Anyway, I have not felt that I could have it ready for a lease, or that I should lease it, considering, if you come - which I think you should do if you feel able, that you would be far more comfortable here than any other place that I know of... at least, I will make every effort that I can to make it livable for you. There are several things to be done yet before you could move in -- in your room, window sash cords to be repaired, elec.

pulls to be replaced and lots of odds and ends throughout the house that will keep me busy for another week. If I cannot finish the cottage, garage and tool house - it will have to go until I come back from Ohio and at a time that I am closing the houses. Most of it is an accumulation of stuff - too good to discard, but has to be gone thru and find the proper place to store.

As soon as you come and are comfortably settled, then, I want very much to go out to Ohio and visit with the family for a little while - and while there, go over my own property and also Mother's property - and take time to close out my Father's estate, of which I am Executrix. This has been running on now since 1927 and I am advised that most of it can be cleared up, if I can get up to the Court House and see the lawyers. This all takes up some little time and I would like to be back here the last week of August. My brother and sister-in-law want to come out sometime this Fall (they have never visited me) and I would like to have them for a week or ten days. However, this would be at a time when I am closing the houses and when, I am presuming, that you would not care to be here because of the weather getting a bit chilly and the general move of everybody leaving. If, you care to stay later, all you need to do is say so and the house will be free and clear for you to do whatever you like and entertain whomever you like. I do not expect to invite any of my relatives to visit me or be near the place when you are here, as I understand that is what you would like. However, if you are sick or need me, I'll be here as quickly as I can.

Have checked over the doctors located nearby and Charlie Bonner tells me there is a "1938 model" settled at East Hampton - who has a reputation as a good surgeon and medical doctor and has put the East Hampton Hospital back in good running repute. I would have a great deal of confidence in what he (Bonner) says, because he comes from a family of doctors - Dr. Newman, of Port Washington, is an in-law and Dr. Story is an uncle or some one in the family. Then, there is another very good one at Bridgehampton, but that is some little distance off. I presume the Manor will have someone but I have not had a chance to find out who it is, you likely know more about it than I do.

About a car; your old Essex is down in this garage. I am wishing you could or would let me do something about it so that I could use the space. I had the experience of trying to make it run a couple of years ago - and, you may recall, ended up by having to "push it home" "carry it home" or "walk" most of the time - occasionally I did get to where I expected to go and back in due time. I would like to have some kind of a truck or old station wagon up here for rough usage and if you would allow me to try to make some kind of a trade in, I would be in much better shape to get about. We can talk it over when you come up.

Have not had a chance to talk about what is going on generally in business, but down at the village the Drug Store had the "biggest day in their history" on Saturday and that seemed to be the answer from all the trades people - understand the Manor was filled and everything in the Fishing Village "lodges" and even to private rooms everywhere but, it seemed to be a Broadway crowd. I did not see them, I worked ALL DAY but that was the story as I heard it.

Did not finish about the car situation, so far as you are concerned for the summer; You can lease one "that runs" for as little as thirty dollars a month - if you take it for two or three months time - better ones cost a bit more, and the shorter time of rental takes the price up some.

I have this information from Mr. Halsey, at East Hampton - there are other rental places but I had not had a chance to talk with them. Of course, you must have someone to drive you and I'm sure we can work that out some way.

Well, it is now midnight and I'm tired - just went out of the room and found a mouse cogitating on the doorstep... .. so, o. o. o.,...!!! I have plenty of traps set for them - and plenty of "nice looking food" but still they come. You see, if I had Mitzi and my kitties here - they would not be sitting around grinning at me. and, rabbits, they are almost eating up the place -- I don't mind them, except, they do destroy plants.

Will be expecting to hear from you by return mail --- hope you are feeling good. If you want me to help you get up, that is, by coming down there, let me know. I do not believe it would be necessary, but I do not know how you are feeling now, physically. The weather here is somewhat settled - several beautiful days which I know you would like, so try to make your plans to come soon.

Love,

Talked with "Johnny Fisher" a day or so ago - he has a job with the company as private patrolman, as you probably know. He was asking about you.

Did you know that "Pop" Myers wife died a few days after the Races? I have not even written him yet. Also that he was rather sick with arthritis or neuritis, as they finally diagnosed it, for the month preceding the races - I had a letter from Dolly.

Joe Copps got married at Indianapolis?

Bill Nelson " " " "

Tootle - ooooooo

I'm going to bed.....

written starkly
after Pop Mezes
of Speeding died

ALTHOUGH some of the facilities of the beautiful Indian Creek club in northern Miami Beach have been available to members since December 19, the formal opening has been set for January 11. After that date, the island will be humming with varied activities.

The club house, nine holes of the golf course and the turf tennis courts have been opened since mid-December. The second nine holes of the golf course will be available within a short time. This year the club house located on a hill, the highest point in Dade county, is fully completed.

Daily tea dances will be in vogue following the formal opening of the club while supper dances are arranged for five nights each week. Numerous special teas, dinner and supper parties will also be enjoyed by members and their friends.

Mr. E. M. Gould is president of the club and Mr. Newell Vaughan, secretary.

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Robert Barnett, professional at the Chevy Chase club in Washington, is the resident golf professional at the Indian Creek club. The Indian Creek course when completely opened will be one of the most interesting in the section.

Its yardage will call for a par of 72 and it will be an excellent test of golf all the way. Those who have played it are enthusiastic

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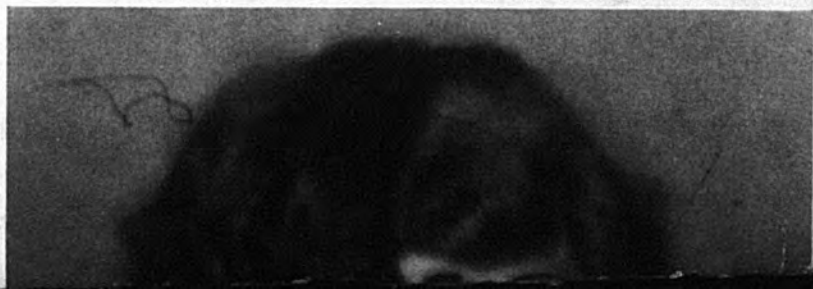


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Simplicity
of our
Spectator
Fashions



Mrs. Carl Graham Fisher, charming wife of the man who made Miami Beach's dreams come true, divides her time between the Fisher bay front estate in Miami Beach and their Long Island summer home.

FRANK NORRIS



August 16, 1930.

Hon. Fred A. Britten,
Hotel Royal Monceau,
Avenue Hoche,
Paris, France.

My dear Fred:

I do appreciate your letters of the 7th and 8th and I am only sorry you don't give us a little more of your time.

I am going to lay your letter to one side and answer it more fully on Monday.

The hotel is full up and running over and Charlie Thompson just caught an enormous fish which is unclassified as yet, weighing about 10,000 to 12,000 pounds. Right now we are busy getting all the publicity for Montauk.

It is not very far from here to Washington. Why can't you and Alma run up again and spend a few days with us. I realize you are in Europe but you will get this letter some place, and when you come back you must have a few days you can spend with us.

Margaret sends her best regards. She is very brave and making a very strong fight to evade an operation for goiter. We have moved a good doctor right on the property and he is on the job.

I hope you will have a good time, and tell Alma not to bring any European fleas back in her garters.

Yours,

CAF:T

1930

Margaret



The St. Regis
New York

Monday -

Dear -

Will get something
for Jimmie Jr when it
is time - you see the
wedding date has not yet
been announced. Did
you send anything to
Gilbert La Force, or do you
want me to? Suppose

you heard Stuart Gaynes
Jr. is married to a Smith
(typewriter) - confidentially,
I understand the Smith's
were not pleased and
going to have it annulled.

Scandal sheet just come
I'll see if I can find
any "dirt" to tell you
about. Then to breakfast.

So glad you had a
nice fishing trip -

if they are any fun, why
don't you go after...?
Is Bob down yet?

Love -

Margaret

Did Ray Alexander come to
the office?

LEANDER A. NEWMAN, M. D.
PORT WASHINGTON
LONG ISLAND

My dear Mr. Fisher

I saw Mrs Fisher
here in Port Washington
a few days ago. She
was still pretty nervous
but I think a shade
improved. She seems
quite unstable and easily
upset. I advised her
to continue her quiet
life between here & New York
She assures me that in
New York she rests almost
all day & sleeps well
she is intending to spend

LEANDER A. NEWMAN, M. D.
PORT WASHINGTON
LONG ISLAND

few days in Montauk which
should be O.K.

now the idea of this
letter is to convince what
I told you in our
interview namely that I
think for both your sakes
& the future you should
allow her to stay up here
alone until she recovers
her equilibrium again. She
will do that more quickly
without the husbandly associ^{ation}

In a couple of months
she should be in fine
shape again

Sincerely

L. A. Newman

CARL G. FISHER
MONTAUK, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

September 25, 1930.

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
St. Regis Hotel,
New York City.

Dear Margaret:

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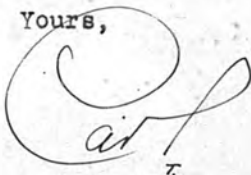
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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Carl G. Fisher', enclosed within a large, loopy circular flourish.

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CGF:T

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St. Regis Hotel
New York City.

My dear:

I am figuring now on leaving for the south in the "K" about the 15th of October. I cannot possibly consider that the plans of Dr. Edwards should induce and change my business arrangements. I have, as you know, a big job on my hands and the fact that he has dragged you into the City nags and annoys me continuously. You certainly cannot do better in the City than you can do at Port Washington or here.

Earl has been a peach but he has troubles of his own, and I imagine Frankie has also. I am trying now to make arrangements with a Mr. Phillips who has been recommended to me by Dr. Chambers, who is a John Hopkins man and thoroughly the equal of Scott Edwards or any other physician.

I do know from my experience that Scott Edwards will never let you get well as long as he can get a nickle out of you. I am consulting my lawyer and notifying Scott Edwards that I will not be responsible for any physicians debts, also I am consulting with my lawyer on what we can do to avoid a scandall and get you out of his hands. In most things you are unusually bright but in this particular case you seem to be very very dumb. The tactics we find used by Edwards are almost illegal. He has lied to you repeatedly and to me.

I expect to go in Monday with Earl and see you. If you wish to return with me to Port Washington, you may do so. Otherwise, I will be forced, as much as I regret it, to go ahead with what I think is my duty to protect you, although it may drag me into more or less scandal. I am satisfied that as soon as Scott Edwards finds you will not pay him five hundred dollars a week, you will also learn you have no doctor, then you will be compelled to get another doctor.

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
September 27, 1930,
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You have no idea how much thought and worry I have had over this subject; in fact, so much that I am very anxious now to leave for the South after Monday and forget the entire disagreeable situation as much as I can; except that I don't want you to feel I am running away from you, but I do put it up to you fairly -- if you are so bull headed to imagine that Dr. Edwards is the only doctor who can do you any good, then I am satisfied I have done everything in the world I can for you and you can stay with Dr. Edwards.

I have talked this matter over with Bob and with Earl and they agree with me. I am not going off half cooked on the subject. Probably at least one hundred hours of thought have been given this subject. So it is entirely up to you.

I will have the "R" at the Fifty-second Street dock for you and Frankie to come to Port Washington. I will also have two special doctors from Johns Hopkins if you want them. Otherwise, I am finished and leaving for the South and shutting up the house here just as quickly as it can be done.

My love to you, dear, and you must immediately make a decision that will influence both you and myself for the rest of our lives.

Yours,

CGF:T

October 22, 1930

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher
Hotel St. Regis,
New York City

My dear Margaret:

We got back from the fishing trip in great shape. It was really very smooth and lovely. I pulled a couple of very fast ones on Jack and Ed Romfh - in fact, Jack left here blushing to his ears. He will probably tell you all about it. He and Esther are coming down in about ten days to stay some time. Jack has not been very well.

Your tom cats are causing a lot of trouble, also the poll parrot. I have tied a little bell on his tail, and he shakes his tail and hauls for Galloway at the same time. Will phone you tonight if our phone is working.

The grounds look beautiful. I am building a sixty-five foot tower on the edge of the house next to the old organ room with a small elevator so you can go up and sit on top of the tower and look over the sea to Bimini. It is a small job and will have it finished in ten days.

I found my old high wheel here when I arrived and I am going to take it out the first of the week and ride it. Many people here never have seen a high bicycle and I expect I will have a lot of fun. Think I will be able to play tennis tomorrow.

Best regards, dear, and will try and telephone tonight.

Yours,

CGF:A

CARL G. FISHER
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

November 3, 1930

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
Hotel St. Regis,
New York City

My dear Margaret:

We have had a splendid rain and the property looks fresh and nice, and a good many people are commencing to come in. We are having the usual amount of trouble in making collections as a result of the bank failures and stock market troubles, but some way or other, we are dragging along.

Life is not very exciting here, as we play bridge almost every evening and nothing much else to do. Almost everybody around the place is on the water wagon. You will be surprised when I tell you that all the guests in the house put together since we arrived, have not used a quart of Scotch. We got a good case of tropical beer which seems to fill the bill.

I am going out tomorrow to see "Blue Fox". Jim Bright tells me that he is the sweetest horse he has ever ever seen, and I am sure you will like him when you get a chance to ride him here. Had Dan for a short ride yesterday as I told you last night. I am going to play bridge with him after dinner.

I wish you would tell me what arrangements, if any, you have made with with Scott Edwards regarding your bills. I think you should have some understanding, and if you will let me know, I will be prepared to take care of them.

Love.

Yours,

Carl
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CGF:A

P.S.

Will call you tonight from Dan's about 8:30.

MEMORANDUM

FROM MR. FISHER

DATE November 3, 1930

TO Parke G. Haynes

SUBJECT

My dear Parke:

I have just wired you as follows regarding Port Washington.

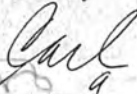
"SEE NO REASON WHY YOU SHOULD NOT USE THE OFFICE BUILDING AT PORT WASHINGTON THIS WINTER IF YOU PAY HEAT AND LIGHT BILL NO RENT"

I think that this is a very sensible move for the reason that I don't think that anybody can live in New York and keep good sense. Port Washington is one of the loveliest spots in the world to live in, and commute to New York if it is necessary to do so.

I told Gayness to get with you on the property and both you work up a plan to sell some property by the end of this winter, or at least open the way to sell in early spring. We must not carry this property over another year if it is at all possible to dispose of it.

Your heat and light bill at Port Washington won't be as much as rent and the surroundings are so much more agreeable, and hope you will enjoy the place. Don't forget, however, that Margaret may want to come out and stay over a few days at Port Washington. I am keeping the place open there for her in case she finds she wishes to get out of New York and rest awhile, away from the doctor's care.

Yours,



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THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mrs. Margaret C. Fisher

DATE November 10, 1930

FROM Paul Kunschik

SUBJECT _____

At the request of Mr. Fisher we hand you herewith check for \$1,000.00.

We hope that you are improving rapidly and will soon be with us in this wonderful climate.

Kindest regards.

PK:MKH

Paul Kunschik
PAUL KUNSCHIK

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November 11, 1930

Mr. W. T. Anderson,
The Macon Telegraph
Macon, Georgia

Margaret

Dear Bill:

I have yours of the 3rd.

The men you sent pictures of are certainly gangsters, who are not coming down here for a row as you say. They look like gangsters and I notice that they have already been tagged.

I am sorry to hear of Mrs. Anderson's trouble. I have been in about the same boat myself. Margaret has practically been flat on her back since June. She is now in New York at the St. Regis, where it is necessary that she stay to take treatments. I expect she will be down this way in a couple or three weeks.

You know that I will be glad to see you at any time. I am trying to live a peaceful life. Went to bed last night, for instance, at 7 o'clock.

Yours,

CCF:A

CARL G. FISHER
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

November 11, 1930

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
Hotel St. Regis,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Margaret:

I don't know just what you would like to read, but I will try and pick out a couple of good books and send them on to you.

I have already sent you a dozen different kinds of marmalade from the Peterson ranch which is one of the greatest places I have ever seen in Florida, and when you come down, you must go over there with me. They have some 6,000 varieties of everything that you can think of, trees from China, India, Asia, in fact, almost every part of the world is represented. Also some beautiful flowers.

I am not feeling very well this morning and staying in and dictating in my room. I had them send you a check yesterday for \$1,000. We have been playing some bridge with Earl and Frankie. I turned the "H" over to Uncle Vic to use and will probably take some of his stock in trade for same, as I wont need this boat for a long time. The "M" is on the road and should get in today, except the wind is blowing hard and it is rough outside.

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CGF:A

November 12, 1930

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
Hotel St. Regis,
New York City

My dear Margaret:

I am sending you one of the latest
copies of "True Detective" and "Master Detective"
magazines. I don't think you have read them.
There are some mighty good articles.

Yours,

CGF:A

CARL G. FISHER
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

November 15, 1930

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
New York City

My dear Margaret:

I have the dice and they are beauties. Most of the time they roll a mate.

Bob will be up the early part of the week and bring with him a mortgage which you will have to sign on the house. We have a good many bills and it is very difficult to get cash, and I have delayed as much as I can this move.

I hope you are very much improved and will try and call you later this evening. I am very anxious to see you down here.

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MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

November 19, 1930

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher,
Hotel St. Regis,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Margaret:

I am dropping you these few lines from the office, where I have been in daily attendance.

The theme of most of our conversation has been about you and we are lonesome without you. While I understand from the reports that we are getting, that you are gradually getting in good shape, the weather here is so ideal and conducive to building up people that are not quite fit, that I feel sure the sooner you get here, it will add to your health and comfort, so the best message we could have would be that you have decided to come.

Loads of love from all.

Sincerely,

Bulle Carl ^{*Uncle Vic*}

P.S. Dear Margaret:

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November 23, 1933

Mrs. Carl G. Fisher

Dear Margaret:

There is a trunk here that has some SHADOW K. literature inside, and we want it quick! Send the keys by first mail. Have one prospect on the K. Don't know how good it is, also think I have a prospect in Cuba.

At least I am going down with the K. to see if I can dig up a prospect in Cuba, and have written to Jack and Ethel and asked them when they were going to get down, as I would like to take Jack along. Don't know whether you care to go or not this time.

Of course I would expect to make the trip in nice weather, and in the day time. I figure on staying over there perhaps two or three days, long enough to take a trip down and see the new road south of Cuba, into the mountains, providing by that time all warfare is eliminated.

We had a theatre party last night with Ruth and Steve, Joe Copps, Earl and Frankie.

The weather is beautiful here, and I believe a good many people are coming in.

CGF-HM

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO. To Mr. Carl G. Fisher

DATE November 24, 1930.

FROM Robert H. Tyndall

SUBJECT _____

Dear Carl:

I arrived here this morning to find that on account of the air mail failing, the letter I sent last Wednesday arrived this morning. Consequently I did not learn that Mr. Keys had gone to Sapeloe Island last Friday.

However, I just talked to Howard Coffin who missed Keys in the same manner and he is up here and finds Keys down there, and Coffin will leave this evening for Sapeloe.

I will go ahead working on the Waterside loan and complete it after it is all agreed upon. Then I have an engagement with Irv Collins tomorrow and will talk over the things we mentioned with him, and will go to Indianapolis to talk to the Fletcher American and double back here to meet Mr. Keys next Monday morning.

Since I am up here, I might as well stick around until we get things all settled up. I also want to get more information on the Sands Point condition.

I just had a couple of hours visit with Margaret, and find that she is much improved and was in very good spirits today. She hopes to leave tomorrow for her mother's home, and intimated that she wanted to be down at the Beach by the 15th. When I left her she was expecting the Dan Mahoneys at her place.

I have tried to get Hugh Davis but find that he is gone for a few days or over Thanksgiving to Virginia Beach, so it looks as though I picked out a bad time to come up.

The weather is fine up here but the offices are so hot I can't breathe.

Yours,

(Handwritten signature)

JOHN OLIVER LA GORCE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Margaret

November 25, 1930.

Dear Skipper:

Ethel and I had a real pleasure yesterday in having lunch with Margaret and being with her for a couple of hours. I think she is in considerably better shape as far as her appearance goes but is still somewhat nervous and with not much reserve strength, yet while we were with her she was quite cheerful in her sweet, quiet way. Later in the afternoon I saw her again with Dan and Florence about which they will tell you before you get this note. She was preparing to go to Ohio tonight but I am afraid it will be pretty chilly out there.

While I don't know anything technically medical about such things I do feel that this winter is going to be a very severe test and I hope that you will carry out your expressed decision to lay off having open house where people relay on you both from early morning until late at night. You just get up and mooch off somewhere and poor Margaret has to hold the bag of entertainment and be nice to these people from every point of the compass although she has no interest in them. I think more than any medicine or the advice of doctors in clearing up her condition is whether or not you, yourself, keep in good physical shape, for while she has never, and would never say anything to me about it, I know very well that she has worried and fretted about you more than anything else in the world, so if you really want to put her on her feet permanently just bear this in mind.

On Saturday last I had lunch with Bernard and Arthur Brisbane and we spoke of you. I took it on myself to tell him how often you had talked about him and his interest and help in Montauk as expressed in his daily column. After a while Bernard asked him what he was going to do this winter and he said he thought he would go down to Palm Beach and see if he couldn't find an inexpensive, medium-sized house in some out of the way corner of Palm Beach where he and two or three members of his family could run down for a few weeks at a time and rest and where he would not be so easy of access that he would be run to death socially. After he talked about that a few minutes I asked him if he hadn't considered Miami Beach rather than Palm Beach and said that I thought you would be mighty happy to have him down there and could no doubt help him locate just the kind of a little place that he wanted.

He said that he didn't want any show place and everything was so expensive at Miami Beach that he didn't think he could find what he wanted for he didn't want to spend more than \$15,000 for a place. I told him about my recent visit down there with you; how lovely the Beach was, and that it was so infinitely larger than Palm Beach that I felt sure he could be comfortable in a little layout where he would have privacy and where people couldn't be chasing him all the time, and he finally said that when he went down to Palm Beach he would try to run down and see you and Miami Beach at the same time.

I just lay this matter before you for whatever you decide, but you and I both know that he could be of great intangible value by being located down here for he would be writing things about it frequently. Anyhow I present the facts to you as they happened and you can use your own good judgment. From his talk during the hour and a half we were together he is taking pretty seriously the general conditions in this country and is cutting down on his own outlays, although why, God knows, for he must have plenty of money, but I will say that the old hat he was wearing would make yours look like an English importation and even Bernard said to him for God's sake to let him send a new one over as he thought he might be arrested by the Board of Health.

Brisbane is just crazy about Bernard Gimbel and talks to him like he was his own son, asking his advice about many things and I heard him make two luncheon engagements with Bernard for this coming week. Yesterday Bernard gave a luncheon for Brisbane and Hearst at the Cloud Club to which he invited Dan Mahoney who will tell you all about it.

We had an awful lot of fun on Sunday with Dan and Florence, Gene and Polly Tunney, George and Rose Van Namee, Ethel and myself, finally going over to Gene's little home near Greenwich for supper and I might as well tell you now that I didn't earn any gold stars that day. Then Florence, Dan, Ethel and I came to New York together, they got on the train and came down to Washington, spent a few hours in our home and caught the Havana Special for Miami. Your old ears must have burned for we talked about you lots and wished you were with us.

Dan confessed to me that you and he had sent me that beautiful basket of 25 American Beauties which was delivered to me at the banquet, the card reading "From your Miami friends". It was darn sweet of you and I am very much touched by the thought.

I am hoping against hope that that Goldberg cartoon got under your skin for you only wrote three lines about it but I thought it was a knockout. I have also to thank you for the copy of the story of "Captain Dreyfus" which I thoroughly enjoyed.

I have been very busy arranging the endless details of a French expedition which I think I told you is going from Beirut, Syria, straight across Asia for 8,000 miles by automobile through Russian Turkestan, Persia, Tibet, India, and China to be gone about 18 months and we are sending one of our staff men with it and will also be in constant touch with the expedition by short wave radio. I hope to get this all in shape within the next couple of weeks and then I am going to make a return visit to you down there and expect to spend most of my time at the top of the Bluebeard Tower that I am told is now 73 feet up in the air. I also understand that Father Duffy is very much worried because he hears that you are going to put on a fez and your Shrine patrol costume, go to the top of the Tower twice a day and call all good Mohammedans to prayer through a megaphone. That will be another good subject for a cartoon by Mr. Goldberg if you don't lay off of me about bonefishing.

Jan and Florence are certainly a couple of sweethearts and we had
really good time together in New York and on the way down to Washington.

Give old Earl and Frankie my best and remember that if you are going
to claim gold stars you have got to get somebody to testify and I don't mean
Galloway because he always has and always will lie for you.

With lots of love,

Yours,

Jack

November 29, 1930

John Oliver LaGorce,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Jack:

I am very glad to have yours of the 25th, and certainly glad to note that you and Dan have had a chance to have a talk with Margaret.

Undoubtedly, Margaret has had more than her share to bear to entertain people that really meant nothing to us but trouble. As soon as she arrives, I am going to lock the front gates and let it very plainly and damn positively be known that the house is not a meeting place for all of the strange visitors that want to come in and spend a quiet evening drinking and eating a lot of good cheese and crackers.

I have been trying for several days to think of something that was worth putting on paper to say to you and Rube Goldberg regarding the cartoon. We get a laugh out of it every day, and you can tell Goldberg for me that I am taking down from the choice position over the mantel, a very expensive Rembrandt and substituting his cartoon. It is an odd coincidence, but the big fellow with the big nose in the stern of the boat, is really almost a duplicate of one of the niggers I had out catching bone fish. Some of these days, I will pull one on you and Goldberg that will square everything.

I am going to drop Arthur Brisbane a note and I am going out of the way to offer him a house and lot at less than the house cost to build. In other words, I am going to offer him a fine lot with a good sized house with two baths, for \$18,000, and the house cost more than that to build.

You will be surprised to know that I had to send all of my clothes down to the tailors last week

Oliver LaGorce, Washington, D.C.

have them reduced in size. I have lost fifteen pounds since I came down here, and I am working at tennis every day. I am a fiend nowadays for iced tea. A bottle of scotch or gin will last in our house indefinitely. I am feeling fine this afternoon for the first time, with the exception of a few days that I have missed a bunch of tennis for some time.

The new tower at the house is a knockout, and at this time, a half dozen different architects have been up to look it over, and I would not be at all surprised that towers will be a part of some new houses that are being designed. The view from the tower is perfectly wonderful, and I am sure you will approve of it. I built the tower with the expectations of selling my place to one particular person. If I don't make a deal with this one man, I am going to know that it will be some big help to some one else.

I am anxious to see you and Ethel. I telephone Margaret every evening and she seems bright and cheerful, and I am anxious to see her.

We lost out on the Banker's Convention, but Charlie Krom was up in the office the other day and confidentially his remark was "The hell with the Bankers Convention, Jack LaGorce is coming down."

Love and regards.

Yours,

OGF:A

November 29, 1930

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
437 North Street,
Greenfield, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Fisher:

At Galloway's request, I am writing today to the companies mentioned in your letter, having them send the Christmas samples to you for your consideration.

I have instructed that they mail the samples to you at the above address, as Galloway and I both thought it would save delay, and would enable you sufficient time to make your decision. I trust this meets with your approval.

I also have a large package addressed to you from The Brand-Chatillon Company, 773 Fifth Avenue, New York. Perhaps you wish it sent to the house, however, I am holding it here until I hear from you.

It is very pleasing to know that you are recovering rapidly, and to know that you will soon be at Miami Beach. It was never more beautiful.

Sincerely yours,

December 18, 1930

Mr. Fred A. Britten,
Lincoln Hotel,
Miami Beach, Florida

Margaret

My dear Fred:

I am hoping now to see you in
the next few days.

I know that you will be glad to
know that Margaret is home, and while she
is a little thin and tired, we are going
to make it easy for her to take it easy.
I want to keep the place practically closed
this winter, except to a few old time friends,
and see if I can't get her back on her feet
again. She has had a very tough time.

I will talk over with you some of
your other splendid projects when I see you.
I know when you see the Aerocar roll over
the hills, you will go wild about it.

It is really the biggest thing that
has been done.

Yours,

CGF:A

HOWARD W. LYON
INCORPORATED

GENERAL OFFICES & SHOWROOM
HOTEL BARCLAY
532 LEXINGTON AVENUE (AT 48th ST.)
NEW YORK

Dear Margaret,

So glad to hear you made 3 sales. What else besides 5812 and the grove? Thats the thing to do when you have the chance as after holding it 15 years if anyone wants it, let them have it because the chances are that the market wont be so good after the war ends and the indications are that it is going to end end reasonably soon, at least there is no doubt that we will win, it only being a question of when. You would be astounded how fast the Govt is cutting back on war contracts, some companies even laying off men already. Most companies are now doing all they can on post war planning but cant do any manufacturing on account of no materials.

Lionel got it like the rest. Have not been with them since Oct. 15th. While they had a backlog of 6 million 2 months ago they will run out of work by the end of Dec. so of course they pull in their horns quick and conserve the cash they have made the past 2 or 3 years as they may have to hang on for as long as 2 years before materials are released for the toy business again. While I have been looking around hard for 6 weeks havent found anything yet. With most war work tapering dwn fast this field is overloaded and as companies cant manufacture for post war yet they can only plan and of course are using their old personnel who know the field and business rather than hiring new.

Retail business here is thru the roof with not much merchandise to sell. Talked to Sheer a week ago and he told me he had seen it before so is lousy with cash and no diamond stock as prices and demand are way up but he anticipates they will fall way off when the war ends. As a matter of fact they went off 25% over night when Italy capitulated but worked back up again in about a month. He also says that he never used to take a job for less than \$1000 and now you couldnt sell anything over \$1000. That gives you an idea of the market in general.

Have heard that quite a boom was on all over Florida. If this were the case I certainly would get out on it and then wouldnt make the mistake of buying in again on the same market. Would just sit tight and see what develops in the next year or two and plenty of opportunities are bound to develop if you dont lose patience.

Ruth is writing you so will leave it up to her but tell Garrett I still have 2 of his letters to answer. Havent done so as I figure he is so busy working that he wouldnt have time to read them anyway. Hope hes eating a little better.

Cant get no more tickets so sending check back. If i do run across any will pick them up for you.

Give me more dope on the sales and prospects.

All now,

Howard

Sheer also tells me the natives are going to dispose of Andrody one of these days.

March 19th 1932.

F. Humpage

Margaret

Dear Fred:

In lieu of the contract I had with Margaret to pay her \$1000 per month, I am trading her property to conserve what cash we can get.

However, it has been difficult so far to make enough sales of some of her property here for her to pay her taxes, and the upkeep. She is carrying on a small real estate development plan of her own, and better times and demand may see her through so she will be more successful and able to build a small house at Port Washington.

There is a small lot next to the tennis court which we have a value on of \$2000. This lot is suitable only for a small cottage, so I wish you would make her a deed to this lot in lieu of \$2000 on her contract, also a lot further up the hill on the south side of the property in lieu of \$3000 on her contract.

Yours,

G. G. FISHER

P.S. Please send me an up to date map of Port Washington property showing the lots sold, and current asking price.

GGF-IM

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO. TO Carl G. Fisher

DATE March 24th, 1932.

FROM F. R. Humpage
Dear Carl:-

SUBJECT Deeding of property at Fort Wash. to (Mrs.) Margaret E. Fisher

I have your memo. of March 19th, regarding transfer of property to Mrs. Fisher in lieu of cash payment as per contract. I will immediately take care of this. In view of future possibilities I am taking the liberty of submitting some suggestions for your consideration so that the proper methods may be employed in making this transfer and that it will stay put in the event that at some later date someone who may not be friendly to you and your interests cannot upset this transaction:

FIRST:-Is this contract agreement which you refer to a written contract or simply a verbal agreement. If it is not a written contract, shouldn't it be, if it should, there should be a sufficient consideration shown for entering into the contract.

SECOND:-Shouldn't this contract if in existence or if not in existence, when drawn, be accepted by the Carl G. Fisher Co. as its obligation to be liquidated in some form or manner.

THIRD:-When this property is conveyed from Waterside to Mrs. Fisher, what is the consideration for the transfer, is this property when conveyed to be charged to Carl G. Fisher's personal account with the Waterside Realty Company, if so I call your attention to the fact that according to the books of the Waterside Realty Corp., Carl G. Fisher personally is indebted to that Corp. at the present time for approximately \$198,000. The question may arise as to why Waterside should increase that obligation in connection with this transaction.

FOURTH:-If this becomes an obligation of the Carl G. Fisher Co. or is an obligation assumed by them, the conditions are reversed as the Waterside Realty Corp. is indebted (according to the books of the Waterside Realty Corp) to the Fisher Co. both on open account and demand notes of Waterside to Fisher Co.; therefore, instead of increasing the personal indebtedness of Carl G. Fisher on the books of Waterside, it might be desirable to liquidate some of Waterside Realty's indebtedness to the Fisher Co.

FIFTH:-You suggest a valuation of \$3,000.00 on the lot "further up the hill" "on the South side of the property." We have no lot listed at the present time at a selling valuation of less than \$7,000. We sold two lots to Carmen having a then sales value of \$8250.00 for \$6,000 and we sold another lot, for a then sales value of \$7700.00 for \$5500.00. If we are to show a valuation of only \$3,000 on the lot which you refer to and anyone were so inclined, would you not be subject to possible criticism for transferring property to yourself at a price approximating one-half the value of that for which similar property had been recently sold, if so what objection would there be to placing the value of \$5000.00 on this lot in liquidating the indebtedness under your contract agreement with Margaret.

Please bear in mind that you have several strings to your bow and every transaction which is put through these several corporations (although you may own all of the stock in these corporations) should be clear cut and stand on its own feet, regardless of its affiliation.

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO. TO _____

DATE _____

FROM _____

SUBJECT _____

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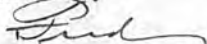
I hope you will not think that I am presuming in offering these comments for they are made only for the purpose and having in mind the protection of your personal and business interests and considering, what if any, may be the effect, if at sometime in the future interests not altogether friendly, have occasion to review prior transactions. Conditions are altogether different as regards the Waterside Realty Corp., Carl G. Fisher Co. and the Alton Beach Realty Corp. as against that at Montauk, in this way.

The Carl G. Fisher Co. and the Waterside Realty Corp. are indebted to the Alton Beach Realty Corp. for considerable amounts and the Waterside Realty Corp. is also indebted to the Carl G. Fisher Co. for a considerable amount and Carl G. Fisher personally (according to the books) is indebted to Waterside Realty Corp., Carl G. Fisher Co. and Alton Beach Realty Corp., whereas in the Montauk situation the conditions were reversed as Montauk was indebted to Carl G. Fisher and/or Carl G. Fisher Co; therefore, these last mentioned were morally and legally entitled to have offered to them and to accept land in lieu of cash for Montauk's indebtedness to them.

As I view it, it is not beyond the realms of possibility that with the Carl G. Fisher Co. owning all of the outstanding stock of the Alton Beach Realty Corp. together with that of the Waterside Realty Corp. and you personally (directly or indirectly) owning all of the stock of the Carl G. Fisher Co. and at the same time being personally and considerably indebted to both Alton Beach Realty Corp. and Carl G. Fisher Co. that the United States Treasury Revenue Experts may exert pressure to have a dividend declared, taking the position that the advances made to you personally were in effect, dividends paid to you in cash, although no regular dividends had been declared.

While this last mentioned has nothing whatever to do with the question of transferring of the Real Estate as outlined in your memorandum of March 19th, I mention it merely to indicate that having made a rather careful study of the situation as a whole, bring these matters to your attention, hoping to be of some assistance, not only in working out present problems but to prevent the development of any new ones and thus add to your troubles.

Sincerely



Frederic R. Humpage

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