

Miami Beach
- Biota

March 5th, 1919.

Mr. W. E. Brown :

... M e m o ...

Dear Sir:

Wish you would advise me how those
Eucalyptus trees are getting along that we set
out. If they are doing well, I wish you would
order about 200 more for me.

Carl G. Fisher.

CuF:R

Biota ?

October 18th, 1919.

Mr. Frank B. Shatts,
Shatts, Smith and Bowen,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Frank :

Herewith is the first of a series of four editorials on the mosquito situation at Miami. (For your information, this was written by John Oliver LaGorce)

I believe it would be a good thing for us to get ready to make a fight on the mosquitos within the next year.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

May 10th, 1920.

City Council,
Miami Beach,
Florida.

Gentlemen :

In the past two weeks we have had an expert entomologist investigating the local mosquito situation at Miami Beach.

We find that in addition to the several residences where tin cans are a part of the ornaments in the back yard, a considerable number of cisterns are left uncovered, forming a breeding place for hundreds of mosquitos. Possibly the greatest offender at Miami Beach is the Miami Beach Water Towers, thru the fact that the water from the pumps is forced in thru the bottom and the water on top is left unchanged, becoming stagnant - and the City of Miami Beach is consequently a breeding places for millions of mosquitoes.

Will you please take this matter up and see if you cannot do something about it ? I believe you could accomplish something if you would possibly have some intelligent, diplomatic person go from house to house and post the people on how to get rid of the mosquitoes. We should have a Sanitary Officer who could make it mandatory to comply with the proper regulations for eliminating the mosquitoes.

It was by a system of screening the cisterns and water towers by use of wire netting that yellow fever and malaria was completely stamped out at New Orleans.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

August 25rd, 1920.

Mr. T. E. James,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Mr. James:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 17th. I was very sorry to learn that the pheasants run away from our place but expect they have taken up with you because you have paid more attention to them and have furnished them with a wonderful home.

We have a contract for a thousand to turn out on the beach this Fall. Do you suppose that we have the proper laws at Miami Beach to protect these pheasants? We have also purchased some very beautiful peacocks that we are going to turn out on the golf course. We can have in a few years the most wonderful bird life at Miami Beach in America if we just have proper protection and let everybody on the beach be a member of a society for the protection of our bird life.

Very glad to hear from you and hope to see you again November 1st.

Very truly yours,

CGP:EM

THE MIAMI BEACH IMPROVEMENT CO.

OCEAN FRONT PROPERTY

OFFICE, 210 TWELFTH STREET

MIAMI, FLORIDA

10-19-20

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
434 N. Capital Ave.,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Mr. H. H. Bailey has moved to Miami Beach and bought some property and is now building a bungalow. He is very much interested in a Museum for the Beach. Probably you saw an account of it in the Metropolis recently. He states that if we will build an island in the lake, that he will stock it with beautiful birds, placing an ornamental wire fence around it so they will be protected from any harm from the water, and that these birds located on the island will naturally draw the wild birds. We all know what an attraction the ducks are at Palm Beach. He says we should have just as many here. And while I had practically decided we should not build an island in the lake, this puts a new phase on it, especially since we have learned that the rock in the lake is not merely an eighteen inch ledge, but is over four feet thick in some places, and therefore, it will have to be blasted and dug with a dipper dredge instead of a suction dredge as we had planned. This kind of work, however, should not be done with a clam shell or a orange peel, but the regular dipper dredge that is now being used on the Bay Shore work is the best for this proposition. Let me know what you think of this.

He also suggested that we leave one of these islands in the Creek in front of the Gleason property for the same purpose, and I have just written to Mr. Gleason to get his views on this.

Mr. Brown was just in with a blue print of the Miami Beach Bay Shore property showing polo barns in three different locations. He said Mr. Humpage was going to send you a map, and the plan that I approve the most is locating the polo barns just south of the Dairy. The more I think about the barns away up on the property where we first located them, the more I feel it is a mistake. It is too far away to begin with, and second, it is going to depreciate our high-class property, for it is in close proximity to it. I presume Mr. Humpage will write you more fully about it.

Very truly yours,

Thos J Pancoast

October 27th, 1920.

Mr. Thomas J. Pancoast,
Miami Beach Improvement Company,
Miami Beach - Florida.

Dear Mr. Pancoast :

Replying to yours of the 19th : You don't want an island of any kind in the small Lake if it is possible to get rid of it - but if you do have to have an island there, you don't want to make a lease with any Museum outfit for this island even if they would give you \$10,000 a year rent. We might arrange for one of the Bay Shore islands after we look this fellow over and see what he proposes to invest. If he only proposes to invest some bird seed, then we don't want anything to do with him - and I don't believe we would want this bird outfit located in front of the Gleason property unless it was of a very high class nature. If so, then this would not be a bad location.

I think #3 location for the Polo barns is O.K. Wherever the Polo barns are located, certainly ten or fifteen acres on which they are located will be depreciated - but we must fix the barns so attractive that the surrounding property will not suffer. I understood that you were in favor of #3 on the map, which was west and south of the Dairy. Either just south of the Dairy or west and south of the Dairy, as shown to me on the map, is satisfactory - but wherever they are located the ground must be leveled and in grass so that the appearance will be good by January or February.

Our Polo at Miami Beach this year is going to be wonderful. Some of the wealthiest people in America are going to be attracted to Miami Beach on account of the Polo.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

Thomas J. Pancoast

Memo:

Jan. 3rd, 1923

Tashiro:

I am sending you herewith some seed of a very beautiful sky blue sage. I want you to be very careful, and get us a lot of plants so that we can start it around the Beach.

As soon as you get any results, write to Mr. John Oliver LaGorce, National Geographic Magazine, Washington D. C. and tell him all about your experiment.

Carl G. Fisher

July 21, 1924.

Mr. Fisher:

I have just received a memorandum from Miss Collier with reference to a remittance to be sent to Jess Andrew and Capt. Tippet. I do not know what could have become of your letter of instruction in regard to this matter. We have no record of it and so I have wired you for instructions. It is barely possible that this letter was received and misfiled attached to other papers, as I have some recollection of seeing a request that we send Jess Andrew \$5,000.00 to cover polo expense, and I was of the impression that I approved it for immediate payment, but we cannot locate it higher low, and I am awaiting your instructions before mailing checks, as I do not know what amount to send Capt. Tippet.

I have your letter of the 15th carrying your approval of the layout north of Surprise Waterway and also the crossing of Allison Island bridge by the Electric Co. lines. This crossing in my opinion will cause the least possible injury to our property.

I also note your comment with reference to the Marmon. I did not like to bother you about this matter, but I thought too much of the car to take any chance of it being mishandled by some of the rotten transportation companies and just wanted to make sure that it was not lost. I will try to observe your warning not to undertake to ramble the old boat too strong, as I probably need it. I get tied up on so many problems and troubles that I invariably get away from the office about the time I should be making an appointment with Judge Price or somebody over town and then I try to make it in nothing flat so I can get back as quick as possible. Brogden increased the speed limit on the Causeway to 35 miles an hour and I think he did it for my special benefit, but if I say it myself I know how to handle a car and as it appears that I am on the water wagon permanently I do not anticipate trouble.

I had a knock down and drag out fight with Brown yesterday on some of the grades which he has been giving for roads and sidewalks. I have cautioned him repeatedly as to the amount of work piled up on Fred due to the fact that he does not want to waive a few inches in grade over a distance of 2 or 3 blocks. In this instance the sidewalk gang had built 2 blocks of sidewalk about 18 to 30 inches below the surface of the fill, causing an enormous amount of excavating and grading, and the thing that made me so terribly peeved was the fact that Hoerger had anticipated this and raised the grade of the road when it was built from 12 to 14 inches so that the sidewalk was away below the surface of the road and Brown's men should have seen that it was going to cause serious confusion. Fortunately, Ringwood was on record as having instructed the sidewalk gang not to place that paving and we can compel them to lay it over as it was entirely their fault that they proceeded with the work.

Brown assumed the attitude that they had laid out the grade for the street and had laid the sidewalk out in accordance with their former grade for the street, and intimated that Hoerger and Ringwood should not have changed the other grades and defended his men in their action and not using some sense. The thing that made me so mad over this occurrence was the fact that our work is merely delayed this much and a misunderstanding of this kind is bound to create some hard feeling on the part of the sidewalk contractor and it came immediately on top of several discussions which I had with Brown and Ringwood, impressing on them the necessity of close co-operation to prevent delays of this kind. Brown finally abandoned the position of defending their office and admitted the fault, and I believe we will have no repetition of this trouble. If we were not concluding the bulk of our development I would undertake to re-organize the Engineering Department, but our work is too short lived to attempt such a thing.

Brown does not seem to appreciate the fact that we require speed and was rather unconcerned over the fact that we had to move 3000 or 4000 yards of material as he thought that in the course of 6 or 8 months that we would need that material for fills in the neighborhood anyhow and I cant get it into his head that Koerger is compelled to clean up as he goes.


I raised so much sand that I know that Brown lined up his men so that there will be no future trouble.

I think we have been making splendid progress and that Brown and Ringwood and all have been doing fine and this is possibly due to the fact that they have been pushed so fast that they cannot get the grades far enough in advance to really size up the effect of it before the contractors get into it.

I hope you have not abandoned your trip south, but I am glad that you have not been here to experience the unusually hot weather of the past two or three weeks. Day before yesterday the thermometer hit 93, the hottest weather in twelve years, and it has been hitting 92 consistently. The nights have been fairly pleasant, but it is just that kind of weather that you feel like a dishrag, early in the morning as well as late at night.

I have been working with Mr. J. B. Prevatt on the bird proposition and I think we are going to work up something that is going to be a wonderful benefit to the Beach. We have purchased a great many birds from Deering at a very cheap rate as Deering is closing out and the original plan of Mr. Prevatt will be accomplished in a wonderful way if we can get a large number of parrots. The head of the Bronx Zoo in New York wrote Mr. Prevatt that we should be highly successful in raising parrots in our ideal condition here and he was particularly interested in it as he said there was a large number of wonderful varieties on the Isle of Pines which would be extinct within a comparatively few years unless somebody in this climate undertook to raise them.

We are also securing some very valuable swans and water fowl from Deering at very reasonable prices and should add a wonderful attraction to the Lakes such as Surprise Lake and Pancoast Lake. We are not giving a great deal of publicity to this at present until we have worked out the plans fully, and we expect to turn it loose with quite a bit of publicity at one of the Chamber of Commerce meetings in the near future, as we intend to ask the co-operation of all the people on the Beach in protecting these birds and I am sure we will have no difficulty in putting it over. Everybody approached on the subject is quite enthusiastic and they all draw on their imagination as to the comment of our winter visitors when they see a large variety of birds walking and flying around on the Beach.


W. A. KOHLHEPP

MB Biota

February 13th, 1925.

Mr. Edward W. Bok,
Mountain Lake, Fla.

Dear Mr. Bok:

Replying to your letter of the 10th. We brought some Flamingoes from Andros Island but they only lived a very short time; I think the exceedingly rough passage they had was the primary cause of their death.

I have just imported some Flamingoes from Africa, but am very much disappointed as they do not have the high colored plumage as the Andros Island specie have.

I think you will find it very difficult to get any Flamingoes from Andros Island; first you must have a permit from the government; then you must get the Flamingoes, which is a very tough job I assure you.

I know very little about the food conditions necessary to raise them.

Mr. Carl Fischer
Havana
Florida

Believe me,
Yours very truly,

Very cordially yours,

GCF-mc

Edward W. Bok

MR. BOK
MOUNTAIN LAKE
FLORIDA

February tenth
Nineteen hundred
and twenty-five

Dear Mr. Fisher:

I understand that some years ago you imported some flamingoes and tried to domesticate them without success. I am going to try to do the same thing and I wonder if you can tell me wherein you failed.

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Mr. C. Fischer
Miami, Florida

Believe me,

Very cordially yours,

Edward W. Boll

Yours very truly,

CGF-mc

C O P Y

MEMO TO MR. FISHER
FROM C. W. CHASE, JR.

November 28, 1927.

On Saturday night we sent Tashiro to Thalman, Georgia and on the same train shipped, by express, 600 plants of 26 different varieties all of which grow here and which Tashiro will plant out at Mr. Coffin's place to see if they can be grown there.

In addition to the 600 plants we also shipped 1000 cuttings of various kinds and 400 pounds of para grass. We also shipped a good supply of seed of various kinds of trees and shrubs, all of which of the above Tashiro will plant while there.

Regarding the Japanese cane concerning which you asked me to obtain information from Mr. Marcus Milam: Mr. Milam says there is none of this cane around here at present. He says that this grows very well in the vicinity of St. Simon's Island that it can be obtained quite easily if Mr. Coffin will get in touch with the Secretary of Agriculture of the state of Georgia and ask the Secretary to have the Agricultural Agents of the countries close by St. Simon's Island supply him with his needs. Mr. Milam says they will give him every assistance, show him how to plant the cane and that in that section of Georgia it ought to grow to a height of twelve feet in about six months. He believes it will have to be planted each year as frost is apt to kill it.

Mr. James Donn, of the Exstic Gardens, says that Mr. Coffin can obtain a great deal of information and a supply of all of the plants that will grow in his section of Florida, by getting in touch with Mr. John Wolfe, Florist, Savannah, Georgia.

C. W. Chase, Jr.

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Dayton Ohio 1031AM Jan 3rd

Carl Fisher

care the Alton beach Realty Co

Miami Beach Flo.

Sent crates of pheasants with polo ponies which should arrive Miami & today these birds should ~~xxxxxx~~ be taken at once to the island boxes located in quiet place and opening made at night so birds can escape unmolested

H E Talbott

113PM

Biosfa

047 Take this to Cat Cay

MEMORANDUM

FROM MR. FISHER

TO Mr. Fred Hoerger.

DATE April 3, 1930.

SUBJECT Planting.

Biota

At the Flamingo Hotel around the Seals pen the ground is low and soggy. I would like to have five or six truck loads of rock put on this low ground which will encourage the grass and will make the ground solid.

Also if we are going to leave the seals there this summer, which looks likely, we will need two or three more trees planted there. I wish you would see Mr. Krom immediately regarding the planting this year of a large number of coconut trees in the grounds.

This also goes for the Lincoln and around the Boulevard and the Nautilus. These trees need not be particularly large but they should be strong and healthy and well looked after.

We must also make arrangements for planting some trees on our ocean front property adjoining the Bath Club and have them taken care of. And we must get actively after the trees on Allison Island and LaGorce Island. Another thing we must do is to have a campaign and lay out a plan of improving our property on Sunset Island. Wish you would see Mr. Collins and myself in the next few days so that we can okay a complete program now.

Miami Beach News

FISHER TELLS HOW FLAMINGO MAY COME BACK

Beach Residents Informed How to Feed Wild Birds and Fish

Carl Fisher is a great lover of nature. To a few of his friends he has issued the following communication on the subject of conserving bird life here:

"Thousands of flamingos, cranes and ducks used to inhabit the shores of Biscayne bay.

"With the coming of the dredges that were so active for years, filling in the land all along the bay front, these beautiful waterfowl were driven away from here.

"You can have many of these wild birds come right to your waterfront home if you want them. We have hundreds of them at the Flamingo hotel every winter now, and here's how you can attract them to your place:

"Tie a small line to a board that is about eight inches wide, two inches thick and two or three feet long. On this board tie a loaf of whole wheat or rye bread (never use white bread, as that will kill the birds; let this board drift out 50 or 100 feet and pull it in each day or two, depending on how rapidly the bread is eaten.

"The birds may not discover this food for several days, but once they do, you can depend upon it that you will have them with you in increasing numbers.

"While feeding the wild ducks at the Flamingo we often notice thousands of mullet fish waiting to be fed. Only recently a small boy caught two kingfish just south of the Flamingo, weighing about 25 pounds each.

"We would appreciate your cooperation in feeding these birds and fish. Do not put any large pieces of food overboard, however, as we do not want to attract the barracuda. We are inquiring from the best authorities on the feeding and attracting of birds and fish and hope to have more information for you soon, if you are interested."

The News League
Dayton, Ohio

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OFFICE OF THE PUBLISHER

Miami, Fla.

April 7, 1930

Broka

My dear Carl:

Please tell your nature faker, whoever he is, to put me on the list of whatever you get on conserving wild life. Your letter of the 5th is interesting. We are making a story out of it to-day.

Sincerely yours,

J. M. —

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
The Carl G. Fisher Co.,
Miami Beach, Fla.

MEMORANDUM

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FROM MR. FISHER

DATE April 8, 1930

TO Mr. F. L. Abel.

SUBJECT

We understand that yesterday somebody on the Nautilus grounds was shooting at ducks. This may not have been some of your employees, but please notify the employees that there is a strict ordinance against shooting in the city limits, and the judge would not be inclined to be considerate with anybody who would shoot these ducks which we are trying to tame and establish a bird colony here.

CGF:T

VILLA MACOTO
STAR ISLAND
MIAMI BEACH, FLA.

April 8, 1930

Mr. Carl G Fisher
Miami Beach
Florida

Dear Mr. Fisher:

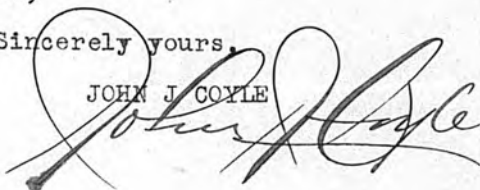
Yours of the 7th, relative to the beautiful water fowl that formerly inhabited the Miami Beach shores of Biscayne Bay, received and read with much interest.

Your great work in developing Miami Beach has marked for you a conspicuous place in the history of this City, and now your efforts to bring back the flamingos, cranes, ducks, etc., shows your very active mind is now endeavoring to further add to your already thoroughly established reputation.

Assuring you that it will be a pleasure to me to comply with your suggestion, and hoping in a little way to aid you in this work, I remain, with kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

JOHN J. COYLE

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John J. Coyle". The signature is written over the typed name "JOHN J. COYLE".

4376 NORTH BAY ROAD
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

April 8, 1930.

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

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Answering yours of the 5th. We beg to thank you for advice as to how to attract wild birds. We are very much interested in them and have been feeding the ducks for some time and will follow your suggestion as to the methods, hoping you will instruct us when you have additional information.

It was our impression the Flamingo departed because of lack of proper shore area on which to build their nests.

Yours very truly,

J. L. DeBorja

FLD:MC.

ERNEST FRANCIS COE

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

MEMBER A. S. L. A.

April 9, 1930

RESIDENCE
3648 MATHESON AVE.
COCONUT GROVE, FLORIDA

OFFICE
COUNTY COURT HOUSE
MIAMI, FLORIDA

SUMMER ADDRESS
WAKEFIELD, R. I.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Miami Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Fisher:

I read with interest in the Miami Beach news column of the Miami Daily News of April 7, and have had my attention called to it several times by others, reference to your communication on the subject of conserving bird life here.

Announcements of this nature coming from those known to be nature lovers and whose opinion is accepted as authoritative is sure to bring good results. Many will be led to adopt your recommended plan of attracting bird life along the beaches, adding again the once-time charm of these lovely creatures.

I vividly recall the impression I gained when first observing in an old temple garden in Japan many of the wild native birds seemingly quite at home and unafraid; wild ducks flying in and out of the little lakes and ponds in the very midst of city surroundings, and the wading birds too.

Wild bird life chooses to be friendly with mankind and we quickly gain the confidence of bird life when we give it opportunity.

No wonder the mainland shores of Florida Bay are known as the Flamingo beaches. It must have been a magnificent sight to see the thousands of these beautiful birds flying in their triangle patterns, wading in the shoals, and some with their heads ducked well into the mud and with those suction pump bills of theirs extracting the little shell fish and disposing of the mud.

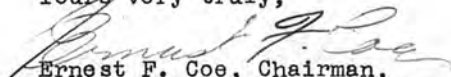
We certainly have a rich store ahead for the tourist when this region becomes a National Park and a well built highway extends along these neaches.

I see no reason why this strangely wonderful bird, the flamingo, should not ultimately again be abundant, not only in the Bay of Florida region, but all the way along up the coast of Biscayne Bay.

Human beings need be no barrier to these lovely birds but, sad to relate, have been in the past.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,


Ernest F. Coe, Chairman,
Tropic Everglades Park Ass.

Milford 4/9

April 9, 1930

Mr. Morton Milford, Editor,
Miami Daily News,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Mr. Milford:

The writer, in common with many others, read with keen interest and appreciation article on second page of the "News" of Monday, April 7, entitled, "Fisher Tells How Flamingo May Come Back".

It is probable that Mr. Fisher did not wish to infer that flamingoes would be likely to be attracted by the methods he recommends for attracting birds in a general way. This splendid article undoubtedly had the desired effect of interesting the public and this letter is with no thought of being critical from any angle.

I believe that the time is not far distant when the flamingo will become a tremendous asset to South Florida. The establishing of the National Park will protect him within its limits. A popular desire for his protection is rapidly growing. We can believe that in the not distant future he will have ceased to be the target for the rifle in the hands of the thoughtless, the plume hunter, and those seeking him as an article of food.

If today you could announce in the "News" that a flock of several or even a single flamingo had actually alighted anywhere along our nearby beaches, it would prove to be a headliner not only locally but throughout the United States, so keen is the interest in this strangely beautiful bird. That they might be seen flying and wading about here and there along the shores of South Florida would in itself be a tremendous attraction to the northerner. It is well known that a very large colony of the flamingoes lives on the Andros Islands but a hundred miles or so off our keys. It is probable that even now an occasional scout flamingo flies across from this colony to our shores, but probably his chance of returning alive is very slim indeed. When the time comes that a scout flamingo from the Andros Islands may not only alight on our shores, but return again, having discovered ample feeding ground, we can believe that others would soon repeat the excursion and the time would not be far removed when again, as in former years, the flamingoes would be flying back and forth in goodly numbers.

We are seeking to promote our natural resources. The flamingo offers us a resource that needs no development but merely an absolute assurance that we will keep our hands off and let nature's inclination rule.

Very truly yours,

Fisher 4/9
Flamingo
EFC/E

Ernest F. Coe, Chairman,
Tropic Everglades Park Assn.

April 10, 1930.

Mr. Ernest F. Coe,
County Court House,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Mr. Coe:

Thanks for yours of the ninth. I had expected a visit from an expert on the subject of feeding and attracting bird life but I am afraid I won't see him in the next two or three weeks. I want to get some further information to assist in feeding the birds we want to attract.

We must educate the people who wish to help, that it does very little good to just throw food into the water.

I am certain we could not attract flamingoes except by starting a colony, and we will no doubt be prepared to do this another year. Through the efforts of Jack LaGorce and myself, we were able to get a law through the Bahama Islands protecting the flamingoes. We understood the flamingoes had commenced to multiply there before the last storm which probably has done great damage to their nests and young. I am going to try to get over to South Andros Island in the next two or three weeks and see what is left.

We could get some flamingoes from Africa for a start.

Of course, the National Park will also be a wonderful thing to this part of the country.

Very truly yours,

OGF:T

ALBERT D. LASKER
4925 COLLINS AVENUE
MIAMI BEACH, FLA.

April 9th, 1930

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Miami Beach,
Florida

My dear Mr. Fisher:-

I have your letter of April 8th,
regarding the Flamingos.

Indeed I shall be only too happy to co-
operate, and have instructed my caretaker accord-
ingly.

Sincerely,

Albert D. Lasker

M. S. BROOKS & SONS,

MANUFACTURERS OF

BRIGHT IRON AND BRASS WIRE GOODS.

Chester, Conn., Apr. 10th, 1930

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
The Carl G. Fisher Co.,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Sir:

I was very much interested in reading your letter of the 5th, relative to feeding of ducks in Bisquane Bay.

I have spent many winters at the Flamingo, staying there the first year it was open, and am very familiar with the surroundings.

If you get any later information relative to attracting birds and fish, I shall be very glad, indeed, to have the same next winter when we occupy our home at 3080 N. Bay Road, Miami Beach and will try it out.

Thanking you for the attention, I remain,

Yours truly,

M. S. Brooks

HCB/RW

April 14, 1930.

Mr. H. C. Brooks,
Chester, Connecticut.

My dear Sir:

I am after some real information
and expert advice, and as soon as I
get it I am going to pass the word along.

Thanks a lot for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

CCP:T

April 14, 1930.

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Chester, Connecticut.

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A. C. VON HAGEN, PRESIDENT

April 10 th 1930.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher;
Miami Beach Florida.
My Dear Mr. Fisher;

Your efforts toward attracting wild bird life to Miami Beach as outlined in your interview, and also in your circular letter received to day is most Commendable.

I have always claimed that birds and animals are not naturally wild or ferocious, but are made so mostly by their fear of man through their propensity to destroy them.

This winter we have had a pair of wild mallards come right up to our front porch three times each day to be fed.

We find also they enjoy the accessability of good fresh drinking water as much as they do the food, and we have plans now for a large drinking fountain next to the Creek the same being even with the top of the ground.

To day we are also planting a Mulberry tree for the birds as they are very fond of the Mulberry Berries.

Yours very sincerely,


A.C. Von Hagen

I thought a copy of a telegram received April 1st from my Banker in Minnesota, giving me information on the market might be of interest to you.

April 10 1930.

Mr. A. C. Von Hagen,
Miami Beach.

Dear Mr. Von Hagen:

Thanks for yours of the 10th.
I am glad I don't own any of the
stock you seem to own.

I am getting some real expert
opinion on attracting birds and I
will pass it along just as soon as
I am sure it is o.k.

Very truly yours,

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J. C. PENNEY
330 WEST 34TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY

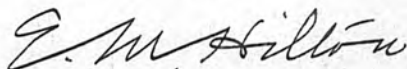
April 14, 1930.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Miami Beach, Fla.

My dear Mr. Fisher:

Mr. Penney appreciates your letter of April seventh with reference to the attraction of wild birds to waterfronts along Biscayne Bay. He will be interested in receiving the further information you speak of when you receive it. In the meantime instructions are being issued to the caretaker at Belle Isle to provide food in accordance with the information given in your current letter.

Very truly yours,



Executive Secretary.

CENTRAL SENADO, S. A.
PROVINCIA DE CAMAGUEY
CUBA

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April 14, 1930.

Dear Mr. Fisher:-

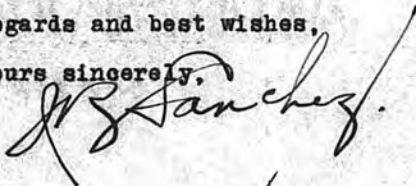
Many thanks for your kind lines of the 8th. I am very much interested. I succeeded in getting quite a number of ducks to visit with us during the winter: lot 23 on Star Island. We are trying to do the same on lot 37 now.

Will certainly follow your suggestions.

I wish you could see the number of wild birds we have here every winter, they visit us from the North. They are so tame we have to keep everything closed, they come right into the house.

Kindest personal regards and best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Miami Beach, Fla. U.S.A.

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

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MEMO TO Mr. Carl G. Fisher

DATE June 13, 1930

FROM Paul Kunschik

SUBJECT Seals

We have just received information at this office that the seals entrusted to the care of the Miami Aquarium all died. I rather feared that this might happen, but on assurance by Capt. Thompson that the Miami Aquarium would take good care of them, we permitted them to be removed to that place. I am expecting to get a report from the manager of the Aquarium shortly and will forward it to you.

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Paul Kunschik
PAUL KUNSCHIK

COPY TO CHAS. S. KROM
CAPT. CHAS. THOMPSON

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

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MEMO TO Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Mr. Irving A. Collins

FROM Paul Kunschik

DATE August 12, 1930

SUBJECT _____

Captain Tom Newman, who is quite well known among the local fishermen, called on me yesterday seeking permission to tie up a floating fish crawl along our dock at the eastern viaduct of the county causeway just north of ferry boat slips. In order that you may understand just what he has in mind, I wish to state that Captain Newman owned and operated charter fishing boats for some time in Miami waters. He then went into the manufacture of artificial ice, owned and operated his own plant in the southwest section of Miami. Recently, the City Ice and Fuel Company, a northern utility, purchased a number of the ice plants in Miami including Captain Newman's, resulting in a nice profit to the Captain. He is reinvesting this money in a cold storage fish plant along the Miami River at about North West First Street. He is also about to engage in the manufacture of dry ice. In his fishing plant he proposes to buy fish during the summer months when prices are low, put them through the rapid freezing process, and keep them in cold storage for the winter demands. Considerable publicity has been given to Captain Newman's activity by the local newspapers recently. It seems that he proposes to break the fish market by under selling. He says that there is no occasion for local fish going on the market at the prices that have been paid here in the past. He claims that he can sell fish at 10¢ a pound and make money.

Now as to the fish crawl, he proposes a crawl approximately eighteen by twenty-two feet in which he would place stone crabs at the present price of 7¢ a pound alive. He has available from his fish market food to feed these crabs without additional cost to himself and he would have these stone crabs available the coming winter and could place them on the market at about 15¢ a pound which is less than the usual market price during the winter season, although we were able to buy considerable quantities here in the early part of the season last winter at 15¢ a pound.

I told Captain Newman that I would submit his proposition to you but that I was rather inclined to think that you would not want an enterprise of this kind that near to the county causeway and to Miami Beach. However, we might enter into some sort of agreement with Captain Newman to furnish our hotels with stone crabs and fresh fish at prices below the market. The project in that way might be partially at least to our benefit. Please let me hear from you as I have promised to give Captain Newman an answer at an early date.

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PK:A

Paul Kunschik
PAUL KUNSCHIK

Flamingo

February 3, 1932.

Mr. Jorge B. Sanchez,
Central Senado, S.A.,
Provincia De Camaguey,
Cuba.

My dear Sanchez:

Yours of the 28th. I think the proper shipment, if we could secure the Flamingoes, would be to send them on one of the Steamers coming over from Havana here. An airplane trip is liable to be very rough, and owing to their size, they need considerable space in a cage. These birds are very easily bruised.

I had a talk with the Cuban Consul here, and I thought it would be a very splendid expression of good will, if the President of Cuba, or the Touring Committee of Cuba, would arrange a shipment of these Flamingoes to Mr. Widener of the Hialeah Race Track. This would only mean a gesture of good will from one sporting organization to another.

Mr. Widener is one of the premier sportsmen of America, and has done a lot for this country, both in building of tracks, promoting very high grade racing, and in his efforts to improve the breeding of fine horses. However, there has been so much delay, that I am afraid something has gone wrong with the plan, and as I started out to get these Flamingoes for Mr. Widener I am very anxious to complete the job. Of course I will be very glad to stand any expense that is necessary to secure them and ship them here.

Quite a shipment of Flamingoes was received here, and some sent out to Mr. Widener's track, but they were not properly pinned, and they flew away. The next bunch we get we will handoff.

Will be glad to hear from you,

Yours,

Flamingoes

February 9th 1932.

Dr. J. Perez Benitoa,
Hotel Palace,
Havana, Cuba.

My dear Dr. Benitoa:

I have been trying to get some Flamingoes from Cuba, to be presented to Mr. Widener of the Hialeah track. Mr. Widener is a great American sportsman.

I have not been able to secure the Flamingoes, and I would like to know if you are in touch with the proper persons in the Flamingo country to get a dozen of them, and send them over on the steamer to me.

Will you kindly let me know what the expense would be by return mail?

Very truly yours,

C. C. FISHER

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Flamingoes

March 4th 1932.

Mr. J. Perez Benitoa,
Hotel Palace,
Havana, Cuba.

Dear Mr. Benitoa:

Replying to yours of the 29th, there is nothing much that I can tell you now regarding the tour this season, so many people seem to think that it is late in the season, and that we should make an earlier start for next year.

Now regarding the Flamingoes. The Hialeah track has received three separate flocks of Flamingoes, and they have them on the track, which is all they require for this year.

I really don't understand why I had so much trouble to get some Flamingoes from Cuba, when they are constantly coming in here. However, I know you have done the best you could.

I will write you further if any new developments come up regarding the tour, but it does seem right now that it will have to be postponed for this year, with possibly just a few of our club representatives to go over the road, and make a report generally to the balance of the people that we expect for the coming season.

Yours,

C. G. FISHER

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Fred Hoerger

G. G. Fisher

MB Bista
June 3rd 1933.

We are going to need considerable lime for the golf courses and several lawns where the chinchbugs are now commencing to operate on full time.

Mr. Maule was in this morning and said he could get us this lime for \$3.00 a ton, if he had a little notice, so that he could collect for us in 50 or 100 ton lots.

This is considerably under any price I have ever heard of, and we may save some money, if we can remember this when we are ready for it.

G. G. FISHER

Copy to:
Mr. Irving A. Collins

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