

Personality
(Miscellaneous -
friendships,
opinions, etc.)

CARL G. FISHER
INDIANAPOLIS

September 30th, 1918.

Here is the best nigger story I think I ever heard : Its a wild cat :

"One nigger was telling another that he almost cut his throat and broke his neck last Saturday night. He said : "You know Ah get married last Saturday afternoon, right after work. Ah married a gal from over the Ridge : we met in town, got married and had supper. I took her home and went upstairs to her room and shut the door" - he said, "Ah was just setting there with my arm around this gal when there come two raps on the door - jus' like dat - rap - rap. I done forget Ah was married, nigger, and jumped right out the window".

January 15 1919

Mr. A. G. Batchelder,
Care American Automobile Association,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Batch,

I have yours of the 8th. Certainly Second Assistant Postmaster General Otto Fraeger is on his job when he refers to the postoffice pilots and other pilots as being "only temperamental chauffeurs in chorus-girl class A."

It is all the Department's fault for insisting on a college education, a smattering of Greek, a knowledge of the best place to tuck the handkerchief, and how to wear a wrist watch. You can drop in on almost any aviation school and pick out a few Irish, and a few regular drivers who could change the entire personnel of the outfit if they were given a chance.

The rules seem, however, to be clearly in favor of the fellows who don't know much about their business, who don't want to know anything about their business, and who won't take an interest in it.

However, what's the use of worrying about it? I own no stock in an airplane factory. I'd prefer to own stock in a Belgian rabbit factory.

Yours very truly,

CGF/mb

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January 8-1919

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Carl:

Attended an Aircraft dinner last night which was only partially a joyous occasion. I didn't sit at the same table with Caleb, but during the evening I brought him to our bunch, which included Glenn Martin and Major Smith and Lieutenant Worthington, two of the pilots who had just finished the cross-country flight.

Second Assistant Postmaster General Otto Praeger made a great hit (?) with those present by referring to the post-office pilots and other pilots as being only temperamental chauffeurs who almost figured in the chorus-girl class because of the stunts they insisted upon doing. However, he did say that when a plane could land in a small space and not on a forty-acre lot, then it would have real commercial possibilities.

Of course I wouldn't be undiplomatic enough to talk too loudly, but I have a hunch that I wouldn't invest very much money in an aeroplane factory at this stage of the game. The Government appears to be the only buyer in sight and the aforesaid Government has been somewhat slow in going forward on this particular thing.

Yours sincerely,

A. G. Batchelder

P.S. Caleb says he is leaving for the South in the next day or two, and so you had better get ready as he is likely to "run down" from Palm Beach.

Resanby

April 20th, 1919.

Mr. E. C. Patterson,
c/o Warner-Patterson Company,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Patterson :

The brochure came in alright. I sent word downstairs to have it opened and it caused a sensation. Two of our best looking stenographers resigned. I never was particularly in favor of good looking blonds, but this one is out of the ordinary. I am going to hang it on a good spot on the wall where you will have to look up to it.

We have attended to the sunning platform at Miami, and we are certainly going to keep the crowds there next year.

Jules Goux has been given charge of our racing outfit. We expect him here in ten days. He thinks he will have to have both Peugeot's in order to have enough extra parts to make him safe on one. We have been trying to sell the Premiers. It was a question in our minds if it would be better to sell the cars than to take chances in racing them, especially with drivers that we were not absolutely positive of. At any rate, both Allison and myself have had somewhat cold feet on the racing game : we have had considerable bad luck, as you know, and ~~yes~~ now trying to interest ourselves in the building of some high powered motors that can be used for high speed boat runabouts. I saw the drawings today of a motor that will develop 400 H.P. and weigh 2000 pounds. This makes it possible to have a 32-foot runabout that will do 60-miles an hour on the water - and whenever you have a boat like this, it is some sport, especially at Miami.

I don't know just how you have managed to manipulate the Detroit Athletic Club, but I will say you are some manipulator. I am anxious to see the Remington again.

We had the most beautiful weather after you left Miami that you can imagine. I just got home yesterday and there is nothing but dust and dirt and smoke here. There is only one thing in the world that would make me want an airplane and that is to be able to leave here in the morning and by evening be in Miami, and as soon as somebody builds a machine that can be ruffled and that can do 1400 miles in a day, I am going to buy one for that express purpose.

Had a letter from Caleb and told him to get here a day in advance. If you can do so, you ought to be down a couple of days in advance.

Mr. E. C. Patterson. #2. April 20th, 1919.

You probably can't get any accommodations at the Hotel, so we will be glad to have you at the house - and by that time in May, we will have the swimming pool at the house fixed up so we can take a swim every evening.

Yours very truly,

GGF:R

GEORGE R. KLINE
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
MIAMI, FLA.

June, 30th., 1919.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Politics

Dear Mr. Fisher:-

I am enclosing you herewith a little folder I have just gotten out, and thought it might be of interest to you. My plans are now complete and I will be selling this water in a few days.

In the analysis on back of folder you will note that this water has no organic matter in it, and this is especially of note as I am informed that it is the only Spring Water in the United States with such a high analysis. It also is especially high in other qualities showing purity.

It is my intention to establish in connection with the business a bottling plant where I will put up a high class Ginger Ale, and other soft drinks. In my opinion after July 1st., there will be quite a nice business done in that line. If you know of a good man in this line in your City please put him in touch with me.

Miami continues to grow with rapid strides. The home folks are sure buying property, and building. I look for the best year ever next Season. Especially do I look for an active year at the Beach.

They got off a good joke on you at the Theatre the other Night. The Comedian asked what was love, and the answer was that it was the one thing in Miami that Carl G. Fisher didn't control. It caused a real laugh.

Saw Mr. McDuffie yesterday.

*with but with
Duffie. Geo. R. Kline*

July 3rd, 1919.

Mr. George R. Kline,
Miami - Florida.

Dear Sir :

Replying to yours of the 30th : I would not care to be a stockholder and one of the incorporators of the Crystal Spring Water Company. I do not think it is necessary to assist in your business - as the stockholders in the company are not going to get your business or help you maintain it. You will just have to have good water and make deliveries.

The little circular you have gotten out is very good and I am in hopes that your water transportation scheme will work out alright. I don't see any reason why it shouldn't, if the water can be transported without becoming foul.

I will see you the next time I am down in Miami and we will talk this matter over further.

That was a very good joke at the theatre - on me. If you ever see that comedian you might tell him that this particular article he mentions is a line of goods that I don't want to control, either.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

War vets

August 5th, 1919.

Mr. Joe Boyer,
c/o The Frontenac Motor Company,
Plainfield, New Jersey.

Dear Sir :

The Hospital here at Fort Benj. Harrison has about 750 badly shot up young men from this last War. There is one thing that these young fellows want to see more than anything else in the world - at least they say they do ; they want to see a match race at the Speedway between you, Ralph DeBaha, Willcox and a couple of the other boys.

I told the Colonel in charge of the Post the other day that the Speedway would donate the Track and the officials, and that we would get the Motor Corps to donate the automobiles to haul all these poor devils out to the Speedway. I also told him that I would try and get you fellows down here to drive an exhibition for these boys.

We have a couple of Peugeotts and one Premier that are in good shape. Willcox will drive one of the Peugeotts and I suppose you will prefer to drive your own car.

I thot for a program, if we could get your consent and the others, we would have a ten (10), twenty (20) and thirty (30) mile race for a Gold Medal. In the twenty mile race we would have a stop on the fifth lap for a tire change. This is about the only program that I could think of that would not run into considerable expense for tires, mechanics, etc.

I feel that we can't do too much for these poor devils who are all shot up. There will be about seven hundred of them in the grandstand and it will take about four hundred automobiles to haul this number, as in some cases it takes an entire automobile to haul one cripple. There will also have to be a large number of officers, nurses, etc.

On receipt of this letter won't you please wire me if you will come ? A definite date has not yet been decided upon - we want to have it the latter part of the month or early in September.

Let me hear from you.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

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Yours very truly,

GCP:R

Rebman

August 5th, 1919.

Mr. Ralph Mulford,
c/o Mr. Burt Young, Superintendent,
Sheepshead Bay Speedway,
New York.

Dear Ralph :

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I will also try to get Joe Boyer with a Frontenac and Louis Chevrolet.

Let me hear from you.

Yours very truly,

CCP,R

August 12th, 1919.

Mrs. Della Thompson,
c/o Mrs. R. E. Keene,
Portland, Indiana.

My dear Mrs. Thompson :

You have probably wondered at the delay in reporting on my interview with Mr. Fisher regarding Konstantin Argetaplos. Mr. Fisher has been out of the city practically the entire Summer - I was also away for a couple of weeks - and we both just returned a few days ago. At the first opportune moment I told Mr. Fisher, briefly, the boy's story.

As you may remember, I anticipated the attitude that Mr. Fisher might take, and he is not inclined to do anything in this particular instance. It would take too long a letter to repeat his arguments - arguments that from his standpoint are clear and keen, derived from his experience as a successful business man. He contends that if the boy really has ambition, he can make a bigger success of his life by pushing right ahead now without wasting four years in a University. You, on the side of high education, probably would not agree - but some time in talking to you I will explain more fully Mr. Fisher's standpoint or viewpoint.

I am sorry we failed - and hope Konstat will go ahead anyway and come thru the stronger for the struggle.

Sincerely,

AAR:R

August 13th, 1919.

Mr. B. H. Rader,
Lehigh Portland Cement Company,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Rader :

I have yours of the 11th : I don't understand why you cement fellows keep on wasting money and effort to get business with the cement markets all covered up tight and the prices nailed to a cork skin. However, I would be very glad to see the new Flamingo Hotel made with Lehigh Portland Cement.

We are rather discouraged at the rumors we hear regarding prices, labor conditions, etc. We started out to build a hotel that would cost a million dollars, and from the appearance of things, it will cost two million. Where are we going to get the other million? If you have already made this mess out of ISKO I might borrow it from you for a long time and no interest.

Yours very truly,

GGF:R

P. S. The only up-to-date-going concern at Miami Beach with cash in the bank is the Polo Club. I think we have several hundred dollars in the bank. What are we going to do with it? I hate to be annoyed with money in the bank.

Personally

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January 2nd, 1920.

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

Dear Frank :

Am sorry that I should have caused you so much trouble : am also sorry that you had to make it necessary to make such an elaborate apology. It was a very stronghearted thing for you to do. After this you mustn't pay so much attention to my hot temper and cussing spells.

However, I believe it may have done some good if you have gotten rid of the damned fool who put this in your paper. Such a man around your place isn't safe and might some time get you into a heavy damage suit.

We have some half-page and page advertisements for your paper in the next few days. Tell your advertising man to come over and see me and I will make arrangements so that he can handle this stuff without making it necessary for me to write or O.K. all the copies.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

THE MIAMI HERALD
MIAMI, FLORIDA

January 5, 1920.

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

Dear Carl:

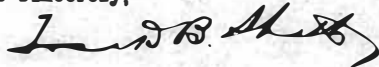
Thank you for your letter of the 2nd.

In view of the fact that if I had been trying to do the worst thing I could think of to my very worst enemy, I couldn't have done worse than what the Herald did to you, I do not think the apology which I made was at all extravagant. Anyhow, I am glad that matter is all right now. The man who caused the trouble was fired early the next day and left town right away

I am asking our Advertising Manager to get into communication with you regarding your advertisements, which I very much appreciate.

While I am writing, I desire to thank you for your invitation to go to Bimini yesterday. On account of the weather, I do not know whether you want or not, but it was impossible for me to accept because of the fact that my old Indiana law partner, Judge George E. Downey, now one of the Judges of the United States Court of Claims, with Mrs. Downey, came to visit us yesterday, and I must give all the time I can get away from the office to their entertainment.

Yours sincerely,



FBS/hs.

August 16th, 1920.

Polk

Mr. Theo. J. Pancoast,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Pancoast:-

I have yours of the 15th. If J. M. Lumma has quit drinking he wouldn't make such a bad city manager at that. I got a letter from him some time ago and he said that he had only two ~~quarts~~ of whiskey in a year. This is a pretty good record for him or any man who has had as much as he has had in the past. You stay away from the job and certainly we don't want Van Doren bothering with it. He has a regular job with us keeping books and we want him to stay on this job. If we get good people on the council as you suggest, and by attending the meetings we will probably get along all right. I wish I could be down there right now.

Very truly yours,

CGF:EM

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Politics

Aug. 26, 1920

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

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Replying to your letter of the 16th, I am indeed very much pleased that you approve of my action in regard to the announcement that I was not a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor of the City of Miami Beach. As you say J. N. Lummus has some good business ideas if he would only keep sober and keep straight, but that is a pretty hard thing for him to do. The politicians of the South end hold meetings every Monday and Friday nights. Mr. Henning was down to the meeting last Monday night and "oGinnis, who is the Chairman of the meetings, seemed to be quite a little under the weather and charged some of the Councilmen with possessing knowledge in regard to bootlegging which they shut their eyes to, and stated that four of them were present and they could speak for themselves. Mr. Coachman got up and they had quite a hot argument. This is likely to raise a little rumpus in the Camp down there and some of them are going to lose a little ground, which they thought they controlled. We will let it rock along and see how it comes out. James seems to be the man selected for Mayor and while we think he is rather weak yet he may be better than a good many of the others at that.

Yours very truly,

Thos. J. Pancoast
Secy-Treas.

Personally

September 16th, 1920.

Governor John M. Parker,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

My dear Mr. Governor :

My attention has just been called to a statement which you made recently before Union agitators - and I want, from this considerable distance, to congratulate you upon your policy, on the square English statement you made to the men, and upon your view of right and wrong.

I have just gone thru a seven months argument with Unions at Miami, Florida. The Unions, with their coercion and their manipulation of affairs at Miami, have cost me a good many hundred thousand dollars. Our argument was not one of wages but entirely one, from the Union standpoint, of being able to direct who should work in the City of Miami and who should not work. We have finally completed our buildings but, as stated, at a great many sacrifices and at heavy expense as a result of Union propaganda.

In my estimation, complete Union control of even 25 to 30% of the cities in the United States would in a short time lead to very serious and far-reaching troubles for this country.

Again allow me to congratulate you upon the stand you have taken, and beg to remain

Very truly yours,

CGP:R

Indianapolis, Indiana.

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NEW YORK, N. Y. December 29, 1920

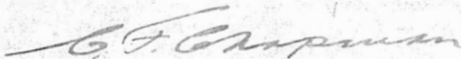
Mr. Carl Fisher,
Alton Beach Realty Co.,
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Fisher:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I have just written to Mr. Greening. You will see that I have requested that he send the Fisher Trophy to you, this to be delivered not later than February 3rd, 1921. Is this O K?

What is doing in reference to the coming race meet? I have been shooting you numerous letters for the last month but have not received one "peep" from you. Time is getting short. There are many details which must be taken care of by your Miami Committee of which you are aware, I am sure. Why not put a bomb under someone?

Very truly yours,



Personality

January 4th, 1929.

Mr. C. F. Chapman,
American Power Boat Association,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Chapman :

Replying to yours of the 29th regarding the foreign aviation motors :
My idea of the situation is that if the foreigners make better engines than we do, they are entitled to beat us - and possibly we can find out their best points, make better engines ourselves and turn around and beat them. If we, in the automobile business, had never allowed the foreigners to compete in this country we wouldn't have an automobile today with half the endurance, half the ability that we do have, as a result of copying some of the best foreign progress.

I don't like to put up a cup, or rather half interest in a cup, for Open Competition, and then limit it to American manufactured engines. The American manufacturer has nothing whatever to fear from the foreigner and a great deal to learn. Almost every delicate and high speed point in American engines has been in some manner or other copied from foreign engines. I dislike very much to stand in the way of this cup going thru, but I certainly would prefer to withdraw from the proposition rather than to offer the Cup only for American engines and to bar out all foreigners. If a foreigner could build me a boat engine that I thought better than I could get in the United States, I certainly would buy it, and with this engine I would be in hopes that I could nag our American manufacturers to equal it.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Gar Wood - and am expecting Wood down here within the next week. I don't know just how we can straighten this matter out as he seems to have a strong viewpoint of his own and I have the same kind. Ordinarily I would offer to match him to see which of us would come over to the other side - but in this particular instance I don't think this is the proper thing to do.

Our races at Indianapolis would be absolutely nothing without the foreigners - and I believe our Race at Indianapolis is worth while considering. Automobile engineers from all over the United States come to Indianapolis just to see the foreign cars and get new ideas - and certainly we need new ideas in new points of construction on marine motors more than we do in automobile engines.

Mr. Gar Wood's greatest fame and prestige as an American sportsman came from going to England and racing against foreign manufacturers - and just why he should he should refuse to race against them here in this country, I don't understand. However, he will be down here in a few days and I can talk with him then.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

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Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Fisher:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I have just written to Mr. Greening. You will see that I have requested that he send the Fisher Trophy to you, this to be delivered not later than February 3rd, 1921. Is this O K?

What is doing in reference to the coming race meet? I have been shooting you numerous letters for the last month but have not received one "peep" from you. Time is getting short. There are many details which must be taken care of by your Miami Committee of which you are aware, I am sure. Why not put a bomb under someone?

Very truly yours,

C. F. Chapman

Pet.

April 30th, 1931.

Mr. Charles A. Bookwalter,
Bookwalter-Ball Printing Company,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Book :

I have yours of the 16th and I will agree with most everything you say. You have probably been told a good many times that whiskey isn't good for the system and you probably know that whiskey isn't good for the system - but I take it for granted that this doesn't keep you from taking a drink now and then. The fact that I may be killed some of these days playing polo doesn't stop me from playing - and I am going to continue to play polo just as long as I can stay on a horse. I don't know that there is a great deal of difference in being killed at the age of 48, 58 or 68, if you enjoy yourself while you are living. Besides, to offset the element of danger there is in playing polo (and it isn't as great as some people think) there is a wonderful enthusiasm about polo that keeps you up and I think makes you keener for your other jobs. It takes your mind off worries and keeps you from thinking how old you really are.

Now regarding the Pier : I have heard a lot of talk about the Pier but it isn't the kind of talk that excites us. When a promoter comes around and talks of enlisting the aid of the Women's Club for writing the By-laws of the Pier, we don't get greatly excited. I am making you a bet right now, Old Timer, of a hat against a cigaret, that this man from Louisville never builds a Pier here, in Louisville, or in West Point, or any place - for it isn't on the books that a man can build a Pier and depend upon all the Womens' Clubs, Civic Clubs, Elks Clubs, etc, for its policy. Certainly we would be very glad to have him build a Pier over here and have him pay for it himself, but we don't want to build the Pier ourselves, pay for it ourselves and then lease it to him.

We are after a population over here of people who can build their own homes - and we are making considerable progress. When we sell one home site like we sold, for instance, to Talbott, this one sale equals the sale of seventy such lots as they sell in 'Brooklands New Subdivision' - 'Cresplands New Subdivision' - 'Joylands New Subdivision' - etc. We have a subdivision where lots are worth \$3000 and we have sold a few of these to home owners. They are a very desirable class of citizens. We could easily sell all of our property if we would reduce the price to \$900 and sell it one dollar down and a dollar a month, and we could have 60% of the people who would buy our lots construct homes on which mortgages are foreclosed, and 30% who buy these lots never make more than the third payment.

There is a lot about the selling of real estate that you do know and a hell-of-a-lot that you don't know, or at least if you do know, you don't seem to tie it up with our property here. We are figuring now with several people on very big schemes, any one of which if they do go thru (and certainly

Mr. Charles A. Bookwalter. #2. April 20th, 1921.

one of the several will go thru) will mean a great deal to the future of Miami Beach. In the meantime, we sold about a half as much property this season as we sold last.

I will be up North about the first of May and I hope I will see you at that time.

Yours -

CCF:R



April 30, 1921.

Politics

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

Dear Sir:-

Since our conversation a few days ago I have been consulting various political leaders, and I am of the opinion that it will be absolutely impossible to accomplish anything at this time: In the first place we have commenced on this movement too late, because the Florida Legislature is now in session and with an awful lot of business piled up, we would not be able to get a bill through. this session of the Legislature.

I was not at home during the last political election, but I find that there was a good deal of feeling among a number of my friends on both sides that I did not know about until the last day or two. In other words, political factions that worked together on the causeway would now work against any movement of this kind, on account of a big roar from the tax payers.

A great many of our voters throughout the county have not had the usual success this year from a financial standpoint.

I have in mind another scheme, however, that might work, in which there would be no political connection with it. I will go into this matter just as early as I can get some parties together. However, on account of the general condition I do not know that anything can be worked out along that line.

I am at my office in Miami every day now and if there is anything I could do for you phone me at any time. I do not want to tackle anything that I could not carry through, and I am satisfied we could not do this at the present time; as you see, the municipality is not in favor of doing anything, even if it had the bonding capacity.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. N. Lummus", written over a horizontal line.

JNL/L

July
15th
1921

Mr. E. C. Romfn, Pres.,
First National Bank,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Ed:

I have your very insulting letter of the 8th - what E. W. Howe and Bobo Dean said about me as a polo rider I will not soon forget. Jack LaGorce claims that I sprained my ankle getting out of the National City Bank in New York for fear they would send a messenger and cancel the loan that I had made. Be that as it may, my ankle is nearly well and I will be riding again next week and I don't have to be tied on!

I told Humpage to fight shy of you on this bank business. The first thing we know you will have us running this bank and this is a business that we know nothing about - and don't want to learn.

Incidentally, I saw L. A. Young in Detroit day before yesterday - he will be down the 1st of November and will open up a nios account with the bank.

I wired you congratulating you on the entire ticket being elected. This is the best thing that has happened in Miami for a long time. If you think it will do any good you might put a page ad in the Metropolis and sign my name to it.

I hope you will block that pier deal - it doesn't look very good from what I can read in the paper about it. Particularly, a deal now without blue-prints, specifications, and drawings is a rather risky one.

I suppose that Bobo is satisfied now - I can see him sitting in that office of his pulling one lone whisker, and handing out quite a smile to all callers. Too bad Bobo wasn't a poker player instead of an editor.

John Levi is here this week laid up with the heat. He is getting to be as big a liar as everybody else that lives in Miami. He says that he has never seen such hot weather in his life.

We are going to have a big season down there this year in spite of hard times. So many people are having so much trouble up North to finance themselves that they are getting desperate and they want to go away for a while and forget it. I am number one on the latter list.

Colonel Silvan is visiting us today. His polo team made quite a hit down in Washington and incidentally they beat the Army team a couple of games. It is only 100° in the shade today - regular Cuba weather. I have one bottle of Pibardy rum buried in a pasture and I am going to dig it up and entertain the Cuban army with it this afternoon.

Yours for shorter working hours, - shorter skirts - and shorter interest paying periods, -- -



UNITED STATES DEPOSITARY

E. C. ROMFH
PRESIDENT

The First National Bank

CAPITAL \$ 150,000.00 SURPLUS AND PROFITS \$ 100,000.00

Miami, Fla.

Continuation Sheet #2
Carl G. Fisher - July 8, 1921.

going ahead directing the same. We will finance it.

Business here, all things considered, is pretty good. We are having a pretty hot election and I seem to be the storm center. If elected, I will try to do the best I can, though I think it will take about two years to straighten out the mess the city is in now. I should be most delighted if I am fortunate enough to run first on the tail end of the ticket. In this way I think my good friends will let me alone with politics.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours
Carl G. Fisher

ECR:F



Hotel

Pontchartrain.

FRANK W. HARRIMAN,
MANAGING DIRECTOR.

Room to
Detroit

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Dear Mr. Fisher: -

after a day's search
I will say there "aint no sich
animal" as an office in
Detroit. I visited the Vinton
Building first and Mr. Deacon
said they had rented all of
that floor and needed more.
He gave me list of desirable
buildings and I visited all of
them with the same success.
all have waiting lists for
months.

I went to Bement and he knew
of no office rooms so we went
to the office of his building
which is way out on Wood-
ward Ave. and they said



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MANAGING DIRECTOR.

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Detroit, _____

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they had no space and knew
of none. They called up all
their business acquaintances
and had no luck.

met Gil at lunch and he
directed me to a friend who
rents the Real Estate Ex-
change across the street
north of Pontchartrain. He
had nothing but said there
was a probable vacancy
of 1100 sq. feet which he
would not know about
until Saturday. This rents for
\$188⁰⁰ per month. Rents run
from \$2.00 per sq. ft. per
annum to \$3⁵⁰ with none



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at any price.

Kotcher's son put me in touch with a Mr. Cary who has rented the ground floor at Griswold and Congress. He is remodeling it and asks \$400⁰⁰ for $\frac{1}{2}$ (inside room) which is not desirable.

Saw our attorneys in Majestic Building and they said they could get us fixed up but all they have there is a very poor room on second floor at \$148⁰⁰ per month, an extra charge being made for large window. It



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is not at all desirable.

I have asked all I know to try and see what they can do and have inserted an ad in paper to see what we can get.

This office situation is not as bad as housing situation here. Thousands of families are without homes so if you contemplate coming here it would be well to begin early for housing facilities.

I am leaving now for Purdy's.

Yours respectfully,

F. O. Vanderveer

C.W. KOTCHER LUMBER CO.

LUMBER AND FINISH



NORTH YARD, CONANT AND HOLBROOK AVES.

MAIN OFFICE AND PLANT 639-649 GRATIOT AVE.

DETROIT, MICH. October Sixth,
1919.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Carl:-

Albertine called me up on the 'phone yesterday at the house, and stated that you were not meeting with very much success in getting a suitable office here in Detroit. I was not talking to Mr. VanDeren as I did not see him, and if you will drop me a line and let me know just what VanDeren found in the way of an office, and if not satisfactory I will see what I can do.

I am sending you under separate cover today, a copy of the D.A.C. news which contains a list of all the members with their addresses. I thought probably that a campaign in a mild form among the membership of the D.A.C. might bring some returns for your Miami property. It might be advisable to send a circular to each of them and with a return card if they would be interested in knowing about Southern property you would be glad to send the information to them. I appreciate the fact that the telephone directory which I checked over for you would be quite incomplete although I feel sure that a great many of the names that are marked on there would be interested.

I am also enclosing with same package as the D.A.C. News, by parcels post, some literature that I recently received here from the American Power-Boat Association to the writer as Secretary of the Miami Beach Yacht Club. I presume Mr. Van Deren has taken care of the details of this. If there is anything I can do further, do not fail to let me know.

I have about made up my mind to fit out my house at Miami and live there myself this winter and have all the comforts of home. I do not believe my family will go down and I do not care to knowk around like I did last winter in Miami with no good home to go to.

Personal

October 9th, 1919.

Commodore Chas. W. Ketcher,
639 Gratiot Avenue,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Commodore :

I have yours of the 6th : I agree with you that there is a wonderful field in Detroit and we are going to work hard up there for a couple of months and see what happens. Your lists will help us greatly. I don't want to be responsible for Hart running an automobile. An automobile means, if he is working for us, that we will be liable for anybody he kills - and I don't know whether he can run an automobile or not. Let him hop on to street cars for a couple of months, anyway.

Jim, as you know, is going ahead with his engines. They are much heavier than the Liberty and will weigh about 3200 pounds - but they are regular motors and will stand up in salt water work. The Liberty Motor is not at all adaptable to be used in salt water. I have not a doubt that these Liberty's, if properly rebuilt for light work, will stand up under reasonable demands.

We have given up the idea of getting an office in Detroit this year. There doesn't seem to be anything to get there, and possibly Albertine can get all of our lists thru from Indianapolis within a couple of months so that she can come down to Miami later in the Winter. I did think, however, that there were so many good prospects in Detroit that I would be glad to have an office there for first hand information - but we have now given up this plan.

I am delighted to know that you are thinking of fitting out your house at Miami and living there yourself this Winter. You have one of the finest places there, with the best location, and you won't need a boat because the rest of us have plenty of boats.

I thought that I might run up, leaving here Saturday or Sunday night, to see you and have a talk with you regarding those treatments. I want to see Purdy anyway, and possibly Dr. Aaron there in Detroit can look me over and see if I need the same thing you did. Write me a letter and tell me more about what they found wrong with you, how they treat you, what they actually do to you to make you feel like a new man, etc. I feel like a twelve year old right now but I want to feel like a nine year old.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

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Yours very truly,

CGF:R

Personal

December 23rd, 1919.

Mr. John Hennessey,
2232 Broadway,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear John :

I have a letter from Doc Humes : He said he started to kick you around the other day and you wouldn't stand for it - that you almost turned him upside down. That's alright for you to handle Doc that way - but don't ever try it on your Uncle Dudley.

I have told him to have a talk with you and pick out two or three pair of the right kind of shoes that will fit you - and have you wear only that kind of a shoe. If you don't take care of these ankles now and do something for them, you are going to regret it all the rest of your life - and I am tired talking to you about it. I want you to go down with Doc Humes and let him pick out the right kind of shoes - and then wear nothing else.

Write to me.

Yours -

CGF:R

party at Beach

Dec. 27, 1919.

F. L. Moore,
Indianapolis,
Ind.

Dear Frank:-

I should be censured for not writing you sooner but this has been a mad house since arrival this time and have not had time to answer your letters. I am enclosing herewith check to pay the freight on the asphalt you put in as experimental work at Indianapolis. Just received this check this morning.

As to sale of the Mars Hill Lots. We want to sell them all at one time in order to close out the account so you had better tell Collingsworth that if he wants any he will have to take all and then make him a deal on the lot. I would say to go ahead on those he wants but he has selected the best lots and would leave those that would be a constant expense and drag for the next century so the only way is to sell them all. Now in order to do this you tell him you will sell them to him on contract basis and will agree to deed any lot at any time he wants to pay any particular lot out and accept as first payment on the deal, the amount of money he wanted to pay for the first five and tell him that is the best way to do and the only way to put it over and if he does not want to do that then make a deal with the real estate company that wanted them all on the best basis you can. On the Collingsworth deal we can retain the stock can't we? Or does he get it? I forget if I told him about it.

It is too late to wish you and yours a Merry Xmas but I can wish

you a Happy New Year and many of them which makes up for my negligence in the Xmas. matter.

We have had a hot Xmas. but a very pleasant one. For the past week it has been rather cold but the days are splendid and warm but the nights are cool. It must have been cold up North or out west to give us this weather. To-day it is superb and we feel fit after a very damp celebration.

Xmas. eve Mrs. Fisher gave a party to all the residents of the Beach in the Indoor Tennis Building and it was a huge success. They had a huge tree beautifully lighted and had gifts for all the children who came. It was a fine affair.

This is a hell hole of work but the most beautiful place I ever saw, which makes up to a certain extent for the work one has to do. We have a great organization (?) and there is nothing to do till to-morrow but work your dam head off to get through. It looks like a big year but nothing to crow about to date although much better than last year.

With best wishes, I am

sincerely yours,

REO MOTOR CAR COMPANY

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R. E. OLDS, President
R. H. SCOTT, V. Pres. & Man.
D. E. BATES, Secy. & Treas.
H. T. THOMAS, Chief Engineer
F. H. AKERS, Sales Mgr.
G. E. SMITH, Purchasing Mgr.
H. C. TEEL, Factory Supt.

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INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

July 19, '20.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Indianapolis,
Ind.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letters to Mr. Olds and Mr. Akers concerning trouble you have had with back firing in our motor. As I understand the matter the motor does not stop firing when you throw off the switch. I would say in regard to this, if you will close the throttle before throwing off the switch, we believe your trouble will be overcome. Some motors act differently and it sometimes happens that a particle of carbon, a sharp point of iron or ragged gasket will cause this difficulty, although nothing that would be considered serious.

We will be pleased to learn of the findings of the Allison Company in regard to our pistons. As stated above, however, we have had no trouble along this line that would indicate anything serious.

Thanking you for your interest in this matter, we remain,

Yours very truly,
REO MOTOR CAR COMPANY

HTT-H

BOND
HAMMERMILL
Mary

1921

to Detroit?

L. A. YOUNG
DETROIT

Personal

Oct. 15, 1920

My dear Carl:

I have today received a telegram from Jess as follows: "Shipping horses today Man will call your office when he arrives at Detroit They look like a thousand a head." Jess is sure some good little horse salesman. I will say that for him. He has the pep. I hope the horses back him up and we can clean them up quickly. It reminds me of the good old days when I was on the stock farm handing out this kind of chatter every day.

You know I have been thinking an awful lot of your proposed plan at Grosse Isle. At first it did not seem to appeal to me at all. I thought you were tackling an impossibility, and further, something that would not have a very firm foundation. But the more I think about it the more I see that you certainly have a very clever idea.

I went to the trouble of going over the ground alone and it did not take very much imagination to draw a picture of a duplicate of Miami Beach on a smaller scale, which in my estimation would be just as attractive to a lot of people for the summer months as Miami is to a lot of people for the winter months. In fact, the same people could and would most likely enjoy both places. The fact that this place would be a night's ride with capital railroad service from New York, Chicago, Boston, and Cleveland, would allow a man to leave in the evening and eat his breakfast at Grosse Isle and have train service that would be as comfortable as his own home. And with polo, golf, swimming, boating, tennis and entertaining it seems to me that it would be about the last word in a play ground for the summer months.

L. A. YOUNG

DETROIT

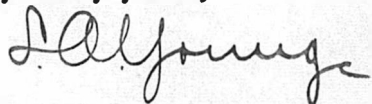
There is one matter that perhaps you do not know of that has been the cause of a lot of people not considering Grosse Isle seriously. That is the effect that the Solvay Company has on the proposition. On the west side of the Island, the water is stagnant, polluted and generally very bad owing to the refuse from the Solvay. But on the side where you contemplate working it is free from this and I do not think it would be much of a task to force the Solvay to discontinue polluting the stream the way they do on the west side of the Island.

When you get to the point where you are really serious and going to work on this, I know of a wonderful place on the Isle not far from where your operations will be going on that you can buy right and very cheap. At least I think you can. It is a place very much on the order of what you would, I believe, build. If you are coming this way I would be very glad to give you information regarding it. The place is not offered for sale but I happen to know some inside stuff and I believe the place could be bought. When your plans were fully developed this place would sell for double what you would have to pay for it now.

If I have presumed too much, just merely consider that it is over enthusiasm, and as stated to you, I for one would be willing to build a place that would not lessen the popularity of your play ground any.

Very truly yours,

LAY-C



October 20th, 1920.

Mr. L. A. Young,
c/o L. A. Young Industries, Inc.,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Young :

Replying to yours of the 15th : I am writing to Jess and telling him what you say about the cattle. He has a man out now, picking up these cattle, and expects to ship them about the middle of November. There is no particular reason why the cattle should be down there before the first of December.

I talked to a man from Chicago the other day who is going to buy four polo ponies from Miller.

I am sorry the mare's mane had been clipped - but she certainly is some mare, isn't she? She was beautifully schooled - or seemed to be - last Winter. Possibly since they have been using her to a buggy she has lost these tricks.

I will tell Jess to drop you a note right away on the cow situation. A hundred and ninety a head looks alright for good cows.

Yours very truly,

OGF:R

OGF:R

COPY.

Personal

January 4, 1921

Lloyds' Register of American Yachts,
17 Battery Place,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I enclose a colored sketch of the official burgee of the Miami Beach Yacht Club, a newly formed yacht club of Miami, Florida, of which Carl G. Fisher is Commodore. Will you be good enough to enter this design in your records for publication in the next issue of the Lloyds' Register of American Yachts.


Very truly yours,



Business Manager.

CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
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Day Letter	Blue
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Night Letter	N L
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H A TAYLOR.

Tele. No. MB 331
 Mrs. Rosseter
 1044 am
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WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM



NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

Receiver's No.
Check
Time Filed

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

March 23rd, 1921.

Mr. H. A. Taylor,
c/o Mason, Hotel,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Doing all we can here. Letter follows to Youngstown.

Carl G. Fisher.

Prepaid.

March 23rd, 1931.

Mr. H. A. Taylor,
Youngstown, Ohio.

Dear Hal :

Have just had a talk with the lawyer, who is going to call at the Fidelity Bank and see if our check has been cashed. Stuart called me up early this morning and I told him to get Smediger on the job at once - but I have been afraid that the chauffeur might wire the Washington authorities as he has threatened to do if payment was stopped on the check. This would get you into more serious trouble at the other end than the loss of the money.

Stuart told me that he had wired you to dispose of any liquor, but I was afraid that you might not have received this telegram. If I receive a telegram from you this afternoon that you have disposed of this liquor, then it will be easier to stop payment on the check. Otherwise, the case grows more intricate.

Not being a Solomon, I don't know just what to do except to play safe and anticipate what you have done, which would be easy if I knew where to reach you, or if you answer Stuart's telegram.

One final word of advice : After this, don't trust a chauffeur with any information.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

March 21st, 1921.

My dear Hal :

It occurred to me this morning that before you make arrangements to come down here next year you might want to have a house to move into - and just now we have quite a number of houses on our hands that have not been moving quite as rapidly this season on account of the financial difficulties all over the country. Ordinarily we would sell all the houses we have in three weeks time but, as stated, this season has been backward.

We would like very much to have you and Mary live here and be a part of our colony - and particularly I would like to have you take advantage of some of the houses we are going to sell. We built some of these houses at the high price of labor and the high price of materials - but that need make no difference in your case. I will take, for instance, any house we have and sell it to you at 20% loss than it cost us.

If you are in the market for a house, now is the time to get it - and we will take care of it and have it ready for you next year. If you are not in the market for a house just forget this letter - come down next year and live in the Hotel, on a houseboat or camp out, whatever you want to do. We will be glad to see you any way, no matter where you live - but if you are thinking at all about a house, let me do some tall figuring with you before you go North.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

Mr. Harold Taylor,
Royal Palm Hotel,
Miami, Florida.

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March
28th
1921

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
c/o Alton Beach Realty Co.,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Carl:

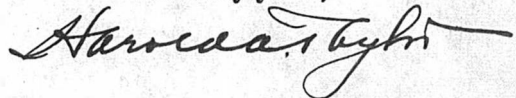
I am in receipt of yours of the 23rd. I wish to thank you for your help in this matter and trust that you have not been inconvenienced.

I failed to receive Stuart's wire, however I received one from Phil Wick and followed his instructions by destroying the evidence. I was not very much afraid by what the chauffeur would do as he acted as agent in obtaining anything that we had and of course would be just as liable to prosecution. However we had a very exciting journey all through Florida and poor Marg was in a fever of excitement throughout the entire journey.

I placed all necessary papers in Snedigar's hands so believe that we will obtain a compromise.

Thanking you again for your efforts in my behalf and with kindest regards to Jane and yourself, I remain,

Sincerely yours,



HAT:P.

March 25th, 1921.

Mr. James Couzens,
Mayor of Detroit,
Michigan.

Dear Mr. Couzens :

I had a little talk with Gus Schantz the other day about the Detroit property - and I am enclosing you herewith a blueprint showing the lay-out and copy of a letter from our agents in Detroit, which should give you an idea of the price for which the property could be purchased now, or rather, the property next to Olds'.

I am thoroly posted as to what is necessary to do in developing this into the finest piece of residential property in the City of Detroit. I think, after the property has been acquired, that the work can be well done for \$1,500,000.00, which would include a small hotel, two good polo fields, some tennis courts, a small yacht club, and a first class swimming pool. This would also include sufficient roads and the necessary dredging to put the property on the market. There should be a profit of something like two and a half million dollars on this piece of property in about six or seven years.

The main reason that I am interested in the property and want to see its development, is that I want outdoor work in the Summer time in the North. I must leave Indianapolis on account of Hay Fever, and I must be able, if Hay Fever attacks me, to get on my boat and get away. If we had had an ordinary business season here this year I would be able to handle the entire transaction myself without asking for any additional assistance or stockholders, but as the matter stands now, I can commence to do no development work until either friends who will come right along with me or additional stockholders have been secured to take on the additional load.

Our average price per acre that we get for our improved lands here is about \$20,000.00. I consider the price of this land to be very reasonable, all things considered - the location and the fact that it is already connected with some few improvements that would be valuable to the whole scheme of development.

There is enough wealth in Detroit to sell all of this property to local people. We would not depend very much upon the attraction to outside investors. The price of this property would be the most reasonable water frontage anywhere around Detroit, and the residential feature would be thporly first class.

I would like to have you consider the matter and let me know right away if you would be interested, as I have two or three other people in mind

May 16th, 1921.

Mr. R. E. Olds,
Lansing, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Olds :

I expected to be in Detroit this week but find it necessary to go to New York where I am trying to make arrangements for a good sized loan to carry my building program thru this year at Miami Beach. Unless I am able to make this loan in New York, I am going to have very great difficulty in carrying thru the proposed program with you on the Grosse Ile property.

I have interested to a considerable extent two other parties in this Grosse Ile program, and have offered to turn the entire options and plans over to them to go thru with ; they are now working on the financial part of the plan and have advised me that within the next thirty days they will be able to tell me if they can raise sufficient funds to take up your property as well as the other property and go ahead with the plan outlined. I have offered to carry my share with them and have suggested that I that you might be willing to increase somewhat your share. Just now it is physically impossible for me to get sufficient funds to go ahead with this program myself.

I have approximately twelve to fifteen dollars assets and about two million liabilities, and I am really finding great difficulty in financing myself to take care of my interests and bills payable without sacrificing too much some of my very best holdings.

I have not lost any faith in the Detroit plan, and I am sure if the matter can be dragged along for another year that it can be put thru in splendid shape.

Please drop me a note at Indianapolis on receipt of this letter - and I will try and see you the early part of next week in Detroit.

Yours very truly,

GGF:R

July
19th
1921

Mr. Oscar Daniels,
Woolworth Building,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Daniels:

I have your letter of the 13th - am sorry that you will not be able to stop here for a day on your way South. I wanted particularly to talk with you about a very fine piece of property on Grosse Isle, which is eighteen miles south and west of Detroit.

Part of this property is low but it is a very easy fill, and offers some very unusual possibilities. I have had an option for over a year on six hundred acres for \$350,000.00. There is an additional four hundred acres, however, that should be purchased which will cost about \$400,000.00. The two pieces of property will give about four miles of water front and at a very low estimate. This water front property will sell readily at \$150.00 per front foot with the improvements made which I have in mind, and which will cost about \$400,000.00 additional. In other words, \$1,200,000.00 will complete the property. I have one friend who will invest \$200,000.00, and I, myself, am prepared to carry along \$350,000.00

I am very anxious to live in Detroit in the summer time from this time on. Indianapolis is too hot and I have hay fever here during August and September. I could not be satisfied in a place to live that is not somewhat in keeping with the surroundings of Miami Beach and the property which I refer to is almost identically the same except that the dredging, of course, would be hardly worth comparison with the job we have done at the Beach. I had intended to purchase this property and do the job myself, but funds have been slack this year and may be the same for another year or two and I don't want to tackle Detroit by myself at this time. I have owned property in and around Detroit for several years and I am familiar with the values there and I don't know of any other piece of property in America that would work out in the same manner that this piece will. There should be two or three million dollars profit in the proposition most of which can be gotten back in three years.

I am sending you a map showing the property I refer to and I am taking a long chance that you might be interested, if not, just return the map and forget it and I will cast around among three or four other people I know who have had experience in dredging work and understand the possibilities of same. I have driven over almost every square mile of property within forty miles of Detroit and with the work I had in mind, completed, there is no residential property any place around Detroit that will compare with this piece of property. Just the same as there is no other piece of property in the entire state of Florida that will compare with Miami Beach.

Grosse Isle is already beautifully developed and has at least ten million dollars worth of improvements, including fine houses, fine concrete roads, golf club, etc., but the most beautiful part of the entire property is undeveloped for the reason that the banks run into soft sands and grass. You can see from the map how easy it would be to straighten this property up and what an unusual amount of shore line would be reclaimed. You will notice Elba Island, which is the home of R. E. Olds. He has one of the finest houses in Michigan on the island. Hickory Island is already subdivided and well built up with moderately priced houses. The option I have from Olds is for all of that property marked Olds on the map, for \$350,000 or about \$500.00 an acre. All of the adjoining property can be had at an average price of about \$300.00 per acre, which price I consider very cheap.

About half the property is covered with beautiful trees and the only work necessary for a high grade development is to reclaim the banks and bulldoze them - put in the roads - a couple of polo fields - and a small hotel. At the present time there are over seventeen hundred owners of boats around Detroit who have no place to keep their boats - in some instances the rental for a boat house will quite exceed a thousand dollars per year and then only on five year leases. For a total distance of eighteen miles the Detroit water front is worth and sells for all of the prices from \$80.00 to \$3,000.00 per front foot.

Detroit is growing larger faster than any other city in the world, not excepting New York City. More than three million dollars profit is poured into the city of Detroit every working day and as long as people use automobiles these profits will continue to pour into Detroit.

The size of this job is the only reason it has not been handled long ago but it is really only in the last two years that any reclaiming work has been done in Detroit.

If you are at all interested in the matter, I will be glad to go into further details with you and in the mean time do not let any of these letters amuse you. I must go to Detroit to live and I don't want to live any other place except on Grosse Isle if I can help it and I do want to live where I can have some polo fields, some swimming pools, and meet people who are alive and happy and able to eat three square meals every day. Aside from the profit in this property, I would thoroughly enjoy seeing it one of the beautiful spots of America and it is so easy to accomplish that I am surprised somebody hasn't tackled the job a long time ago.

Yours,

Personal

Indianapolis, Ind.,
Aug. 27, 1921

Mr. Hal Talbott,

My dear Hal:

I am having a perfectly horrible time with my hay fever, and I have thoroughly made up my mind that I can't possibly go through another season in this climate. Jim has been talking some about moving some place on Long Island and combining the Purdy Boat Company and his engine company so that we can have a little something to do and not rust out. Times are so hard right now that Jim feels that he can not do anything this year, and he has about a million dollars in his place so its going to be hard for him to sell it. Its going to be much easier for me to sell my place, in fact, I already have one very good inquiry. I received a letter from Heckscher regarding the hundred acres where his father lives, and I have asked him for prices etc., and it is probably a great deal more than I can pay. I don't want to get a place where I can not loan, and I will not buy unless I can buy at a bargain.

We have had submitted by Ladd & Nichols of Greenwich, Conn. what seems to be an attractive place and understand can be bought at about \$125,000. Its about the right size place and on the Connecticut shore and in a very fine locality, and I thought if you were going to be down in New York next week I would try and run down for a couple of days and take a look at it. It would be interesting to know why Heckscher left Huntington Bay and moved over by Westberry, and would also like to have just a little dope as to whether or not the Conn. shore isn't the most desirable. Perhaps you could make a few light inquiries among some of your friends and get some real dope.

We are having a good many inquiries regarding Miami and I believe this season will be unusually good. We have an inquiry from the Fiscal Agent of the Miami and Tampa Railway Company for further information regarding

terminal facilities at the Beach. I wish there was some way to get this information to the Florida East Coast Co. as it might awaken them up to the fact that they are possibly foolish and childish for not purchasing the property which I offered them when I was down there with you.

I haven't heard from Humpage as to how much we will need to carry us through, but expect to get this information within the next ten days. We are doing some little business with very good prospects for the winter, but I don't seem to be able to interest anybody in the big deals. St. Johns wants to see me in Detroit Tuesday. I don't know whether he wants to try and cash in his notes or tell me that he can't keep up his payments as per schedule on the Casino but I will know the worst Tues.

What do you know about financial conditions in the east and the possibility of our getting another three or four hundred thousand dollars if we have to have that much?

Very truly yours,

CGF:DLC

Sept. 26th, 1921.

Mr. Fred. J. Appel,
500 Fletcher Sav. & Tr. Bldg.,
Indianapolis.

Personal

My dear Fred:

What do you think of writing a form letter describing my property to some thirty or forty wealthy people who might want it, in Marion County?

I believe, in order to sell anything, you have to let people know about it. It doesn't embarrass me whatever to say to anybody that I want to sell my home property.

If you will make me out a list of thirty or forty wealthy people who have the funds to purchase it and ones who might want it, I will write them a letter myself and refer them to you as our agents.

Very truly yours,

CGF:EM



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OFFICE OF
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VICE-PRESIDENT

September 28, 1921.

Personal

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Indianapolis, Ind.,

My Dear Carl:

My friend Harold Emmons of the firm of Clark, Emmons, Bryant, Klein & Brown, is desirous of having an interview with you upon some nefarious business or other.

As I don't want to later be called in as a material witness by the district attorney or any other of our agencies for the suppression of crime, I haven't inquired too carefully into what it's all about. I rather suspect it has something to do with run-running, as all the best families seem to be getting interested in this newest and most remunerative of business activities.

In any event, no matter what the nature of the business may be, I am sure you will enjoy meeting Emmons. He is one of the fellows who is helping make the wheels go round in this community.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

H. E. Coffin

October 3rd, 1921.
(Dictated the 1st.)

Mr. H. E. Coffin,
Hudson Motor Car Co.,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Howard:

Your friend, Mr. H. H. Emmons, was in to see me this morning, just after I read your letter. I really was in hopes that you were introducing me to a first class bootlegger. I was terribly disappointed to find out that the only thing he wanted with me was to sell me some property - a large tract of land on Grosse Ile, however, he is a very nice fellow.

We are going to have him out to the polo game this afternoon - and that reminds me! Why don't you come down to Miami Beach this winter and look us over? It is a regular place to get away from the snow and ice and there is a lot to do.

Yours -

CGF:FM

NY office

New York, June 15th, 1922.

Carl G. Fisher, Esq.,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Mr. Fisher:-

In accordance with your suggestion, I have called on Mr. Maurice Hecksher, but found he was not in Town. However, he left word with his associate, a Mr. Taylor, who arranged to show the available space in their building.

I am enclosing you floor plan of their building, on which is indicated some 600 square feet on Southwesterly exposure (the best side of the building, for Summer breezes, etc) While the space at the present time is a very much larger one, the Agents for Mr. Hecksher agreed to divide it, so as to give you this amount. The rental is \$3000. per annum, plus the cost of changing the partitions, - which latter will cost about \$400-\$500 additional. They have another party who is to let them know by next Monday, but Mr. Cushman, of Cushman & Wakefield, Hecksher's agents in the building, said they would hold the space for you until Monday at any rate.

The outlook is very extended; the office is on the 19th floor, and you can see pretty much of the City. This is all the space available in that building, unless you would be satisfied with an office without any outlook. The space for our office space is \$5.00 per foot, whereas for the lower floors (shut in so to speak) is \$4.00 per foot.

If you will wire me, care of the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey, I can arrange for the office, if you decide to go ahead.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Joseph Wheeler

P. S. - Senator Coyle is in Chicago just now, but I talked with him, and he is to let me know if I can see Mrs. Coyle and himself, if I get to Chicago.

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June 20, 1922.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Indianapolis,
Indiana.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

In accordance with your telegram I spent today in New York City looking for office space. I looked through every available building in the so called Forty-Second Street Zone, even went up Fifth Avenue as far as 46th Street (in the Straus Building, where the Hollywood Land and Improvement Company from Miami have spacious offices).

All of the space in Mr. Heckscher's building on the corner of 42nd Street and Madison Avenue is now rented but the suggestion was made, and I think it an excellent one, that we perhaps locate in Mr. Heckscher's new building on Fifth Avenue and 57th Street.

I am enclosing you herewith two floor plans, one for a space on the 20th floor, office #2, which they offer to rent us for \$4,000., and possibly might accept \$3,750. for a five year lease. The other space in this building is really the choicest of all locations in New York City, being either the 23rd or 25th floor, tower of this same building, which would give you a complete floor containing 1925 sq. ft.

I saw Mr. G.M. Heckscher regarding the rental for this space and he said that he felt that the \$15,000. price could be bettered, but that he wished to take this up with his father who is ill at the present time. However, he hopes to have word for us by Thursday of this week when I am to telephone to him. Incidentally, I might say that in talking to Mr. Heckscher's agents it was informally suggested that they were in position to rent this space for \$12,000. per annum and that they would present an offer of \$50,000. for a five year lease. It will doubtless also interest you to know that Mr. Cosden of the Cosden Oil Company have just leased the 24th floor in this same building.

With kind regards,

Very truly yours,

P.S. I will telegraph you on Thursday as to Mr. Heckscher's reply, on rental.

January 16th, 1925.

Biscayne Bay Yacht Club,
Miami, Florida.

Gentlemen:

Will you please accept my resignation from the
Club, and oblige

Yours very truly,

Carl G. Fisher.

CGF-MEC

Port Washington, L.I.
June 16th, 1923.

Bers

Mr. C. W. Chase, Jr.
Miami Beach, Fla.

My dear Peter:

I have yours of the 11th. I note that you have had a very good week in sales.

I am glad to know the weather is remaining good. The summer time isn't usually the best time for developing work at the Beach, but the Lord seems to be on our side this year.

I am lining up some wonderful polo players and horsemen, and while I don't believe I will actually close any business here this summer, but I think that this summer's efforts will be a great deal like those of last year and that the people I get acquainted with and line up here will come down and be heavy buyers, especially if the money market remains good.

Yours,

CGF
MEG

Personal

Mr. Chase: Mr. Fisher wishes the following carried in a quarter page ad in the Herald, Metropolis, Tribune and Miami Life.

TO THE INVESTING PUBLIC OF FLORIDA:

It has been brought to my attention that several real estate companies in different parts of Florida have sold property to investors on the strength of the statement that this property was adjoining property I had purchased or intended to purchase.

There is a great deal of other desirable property in Florida which I am interested in, but up to the present time I do not own any property in Florida except at Miami Beach and in the city of Miami. I do not own any property in Nassau or Cuba and as our development work here will not be finished for sometime I do not expect to purchase property or start any development in other parts of the South for the next several years at least.

(signed)

CARL G. FISHER

Personal
November 20th, 1923.

PERSONAL:

Mr. Henry Ford,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Ford:

Day before yesterday, I was advised that your case with Huff is coming up here in a local court before a jury.

I have had several experiences with jury trials here in this court, and being a Northerner I know something of the conditions and the results; especially, when a man is reputed to have money.

I originally suggested to you the firm of Shotts & Bowen, as the most honorable and reliable firm of lawyers in this part of the country. Mr. Bowen, of this firm, is one of the big legal minds in the State of Florida; however, he is too honest to be your entire representative in front of one of these local juries. Undoubtedly, your case will eventually go to the Supreme Court, but it might be just as well to get off strongly on the first jump, if it is possible to do so, before a local jury.

I don't know just what counsel you have retained here; but we have in town a very strong jury trial lawyer by the name of Judge A. J. Rose, who is head and heels over anybody in the firm of Shotts & Bowen, in a local jury trial. We also have another very strong lawyer in a jury trial, by the name of Judge G. A. Worley, who is particularly strong in making a jury argument; whether he right or wrong.

I don't want you to feel that I am presuming to offer you any advice in your argument with Huff, but I think it is a case that is liable to be dangerous, whether Huff is right or not. I, myself, have been beaten in several cases where the opponent had no right whatever to recover damages; but the fact that I had considerable money and the other people had none had a great deal of an effect on the jury.

I have no love at all for Huff, as he bought a boat from me and then ran it over to Cuba.....in spite of the fact that I have a first mortgage on this boat and have spent four thousand dollars in lawyers fees trying to collect this mortgage, the boat remains in Cuba; and at the end of three years I have not been able to even secure the boat or payment of same.

Page Two --- Mr. Ford.

You can not expect the same fair minded treatment in law suits in this country that you can in Michigan; therefore, I am suggesting for your benefit that you secure, if possible, the services of both Judge Rose and Judge Worley in your case here against Ruff, unless they have been retained by the other side.

One of the lawyers on the other side is entirely unprincipled and very bright and shrewd. He has nothing whatever to lose in the case, and a great deal to gain.

Please consider this matter entirely confidential, and if you are already satisfied with the line-up you have, I will be well satisfied.

You have two very good witnesses here in your defence; and I know of no others.....but, unfortunately, both myself and Mr. Levi, who will testify in your defence, would have very little weight with the ordinary southern jury; especially, if shrewd lawyers had so manipulated things that a part of the jury was sympathetic before the trial began.

I don't like to suggest to Jhutta & Bowen that they retain Rose and Worley, as they are both friends of mine and I don't like to have them feel that while I think they are first-class honorable lawyers that in the country are other lawyers who would be necessary to assist them in handling this case.

I think, I would suggest that with both the lawyers I mention, that an agreement be reached as to their fees, before they are retained; for the reason that either one of them would not hesitate to "soak" you if the amount was left open.

Yours sincerely,

GGF-md

Miami Beach, Fla.

February 16th, 1925.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher

Miami Beach, Fla.

Sir;

We the undersigned have just written to your Chief Of Police to what is going to happen to him if he didnt resign and get out of that office by March 3rd, 1925. we people that live on Miami Beach and we that want to live there are tired and disgusted with the way this dirty snake is carrying on, they are A number of men in Dade County that can take his place and make Miami Beach one of the nicest places in South Florida, Now remember the date and if he is not out of that office by March 3rd, 1925. he alone will not be sorry but you and the Mayor will all so suffer.,

(THE MYSTERIOUSLY GANG).

~~Edna Ball~~

~~██████████~~ FOR THE SHARKEY STRIBLING FIGHT

will let me know

OK

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher

~~Mr. and Mrs. Ed Romph~~

Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Ehrhart

OK

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kiser

Mr. and ~~██████████~~ John Levi

~~Mr. ██████████~~

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. H. Tyndall

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Florence Maloney

OK

Mr & Mrs. Atkins

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Florence Yocum

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Jack Ramsey

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Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Miami, Fla.

Dear Carl:

It seems like a very long time since that night Mrs. Lee and I spent such a pleasant evening in your former home here in Indianapolis.

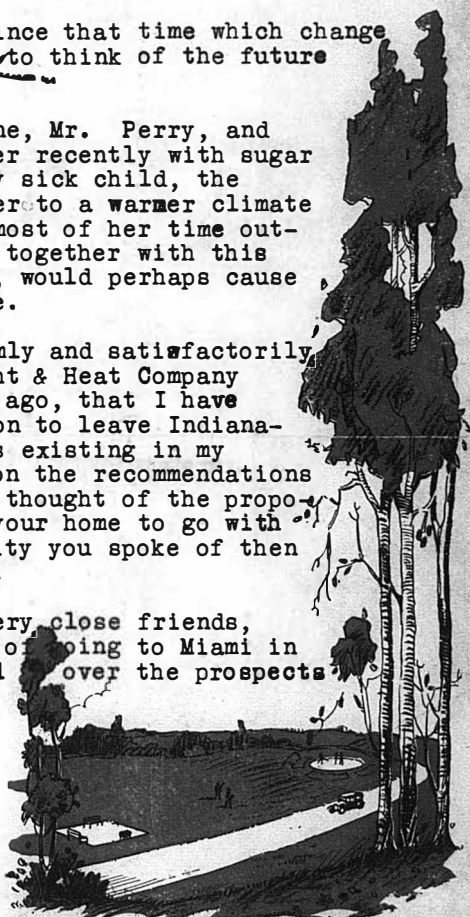
A lot of things have happened since that time which change to some extent our viewpoint of life, and to think of the future in a somewhat different way than before.

Along with the death of Mr. Wynne, Mr. Perry, and Hall Marmon, I also nearly lost my daughter recently with sugar diabetes, and although she has been a very sick child, the doctors now think that if we could take her to a warmer climate for several years, where she could spend most of her time out-of-doors, that the sunshine and warm air, together with this new discovery, Insulin, that she is taking, would perhaps cause her to outgrow the trouble in a short time.

As you know, I have been so firmly and satisfactorily associated here with the Indianapolis Light & Heat Company since I got out of school, eighteen years ago, that I have always turned a deaf ear to any proposition to leave Indianapolis. However, in view of the conditions existing in my family at the present time, and acting upon the recommendations of our daughter's physicians, I naturally thought of the proposition which you made me that evening at your home to go with you to Miami and wondered if the opportunity you spoke of then was still open and if you would advise me.

Incidentally, Carl, two of my very close friends, Howard Adams and Myron Green, are talking of going to Miami in the near future and are very much enthused over the prospects there.

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LT. JOSEPH E. HARDIN

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You, doubtless, will recall both of these boys as they both are real live wires.

Howard Adams and his father-in-law, John Black, were remarking yesterday about entertaining you and a man by the name of Frank Samuels at a fox hunt held on their stock farm down by Mooresville, Indiana, about twenty years ago.

Myron Green, whom you doubtless recall as Bud Green, was Mr. William Fortune's right hand man for several years. He was also secretary of the War-Chest and Red Cross organizations here. They both helped me put over the Indianapolis Athletic Club and I would appreciate your taking a personal interest in them and helping them make good in Miami.

By the way, Carl, speaking of the Athletic Club which is going better every day, you doubtless have heard that Henry Campbell had left Indianapolis and will make his future home in California. It seems as though all of you boys that were such an inspiration in pushing old Indianapolis to the top have gone elsewhere much to the loss of our city. Naturally some of the boys like Green and Adams are anxious to locate where there is a more up and going spirit, and it is only natural that they should desire to go to Miami, and if possible become associated in some manner with you and the big things you are doing there. So anything you can do for them, and any suggestions that you can give me at this time, I assure you will be greatly appreciated by

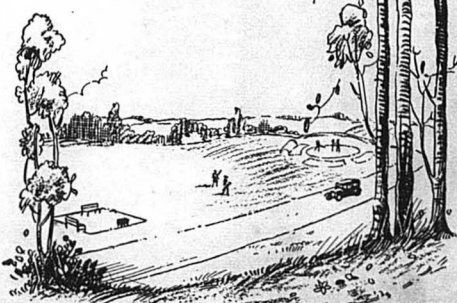
Your old friend,

Wallace O. Lee.

P. S.

Under separate cover I am sending you a history of the Indiana Athletic Club for fear you did not get one last year. W.O.L.

Let's make the Indianapolis Association the Greatest Golf District in the Country! See that you and your club are members of this Association! Individual membership, one dollar; club membership, ten dollars per year.



Pers.

April 27th, 1925.

Mr. Wallace O. Lee,
Indianapolis Athletic Club,
Indianapolis, Ind.

My dear Wallace:-

I have yours of recent date and am glad to hear from you again. This is the biggest town in the world with the most opportunities for a high pressure fellow like yourself. In our own Company we are trying to cut somewhat our organization, as we are practically sold out. However, this need not keep you and Adams and Green from locating here. I will be very glad to give you as much advice as I can, and help you in any way that I can. I am leaving here on the third and will be in Port Washington, Long Island, for most of the summer, although I expect to come back here once or twice during the summer season. I like this country better than any place I have ever seen in my life, and I think if you would look it over you would also be much impressed.

There is more active business doing here than there is in Indiana, Ohio and Illinois combined. We have some five hundred millionaires living in this county and, of course, that brings in a great deal of new money. I am sorry you are not going to get down to look the place over while I am here this spring. If you are down east at any time you can look me up at Port Washington, and I will be very glad to see you.

Give my best regards to Adams and Green.

Yours,

CGF:K.

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August 20, 1925.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Cedar Knoll,
Port Washington, L.I., N.Y.

Dear Carl:

I have been trying to telephone you for Howard
Chandler Christy. Mr. Christy is in California but a
party representing him has suggested that I might be
willing to write you by way of recommendation of him.
This, of course, I am happy to do. I am not familiar
with just what the transaction is but it seems that a
garden or construction of some kind is contemplated.

I know Mr. Christy as well as I know anybody in
the world. He is, of course, a very great artist.
Above all he is the finest man any of us have ever
known. Christy could not do a dishonest thing--he
could not think a dishonest thought. Everything you
do with him is bound to be carried out one hundred
per cent by him. I am pleased to say this.

With kindest regards, and best wishes always,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

hnh

P.S. The only argument I hear about you is
whether you made two hundred million
or three hundred million. I hope it
is five hundred million. You deserve
it.

W.H.H.

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Jack Taylor
Rayburn
Hans B. Bol-Fuchs

August 24th, 1925.

Mr. Will H. Hays,
469 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Will:

Thanks for your letter of the 20th, also
compliment you pay me.

I would like to give some moving Picture
affairs at my house. I have a covered Tennis Court and
loads of room. Can't you send me some man to talk the
matter over with?

Yours,

GGF:FB

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January 8, 1927

Mr. Carl G. Fisher

Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Carl:

I just received your letter of January 4th in reference to the cost of booklets.

It is a perfectly simple matter for some people to question bills after a job is finished, but not knowing the circumstances under which the job was made, they are not in a position to judge the cost.

We would not have been in business for the past 30 years, doing this sort of thing for wise buyers, if we were charging them fancy prices.

We can do booklet work, or any other sort of printing as cheap as anybody. If we get the proper co-operation of people who are in charge of handling your booklets, and they will listen to suggestions we make for lowering the cost without effecting the appearance, there is no doubt but that we can get them out for less money.

I want to handle the printing for you on the Montauk as well as the Miami, and will do all I can to hold down the cost, but we must have the intelligent co-operation of whoever is handling the work from your end.

Otherwise I am feeling fine, and hope you are the same.

With best wishes, I am

Yours as ever,

Chas. W. B. G.

CWB.N

Personal

January 11, 1927.

Mr. Chas. W. Beck, Jr.,
The Beck Building,
Philadelphia, Penna.

My dear Charles:

I have your sarcastic note of the eighth, and I want to tell you to start off with you can go to hell. I was so cock sure of you and your damned old printing plant that I bet one of my stockholders a suit of clothes that the people he referred to could not duplicate your booklet at all to begin with. I maintained the same point you do, and now I get a price of twenty-six cents to duplicate your booklet absolutely or not do them, by a very substantial and responsible company. My stockholder is a good stockholder in Montauk and naturally interested in what we are doing. He has made me look like a dumb-bell.

If the people who handle our printing don't know what they are talking about, why in hell don't you drop me a note and tell me what you want me to do. I have not anybody in my employ who has authority to dictate how the books should be made, and certainly nobody whom I would consider safe if they did not take suggestions how to save money.



Impression made by *Walter S. Blair*
Indianapolis Ind

W. S. Blair
Miami Beach. Fla. Feb 9 1917

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W. Hunt

Impression made
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Always remember that palmistry is not fatalism but a forecast by forwarding possible consequences to their.

Refring of the hands of Carl G. Fisher from impressions made by Mrs. George Philip Meier
of Indianapolis Ind. May 15"/27

(ers.)

The left hand shows the natural characteristics, the right what is made of life, opportunities environments etc, the left being the passive, the right the active hand.

The palm shows an aggressive nature, one to whom "an ounce of opposition is worth a whole pound of incentive". A resistless energy of body and mind, with great powers of physical endurance in pursuit of pleasure or achievement in constructive or financial lines.

~~Anti-Socialist~~ An ability to plan big things, but a dislike of the detail necessary to bring accomplishment. A "sixth sense" clearly marked on the palm shows he has that rare gift of being able to "pick his men" to entrust with his projects. While they might not be able to keep pace with him in working capacity, so long as they are loyal to his interests, he is generous in both forbearance and money, but was betide the one who might think he can "put one over" on him, either by shirking, betraying trust or duties. This same "sixth sense" shows an almost unsanny knowledge when such a thing is being attempted, and the same energy shown in pushing his projects will be used in "getting even", not so much because of monetary loss (as money to him is valued more because of what it enables him to do, rather than mere dollars) as because of the blow to his pride in feeling he can judge human nature. They have lost a rare friend difficult to replace. H

He has an innate joy in the love of battle, be it with the forces of nature, the pushing of a personal project to completion, against opposition or advice of those saying it is foolhardy or of a goal in a sport contest.

He can be led, but to try to force him towards a goal, even tho it be easy and desirable, arouses mental and physical obstinacy, and it is a waste of time and effort to try to reason with him, but he can be reached through his desires and physical passion.

He can easily be a "Samson in the hands of Delila", and it is this "vulnerable spot in the heel of Achilles" which he needs to watch and guard as a continuously successful career in this type of a hand, remarkable for achievement, can come to a disastrous end unless this weakness be recognized and overcome.

The fingers, comparatively short, show the dislike of mental detail and plodding, although the stiff thumb shows a dogged determination in working out a project, even while chafing over delays in execution and making life a burden for himself and those with whom he comes in contact, because of the mental irritability which it produces.

The first finger shows bluntness in speech and one who can be quick in both words and action when anger is aroused, but with a keen sense of justice and regret expressed in acts of generosity if not in words, in an effort to atone. A ready sympathy for the "under dog" and quick giving of aid financially or otherwise to help those in distress. A liking for power, and public recognition which comes from prowess in games of sport where physical endurance and skill is the test, rather than the power which comes from the use of diplomacy in the battle of intellects. A keen sense of fairplay and big enough and generous enough to rejoice with his opponents the winners, although he is the loser. Never one to sit back and call it finished, when he has been beaten in a fair contest, but almost before the end is in sight, making plans for a future resumption of the same contest.

The second finger shows a side to the nature known to but few close trusted friends, and one which even he rarely likes to contemplate or admit he possesses. A capacity for deep appreciation of the grave, the serious side of life, but a shrinking from such contemplation because of the mental discomfort from life as lived, and unwillingness to forego the "flesh pots of Egypt". When circumstances, such as a tragedy or death force this mental characteristic to the front of his mind, there is usually the reaction in trying to down it or run away from it by plunging into distractions of business or diversion of pleasure not always wise. There is also shown the love for animals and a frank outspoken sympathy for their sufferings where there would be a certain shyness in showing the same feelings to a friend.

#2 continued reading of the characteristics shown by the hands of C.G.F.

In the third finger, construction and color are pretty well balanced. A greater appreciation for lines in mechanical constructions than in art, and a liking for bright, glowing colors rather than misty, pastel shades. In an exhibition, the mechanical department would hold more attraction for him than the art gallery, and in the theatre a gay farce, or musical comedy, than a play such as "R.U.R." or "The Adding Machine".

The fourth finger indicates one naturally quick in action, both physical and mental, but with more of a "foresight" where to land physically, than an "insight" as to mental fencing. Not much tact in the management of matters, indifferent to the foibles or shortcomings of others unless they interfere with his plans of action, and then an equal indifference in removing or disposing of such obstacles. A good nail phalange indicating integrity in commercial dealings or business projects, even when he finds himself to be the loser.

The nails show mental irritability, and outspoken expression of it when conditions "rub him the wrong way". Not one to "suffer in silence" for fear of hurting the feelings of the other party, but with a quick sense of humor that will clear the mental atmosphere so far as he is concerned, and surprise and resentment if the other party should cherish resentment or injured feelings.

The thumb in this hand is a wonderful evidence of the strength of character necessary to have produced the outward signs of success and achievement. The first, or nail phalange indicating the strong will and determination necessary to hold in check the ~~sums~~ and properly direct the forces of passion, energy, both physical and mental, and produce the unconquered spirit of achievement. To rise, unwarded, to the conflict with natural forces, or opposition of man, and while the second phalange of logic and reason is subservient to the first, the large third phalange, or mount of Venus carrying strong passions, needs the curb of strong will rather than logic or reason so that its force can be used for constructive rather than destructive aims.

The life line shows longevity inherited from the maternal side. A naturally fine constitution has been seriously impaired by lack of judgment or common sense in the pursuit of sport, commercial enterprises and gratification of pleasure, or appetites. There is the imperative need of not overtaxing what has been a magnificent constitution by unnecessary strain, either along business lines or in pursuit of pleasure or indulgence.

The head line shows mental concentration along restricted lines. Not a student merely to gratify a desire for knowledge, but because it was ~~xxx~~ a rather irksome task necessary to enable you to gain coveted knowledge about matters in which you were interested. Health conditions, due to impairment of the constitution has reduced the power ~~of concentration~~ of concentration of thought as well as for strenuous physical efforts, along new lines of projects. Better "make haste slowly" and "travel in first or second speed"!!

The heart line coupled with other characteristics shown in the palm, indicates a nature loyal in friendships, extravagantly generous in showering favors and gifts on his friends, the possession of money meaning the opportunity it gives to add to the pleasure of others as well as the pursuit of his own pleasures. In affairs of the heart, attracted more by the "call of the flesh" than the "leading of the spirit". A nature which would soon weary of the traditional "clinging vine", but find interest and pleasure in subduing or associating with a woman with a defiant, aggressive nature, of whom he would never be sure he had conquered.

The line of fate, or destiny carries also the financial stream, and indicates success won through expenditure of physical force coupled with the love of conquest and continuous courage in overcoming material and natural obstacles in the gaining of the goal. The line is peculiar in that the financial stream seems more dependent on continuous development rather than permanent investments. There is need for care in the next year or two since the heart line seems to act as a barrier to the destiny line, and end the active earning capacity. An emergency in which the head and not the heart must rule the destiny if there be continuous financial success and health.

Kellin S. Blair -
Kuchera - 3128 N. Penn. St. - Indianapolis Ind

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Feb. 1, 1928.

HENRY W. BLACKBURN
PASTOR

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

Dear Mr. Fisher:

I am so grateful to you for the very pleasant meeting in your home last night, that I want to express my appreciation in this way. I am indebted to you for the inspiring talks by these leaders of some of the nation's greatest institutions, and I shall never forget the occasion and the host.

For some time I have wanted you to know that I would like to reciprocate in any way I can. You were very kind to help our church in its beginning, and I have not forgotten our indebtedness to you, and now that I find myself under additional obligation, I must tell you how I feel.

Differing social and financial positions and interests make it difficult for us to become acquainted, and therefore hard for me to be of any service to you. Since it is not my privilege to be your minister, I would like for you to know that I would like to be a friend to you at any time you might feel the need of spiritual help. Whether one goes to church or not, he has his times of spiritual hungering. I would not intrude, nor ask for a place in the most sacred part of your life, for you no doubt have an intimate friend in the ministry or laity who takes that place. But I would have you know that Christ has meant much to me, and it would be a great privilege to give you the benefit of my experience.

Christ loves men of means; for he was entertained in their homes; and he tried very hard to make them realize that their material security, with all the privileges it brought, was a handicap that was difficult to overcome in that it tends to make one forget the life that is to come. He did not leave a stone unturned to help us overcome the weaknesses of the flesh, and to help us to live a happy, worthwhile life.

You have a place in my prayers; and should you ever want any service I can render, please command me.

Cordially yours,

H. W. Blackburn

February 4, 1928.

Rev. Henry W. Blackburn,
The First Methodist Church,
Miami Beach.

Dear Mr. Blackburn:

Thanks for yours of the first.

I am so very busy now-a-days I don't
suppose I have enough time to give to
thoughts that should be in my mind.
However, I appreciate your courtesy
and your friendship.

I hope to see you often.

Very truly yours,

CGF:T

Indiana National Guard

Camp Knox, Ky.

Personal

August, 15, 1928.

Mr. Walter Thompson,
o/o Carl G. Fisher Properties,
Port Washington, Long Island, N.Y.

Dear Walter:

I wish you would write me a memorandum Saturday and have it in the New York office at 450 E. 52nd St., N.Y., next Monday morning telling me everything that has happened in the past two weeks. Such as; anything new in Trieber Engines, prospect of sale Sands Point house, what trips Shadow K has made to Montauk, did Mr. Fisher attend the last hunt there, who have been visitors, and is Mr. Fisher at Montauk this last week end and what are future plans. In fact I'd like to have the latest gossip in general.

Unless I receive word to the contrary, will leave New York 3:21 P.M. Monday for Montauk.,.

Tell Mr. Fisher that I will be in the New York office, Plaza 0783 Monday until train time.

Yours truly,

Robert H. Tyndall
Robert H. Tyndall.

Watts coming to meet in New York for me.

From Walter Thompson

Port Washington,
Saturday, August 18, 1928.

Dear General Tynhall:

Your letter came as I was leaving for the week-end to Boston so I am having some difficulty in collecting my thoughts.

When Mr. Fisher returned from Indianapolis, the second Aerocar had arrived and took his full attention for the week. He went to Montauk in the car on Tuesday, returning Wednesday afternoon. He went up again Friday night on the Shadow, returning Sunday afternoon. There was a meeting of the Advisory Committee at 11.00 o'clock Saturday, then a Yacht Club meeting at 12.00, and another meeting at 2.00, but whether this was a Board meeting or what, I am not sure. Hugh Davis was there all day, so I presume he participated in the fox hunt. Of course, we hear very little at Port Washington so I do not know more details of the hunt. I was there on Saturday and saw them returning, so guess it was very successful.

Harry Buschman is at Montauk this week end.

Dr. and Mrs. Adkins have been here but went to Miami Beach Saturday.

Mr. Fisher has been doing very well and has kept busy on the Aerocar, planning its trip west and further interesting the manufacturers in its promotion.

Nothing new from Treiber except a written offer from Elverson through Irving Cox of \$160,000. ready to install, plus \$10,000. for electrical equipment. This came in Friday so I do not know what Mr. Fisher has done on it as I forwarded it to him at Montauk. Mr. Fisher went Thursday morning on the Shadow to Morris Heights to inspect the 300 h.p. which is now on the block.

Nothing further on Sands Point.

Sheedy wrote another letter of protest. Mr. Fisher replied very caustically, but finally decided to let it go without answer. Will send Sheedy's letter to you later.

The Shadow brought Mr. Fisher home last Sunday and returned to Watch Hill Monday for the party of Vee President Clemente. He had the boat till Wednesday afternoon, so we have given the Pennsylvania a pretty good time.

Boulevard Hotel continues to lose daily.

Mr. LeBoutillier has a letter from Howard Heinz of Pittsburgh promising to go to Montauk some time.

Mr. Fisher has a nice letter from Arthur Brisbane saying that Mr. Fisher is doing a public service at Montauk and will come with his boy for fishing and wants to join the Swordfish Club.

Mr. Fisher will probably return Sunday night from Montauk. There are no guests except Mr. and Mrs. Levi who have been here a good deal lately.

You will learn in New York from Mr. Croser about the horse show which seems to be progressing. Mr. Fisher has authorized a cup in his name.

Ask Howe if he has a copy of the New York Post clipping. If not, I will send you the one here. It is about the casino.

Hope this letter is what you want, though there is really not much real news. Best regards. Sincerely yours,

CHAS. W. KOTCHER
DETROIT

Carly. Fisher
Miami Beach Fla.
Jan 5/29

My Dear Carl: When I rec^d your letter this morning I ordered my trunk packed and will be down about the 10th I thank you many times for the many offers of boats, hospitals, homes etc Now regarding the clock probably that clock stopped ticking at the same time other people in your office stopped ticking. I have a clock much older than yours: it is still ticking and regular too see!! Seriously I believe a ships bell clock can only be adjusted at the factory. My kindest to you
+ yours
Sincerely
C. W. Kotcher

P.S.
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FRANK KISTLER HONOLULU

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CARL G. FISHER
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

April 15, 1929.

Miss Julia Kistler,
Denver, Colorado.

My dear Julia:

I have taken considerable time to answer your letter; first, for the reason I have been out of town and in Cuba for ten days.

I don't think you should worry at all about what your father has done or what he is going to do. I also think a lot of rumors you have had are all bull. I don't believe them at all; your father is not the kind of man who can be bluffed or pushed into a condition that is embarrassing. You will find it is more dangerous to fool with semi-detectives and lawyers who only get you tied up in trouble. If you will stay away from lawyers and detectives you will be in much better shape.

It is impossible to think your father would not make preparation to take care of you. On the other hand, it is impossible to think what foolish things you and your mother can do in hiring detectives and listening to a lot of idle gossip. I would not think for a minute of giving you any information whatever regarding any investments of your father's; for this reason; you would immediately give this information to some lawyer or some detective who would get your father in more or less trouble -- also you would have a bill against you.

Now if you will just quietly sit down and attend to your own business and take things easy and put your trust in your father and lay off outside information, you will be much happier and you will come out all right in the end. If you ever get down to a point where you are broke, I can always dig up a meal ticket for you, because you are your father's daughter; but just now you are not acting as he would have you do and your intended actions are not pleasant for me to remember.

Very truly yours,

CGF:T

Montauk

July 26, 1929.

Larranaga Cigar Import Corp.,
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New York City.

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Please enter order for
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Ship to me at Montauk,
Long Island, New York, 1500 of these
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Ship to me at Miami Beach,
Florida, 1500 of these cigars in
October, 1929.

Very truly yours,

WG:T

Please leave off wrappers on all cigars.

Daytona Beach, Florida.
February 1, 1930

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Miami Beach
Florida.

Dear Carl:

Enclosed picture taken in Daytona Beach.

I have enjoyed Florida's scenery and sunshine
very much.

So far I have been able to make my own expenses and
in the meantime I am preparing myself for Business Management,
as I think it is one of the best and largest fields for a
young man that I know of.

The top is my goal and if a steady and honest effort
will get it I will reach it some day.

Words can't express how thankful I am to you for what
you have done for my dear father and mother in their old age.

Hoping that 1930 will bring you the best of Health
and Happiness, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Carl M. Fisher

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Devaney, Mike,
Dollenback, Miss Dolly —
Endor, Mr. Chic,
Farrell, Charlie,
Fisher, Mr. Amos,
Fox, Mrs. Lawrence, —
Galloway, William, —
Gimbel, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard,
Gioscio, Miss Florene —
Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. M.J. —
Golden, Mr. and Mrs. John —
Hannagan, Mr. Steve —
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Keys, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. —
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LeBoutillier, George,
LeBus, Frazer D. —
L'Ecluse, Ernest A. —
Levi, Mr. Plus
Lyon, Howard,
Malcof, Michel N.
Morrison, Murdo
Myers, Mr. & Mrs. T.E.
Odell, Dr. and Mrs. Owen —
Olwell, Lee E. —
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P. O. Box 1014,
C/o Lyon Tuttle Corp. 285 King Ave.
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C/o Delray Polo Club,
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Purdy, Mr. Gil.

Lajoie, Mr. & Mrs. Larry

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- Mr. Irving Collins		"

12-21-37.

MRS. FISHER:

I have the envelopes all addressed except one to Mr. Wm. T. Anderson's brother - was unable to find any name or address for him. How about card for Tommy Milton? and Lafe Page?

How about the card for the Kliesraths? Does it go to South Bend, Ind., or Port Washington? How about one to Mr. Paul Kunschik.

Also Mr. James Bright (Deer Park) Hialeah.

James Bright
Ask about the address for Mr. Lajoie

" " " " for Bob Bullock.

A card received this morning from Gilbert Niesse - from Safford, Arizona, as post-marked on envelope. Do you want to send a card to him and his wife there?

12-21-37.

MRS. FISHER:

Among last year's cards I also found the following:(which are not on the list you gave me yesterday) —
O. D. Traiber,
F. W. Gwinn, Jr.
"The Talbotts "

Do you want cards to go to them this year?

MRS. MARKS.

P.S.— I found an address for the "Lajoies" for 1935 - 308 South Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, Fla.

Do you think I might use this address for this year?

Carl + Hattie Adams
Lena + Sage Wheeler

Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Talbott, 250 Park Ave., N. Y.

Mr. F. E. Moskovics, C/o Dictograph Products Co. Inc.,
580 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

Moore Frank J.

130 N. Delaware St., Ind.

Caldwell, Wallace

Birmingham, Ala -

CARL G. FISHER
INDIANAPOLIS

September 30th, 1918.

Here is the best nigger story I think I ever heard : its a wild cat :

✓
"One negro was telling another that he almost cut his throat and broke his neck last Saturday night. He said : "You know Ah got married last Saturday afternoon, right after work. Ah married a gal from over the Ridge : we met in town, got married and had supper. I took her home and went upstairs to her room and shut the door" - he said. "Ah was just setting there with my arm around this gal when there come two raps on the door - jus' like dat - rap - rap. I done forgot Ah was married, nigger, and jumped right out the window".

January 13 1919

Mr. A. G. Batchelder,
Care American Automobile Association,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Batch,

I have yours of the 8th. Certainly Second Assistant Postmaster General Otto Kraemer is on his job when he refers to the postoffice pilots and other pilots as being "only temperamental chauffeurs in chorus-girl Class A."

It is all the Department's fault for insisting on a college education, a smattering of Greek, a knowledge of the best place to tuck the handkerchief, and how to wear a wrist watch. You can drop in on almost any aviation school and pick out a few Irish, and a few regular drivers who could change the entire personnel of the outfit if they were given a chance.

The rules seem, however, to be clearly in favor of the fellows who don't know much about their business, who don't want to know anything about their business, and who won't take an interest in it.

However, what's the use of worrying about it? I own no stock in an airplane factory. I'd prefer to own stock in a Belgian rabbit factory.

Yours very truly,

GGF/urb

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NEW YORK CITY

January 8-1919

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Carl:

Attended an Aircraft dinner last night which was only partially a joyous occasion. I didn't sit at the same table with Caleb, but during the evening I brought him to our bunch, which included Glenn Martin and Major Smith and Lieutenant Worthington, two of the pilots who had just finished the cross-country flight.

Second Assistant Postmaster General Otto Praeger made a great hit (?) with those present by referring to the post-office pilots and other pilots as being only temperamental chauffeurs who almost figured in the chorus-girl class because of the stunts they insisted upon doing. However, he did say that when a plane could land in a small space and not on a forty-acre lot, then it would have real commercial possibilities.

Of course I wouldn't be undiplomatic enough to talk too loudly, but I have a hunch that I wouldn't invest very much money in an aeroplane factory at this stage of the game. The Government appears to be the only buyer in sight and the aforesaid Government has been somewhat slow in going forward on this particular thing.

Yours sincerely,

A. G. Batchelder

P.S. Caleb says he is leaving for the South in the next day or two, and so you had better get ready as he is likely to "run down" from Palm Beach.

Patterson

April 20th, 1919.

Mr. E. C. Patterson,
o/c Warner-Patterson Company,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Patterson :

The brochure came in alright. I sent word downstairs to have it opened and it caused a sensation. Two of our best looking stenographers resigned. I never was particularly in favor of good looking blonds, but this one is out of the ordinary. I am going to hang it on a good spot on the wall where you will have to look up to it.

We have attended to the sailing platform at Miami, and we are certainly going to keep the crowds there next year.

Jules Goux has been given charge of our racing outfit. We expect him here in ten days. He thinks he will have to have both Peugeot's in order to have enough extra parts to make him safe on one. We have been trying to sell the Premiers. It was a question in our minds if it would be better to sell the cars than to take chances in racing them, especially with drivers that we were not absolutely positive of. At any rate, both Allison and myself have had somewhat cold feet on the racing game : we have had considerable bad luck, as you know, and ~~we~~ now trying to interest ourselves in the building of some high powered motors that can be used for high speed boat runabouts. I saw the drawings today of a motor that will develop 400 H.P. and weigh 2000 pounds. This makes it possible to have a 32-foot runabout that will do 60-miles an hour on the water - and whenever you have a boat like this, it is some sport, especially at Miami.

I don't know just how you have managed to manipulate the Detroit Athletic Club, but I will say you are some manipulator. I am anxious to see the Remington again.

We had the most beautiful weather after you left Miami that you can imagine. I just got home yesterday and there is nothing but dust and dirt and smoke here. There is only one thing in the world that would make me want an airplane and that is to be able to leave here in the morning and by evening be in Miami, and as soon as somebody builds a machine that can be ruffled and that can do 1400 miles in a day, I am going to buy one for that express purpose.

Had a letter from Caleb and told him to get here a day in advance. If you can do so, you ought to be down a couple of days in advance.

Mr. E. C. Patterson. #2. April 20th, 1919.

You probably can't get any accommodations at the Hotel, so we will be glad to have you at the house - and by that time in May, we will have the swimming pool at the house fixed up so we can take a swim every evening.

Yours very truly,

CCP:R

GEORGE R. KLINE
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
MIAMI, FLA.

June, 30th., 1919.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,

Indianapolis, Ind.

Politics

Dear Mr. Fisher:-

I am enclosing you herewith a little folder I have just gotten out, and thought it might be of interest to you. My plans are now complete and I will be selling this water in a few days.

In the analysis on back of folder you will note that this water has no organic matter in it, and this is especially of note as I am informed that it is the only Spring Water in the United States with such a high analysis. It also is especially high in other qualities showing purity.

It is my intention to establish in connection with the business a bottling plant where I will put up a high class Ginger Ale, and other soft drinks. In my opinion after July 1st., there will be quite a nice business done in that line. If you know of a good man in this line in your City please put him in touch with me.

Miami continues to grow with rapid strides. The home folks are sure buying property, and building. I look for the best year ever next Season. Especially do I look for an active year at the Beach.

They got off a good joke on you at the Theatre the other Night. The Comedian asked what was love, and the answer was that it was the one thing in Miami that Carl G. Fisher didn't control. It caused a real laugh.

Saw Mr. McDuffie yesterday.

*with his wife
Sincerely, Geo. R. Kline*

July 3rd, 1919.

Mr. George R. Kline,
Miami - Florida.

Dear Sir :

Replying to yours of the 30th : I would not care to be a stockholder and one of the incorporators of the Crystal Spring Water Company. I do not think it is necessary to assist in your business - as the stockholders in the company are not going to get you business or help you maintain it. You will just have to have good water and make deliveries.

The little circular you have gotten out is very good and I am in hopes that your water transportation scheme will work out alright. I don't see any reason why it shouldn't, if the water can be transported without becoming foul.

I will see you the next time I am down in Miami and we will talk this matter over further.

That was a very good joke at the theatre - on me. If you ever see that comedian you might tell him that this particular article he mentions is a line of goods that I don't want to control, either.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

War vets.

August 5th, 1919.

Mr. Joe Boyer,
c/o The Frontenac Motor Company,
Plainfield, New Jersey.

Dear Sir :

The Hospital here at Fort Benj. Harrison has about 750 badly shot up young men from this last War. There is one thing that these young fellows want to see more than anything else in the world - at least they say they do : they want to see a match race at the Speedway between you, Ralph DePalma, Wilcox and a couple of the other boys.

I told the Colonel in charge of the Post the other day that the Speedway would donate the Track and the officials, and that we would get the Motor Corps to donate the automobiles to haul all these poor devils out to the Speedway. I also told him that I would try and get you fellows down here to drive an exhibition for these boys.

We have a couple of Peugeots and one Premier that are in good shape. Wilcox will drive one of the Peugeots and I suppose you will prefer to drive your own car.

I thot for a program, if we could get your consent and the others, we would have a ten (10), twenty (20) and thirty (30) mile race for a Gold Medal. In the twenty mile race we would have a stop on the fifth lap for a tire change. This is about the only program that I could think of that would not run into considerable expense for tires, mechanics, etc.

I feel that we can't do too much for these poor devils who are all shot up. There will be about seven hundred of them in the grandstand and it will take about four hundred automobiles to haul this number, as in some cases it takes an entire automobile to haul one cripple. There will also have to be a large number of officers, nurses, etc.

On receipt of this letter won't you please wire me if you will come ? A definite date has not yet been decided upon - we want to have it the latter part of the month or early in September.

Let me hear from you.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

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Plainfield, New Jersey.

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Yours very truly,

CCF:R

Reaney

August 5th, 1919.

Mr. Ralph Malford,
c/o Mr. Burt Young, Superintendent,
Sheepshead Bay Speedway,
New York.

Dear Ralph :

The Hospital here at Fort Benj. Harrison has about 750 badly shot up young men from this last War. There is one thing that these young fellows want to see more than anything else in the world - at least they say they do : they want to see a match race at the Speedway between you, Balph DePalma, Wilcox and a couple of the other old boys.

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I will also try to get Joe Boyer with a Frontenac and Louis Chevrolet.

Let me hear from you.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

August 12th, 1919.

Mrs. Della Thompson,
s/o Mrs. R. E. Isaacs,
Portland, Indiana.

My dear Mrs. Thompson :

You have probably wondered at the delay in reporting on my interview with Mr. Fisher regarding Konstantin Argeopoulos. Mr. Fisher has been out of the city practically the entire Summer - I was also away for a couple of weeks - and we both just returned a few days ago. At the first opportune moment I told Mr. Fisher, briefly, the boy's story.

As you may remember, I anticipated the attitude that Mr. Fisher might take, and he is not inclined to do anything in this particular instance. It would take too long a letter to repeat his arguments - arguments that from his standpoint are clear and keen, derived from his experience as a successful business man. He contends that if the boy really has ambition, he can make a bigger success of his life by pushing right ahead now without wasting four years in a University. You, on the side of high education, probably would not agree - but some time in talking to you I will explain more fully Mr. Fisher's standpoint or viewpoint.

I am sorry we failed - and hope Konstat will go ahead anyway and come thru the stronger for the struggle.

Sincerely,

AAR:R

August 13th, 1919.

Mr. B. H. Rader,
Leigh Portland Cement Company,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Rader :

I have yours of the 11th : I don't understand why you cement fellows keep on wasting money and effort to get business with the cement markets all caved up tight and the prices nailed to a coon skin. However, I would be very glad to see the new Flamingo Hotel made with Leigh Portland Cement.

We are rather discouraged at the rumors we hear regarding prices, labor conditions, etc. We started out to build a hotel that would cost a million dollars, and from the appearance of things, it will cost two million. Where are we going to get the other million ? If you have already made this much out of ISKO I might borrow it from you for a long time and no interest.

Yours very truly,

GGF:R

P. S. The only up-to-date-going concern at Miami Beach with cash in the bank is the Polo Club. I think we have several hundred dollars in the bank. What are we going to do with it ? I hate to be annoyed with money in the bank.

Resonantly

Jan 20 1920
PES
January 2nd, 1920.

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

Dear Frank :

Am sorry that I should have caused you so much trouble : am also sorry that you thot it necessary to make such an elaborate apology. It was a very stronghearted thing for you to do. After this you mustn't pay so much attention to my hot temper and cussing spells.

However, I believe it may have done some good if you have gotten rid of the damned fool who put this in your paper. Such a man around your place isn't safe and might some time get you into a heavy damage suit.

We have some half-page and page advertisements for your paper in the next few days. Tell your advertising man to come over and see me and I will make arrangements so that he can handle this stuff without making it necessary for me to write or O.K. all the copies.

Yours very truly,

CGF:R

THE MIAMI HERALD

MIAMI, FLORIDA

January 5, 1920.

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

Dear Carl:

Thank you for your letter of the 2nd.

In view of the fact that if I had been trying to do the worst thing I could think of to my very worst enemy, I couldn't have done worse than what the Herald did to you, I do not think the apology which I made was at all extravagant. Anyhow, I am glad that matter is all right now. The man who caused the trouble was fired early the next day and left town right away

I am asking our Advertising Manager to get into communication with you regarding your advertisements, which I very much appreciate.

While I am writing, I desire to thank you for your invitation to go to Bimini yesterday. On account of the weather, I do not know whether you went or not, but it was impossible for me to accept because of the fact that my old Indiana law partner, Judge George E. Downey, now one of the Judges of the United States Court of Claims, with Mrs. Downey, came to visit us yesterday, and I must give all the time I can get away from the office to their entertainment.

Yours sincerely,

Frank B. Shutt

FBS/hs.

August 16th, 1920.

Polk

Mr. Thos. J. Pencoast,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Pencoast:-

I have yours of the 12th. If J. M. Lummas has quit drinking he wouldn't make such a bad city manager at that. I got a letter from him some time ago and he said that he had only two ~~drinks~~ of whiskey in a year. This is a pretty good record for him or any man who has had as much as he has had in the past. You stay away from the job and certainly we don't want Van Doren bothering with it. He has a regular job with us keeping books and we want him to stay on this job. If we get good people in the council as you suggest, and by attending the meetings we will probably get along all right. I wish I could be down there right now.

Very truly yours,

CGF:EM

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MIAMI BEACH, MIAMI, FLORIDA

Politics

Aug. 26, 1920

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

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Replying to your letter of the 16th, I am indeed very much pleased that you approve of my action in regard to the announcement that I was not a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor of the City of Miami Beach. As you say J. N. Lummus has some good business ideas if he would only keep sober and keep straight, but that is a pretty hard thing for him to do. The politicians of the South end hold meetings every Monday and Friday nights. Mr. Henning was down to the meeting last Monday night and McGinnis, who is the Chairman of the meetings, seemed to be quite a little under the weather and charged some of the Councilmen with possessing knowledge in regard to boot-legging which they shut their eyes to, and stated that four of them were present and they could speak for themselves. Mr. Coachman got up and they had quite a hot argument. This is likely to raise a little rumpus in the Camp down there and some of them are going to lose a little ground, which they thought they controlled. We will let it rook along and see how it comes out. James seems to be the man selected for Mayor and while we think he is rather weak yet he may be better than a good many of the others at that.

Yours very truly,

Thos J Pancoast
Secy-Treas.

Personality

September 16th, 1920.

Governor John M. Parker,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

My dear Mr. Governor :

My attention has just been called to a statement which you made recently before Union agitators - and I want, from this considerable distance, to congratulate you upon your policy, on the square English statement you made to the men, and upon your view of right and wrong.

I have just gone thru a seven months argument with Unions at Miami, Florida. The Unions, with their coercion and their manipulation of affairs at Miami, have cost me a good many hundred thousand dollars. Our argument was not one of wages but entirely one, from the Union standpoint, of being able to direct who should work in the City of Miami and who should not work. We have finally completed our buildings but, as stated, at a great many sacrifices and at heavy expense as a result of Union propaganda.

In my estimation, complete Union control of even 25 to 30% of the cities in the United States would in a short time lead to very serious and far-reaching troubles for this country.

Again allow me to congratulate you upon the stand you have taken, and beg to remain

Very truly yours,

CGF:R

Indianapolis, Indiana.

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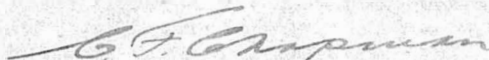
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Dear Mr. Fisher:

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What is doing in reference to the coming race meet? I have been shooting you numerous letters for the last month but have not received one "peep" from you. Time is getting short. There are many details which must be taken care of by your Miami Committee of which you are aware, I am sure. Why not put a bomb under someone?

Very truly yours,



Personality

January 4th, 1928.

Mr. C. F. Chapman,
American Power Boat Association,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Chapman :

Replying to yours of the 29th regarding the foreign aviation motors :
My idea of the situation is that if the foreigners make better engines than we do, they are entitled to beat us - and possibly we can find out their best points, make better engines ourselves and turn around and beat them. If we, in the automobile business, had never allowed the foreigners to compete in this country we wouldn't have an automobile today with half the endurance, half the ability that we do have, as a result of copying some of the best foreign progress.

I don't like to put up a cup, or rather half interest in a cup, for Open Competition, and then limit it to American manufactured engines. The American manufacturer has nothing whatever to fear from the foreigner and a great deal to learn. Almost every delicate and high speed point in American engines has been in some manner or other copied from foreign engines. I dislike very much to stand in the way of this cup going thru, but I certainly would prefer to withdraw from the proposition rather than to offer the cup only for American engines and to bar out all foreigners. If a foreigner could build me a boat engine that I thought better than I could get in the United States, I certainly would buy it, and with this engine I would be in hopes that I could nag on American manufacturers to equal it.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Gar Wood - and am expecting Wood down here within the next week. I don't know just how we can straighten this matter out as he seems to have a strong viewpoint of his own and I have the same kind. Ordinarily I would offer to match him to see which of us would come over to the other side - but in this particular instance I don't think this is the proper thing to do.

Our races at Indianapolis would be absolutely nothing without the foreigners - and I believe our Race at Indianapolis is worth while considering. Automobile engineers from all over the United States come to Indianapolis just to see the foreign cars and get new ideas - and certainly we need new ideas in new points of construction on marine motors more than we do in automobile engines.

Mr. Gar Wood's greatest fame and prestige as an American sportsman came from going to England and racing against foreign manufacturers - and just why he should he should refuse to race against them here in this country, I don't understand. However, he will be down here in a few days and I can talk with him then.

Yours very truly,

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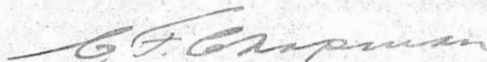
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Very truly yours,



Peb.

April 30th, 1921.

Mr. Charles A. Bookwalter,
Bookwalter-Bell Printing Company,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Book :

I have yours of the 16th and I will agree with most everything you say. You have probably been told a good many times that whiskey isn't good for the system and you probably know that whiskey isn't good for the system - but I take it for granted that this doesn't keep you from taking a drink now and then. The fact that I may be killed some of these days playing polo doesn't stop me from playing - and I am going to continue to play polo just as long as I can stay on a horse. I don't know that there is a great deal of difference in being killed at the age of 48, 58 or 68, if you enjoy yourself while you are living. Besides, to offset the element of danger there is in playing polo (and it isn't as great as some people think) there is a wonderful enthusiasm about polo that keeps you up and I think makes you keener for your other jobs. It takes your mind off worries and keeps you from thinking how old you really are.

Now regarding the Pier : I have heard a lot of talk about the Pier but it isn't the kind of talk that excites us. When a promoter comes around and talks of enlisting the aid of the Women's Club for writing the By-laws of the Pier, we don't get greatly excited. I am making you a bet right now, Old Timer, of a hat against a cigaret, that this man from Louisville never builds a Pier here, in Louisville, or in West Point, or any place - for it isn't on the books that a man can build a Pier and depend upon all the Womens' Clubs, Civic Clubs, Elks Clubs, etc, for its policy. Certainly we would be very glad to have him build a Pier over here and have him pay for it himself, but we don't want to build the Pier ourselves, pay for it ourselves and then lease it to him.

We are after a population over here of people who can build their own homes - and we are making considerable progress. When we sell one home site like we sold, for instance, to Talbott, this one sale equals the sale of seventy such lots as they sell in 'Brooklands New Subdivision' - 'Crapelands New Subdivision' - 'Joylands New Subdivision' - etc. We have a subdivision where lots are worth \$3000 and we have sold a few of these to home owners. They are a very desirable class of citizens. We could easily sell all of our property if we would reduce the price to \$900 and sell it one dollar down and a dollar a month, and we could have 60% of the people who would buy our lots construct homes on which mortgages are foreclosed, and 30% who buy these lots never make more than the third payment.

There is a lot about the selling of real estate that you do know and a hell-of-a-lot that you don't know, or at least if you do know, you don't seem to tie it up with our property here. We are figuring now with several people on very big schemes, any one of which if they do go thru (and certainly

Mr. Charles A. Bookwalter. #2. April 20th, 1921.

one of the several will go thru will mean a great deal to the future of Miami Beach. In the meantime, we sold about a half as much property this season as we sold last.

I will be up North about the first of May and I hope I will see you at that time.

Yours -

CGF:R



April 30, 1921.

Politics

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

Dear Sir:-

Since our conversation a few days ago I have been consulting various political leaders, and I am of the opinion that it will be absolutely impossible to accomplish anything at this time: In the first place we have commenced on this movement too late, because the Florida Legislature is now in session and with an awful lot of business piled up, we would not be able to get a bill through. this session of the Legislature.

I was not at home during the last political election, but I find that there was a good deal of feeling among a number of my friends on both sides that I did not know about until the last day or two. In other words, political factions that worked together on the causeway would now work against any movement of this kind, on account of a big roar from the tax payers.

A great many of our voters throughout the county have not had the usual success this year from a financial standpoint.

I have in mind another scheme, however, that might work, in which there would be no political connection with it. I will go into this matter just as early as I can get some parties together. However, on account of the general condition I do not know that anything can be worked out along that line.

I am at my office in Miami every day now and if there is anything I could do for you phone me at any time. I do not want to tackle anything that I could not carry through, and I am satisfied we could not do this at the present time; as you see, the municipality is not in favor of doing anything, even if it had the bonding capacity.

Yours very truly,

J. N. Lummus

JNL/L

July
15th
1921

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

My dear Ed:

I have your very insulting letter of the 8th - what E. W. Howe and Bobo Dean said about me as a polo rider I will not soon forget. Jack LaGorce claims that I sprained my ankle getting out of the National City Bank in New York for fear they would send a messenger and cancel the loan that I had made. Be that as it may, my ankle is nearly well and I will be riding again next week and I don't have to be tied on!

I told Humpage to fight shy of you on this bank business. The first thing we know you will have us running this bank and this is a business that we know nothing about - and don't want to learn.

Incidentally, I saw L. A. Young in Detroit day before yesterday - he will be down the 1st of November and will open up a nice account with the bank.

I wired you congratulating you on the entire ticket being elected. This is the best thing that has happened in Miami for a long time. If you think it will do any good you might put a page ad in the Metropolis and sign my name to it.

I hope you will block that pier deal - it doesn't look very good from what I can read in the paper about it. Particularly, a deal now without blue-prints, specifications, and drawings is a rather risky one.

I suppose that Bobo is satisfied now - I can see him sitting in that office of his pulling one lone whisker, and handing out quite a smile to all callers. Too bad Bobo wasn't a poker player instead of an editor.

John Levi is here this week laid up with the heat. He is getting to be as big a liar as everybody else that lives in Miami. He says that he has never seen such hot weather in his life.

We are going to have a big season down there this year in spite of hard times. So many people are having so much trouble up North to finance themselves that they are getting desperate and they want to go away for a while and forget it. I am number one on the latter list.

Colonel Silva is visiting us today. His polo team made quite a hit down in Washington and incidentally they beat the Army team a couple of games. It is only 100° in the shade today - regular Cuba weather. I have one bottle of Pipandy rum buried in a pasture and I am going to dig it up and entertain the Cuban army with it this afternoon.

Yours for shorter working hours, - shorter skirts - and shorter interest paying periods, -- -



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PRESIDENT

The First National Bank

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Miami, Fla.

Continuation Sheet #2
Carl G. Fisher - July 8, 1921.

going ahead directing the same. We will finance it.

Business here, all things considered, is pretty good. We are having a pretty hot election and I seem to be the storm center. If elected, I will try to do the best I can, though I think it will take about two years to straighten out the mess the city is in now. I should be most delighted if I am fortunate enough to run first on the tail end of the ticket. In this way I think my good friends will let me alone with politics.

With kindest regards, I am

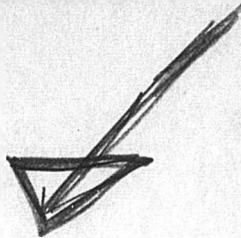
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MIAMI BEACH IMPROVEMENT CO.
OCEAN FRONT PROPERTY
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

August 9, 1921

Politics



Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

There is quite a little propaganda being circulated in Miami, not only among individuals, but through the papers, as you no doubt have seen, to the effect that it would be advisable to consolidate Miami and Miami Beach into one municipality, and before this thought is too widely circulated, we at Miami Beach should decide what line of action we wish to follow.

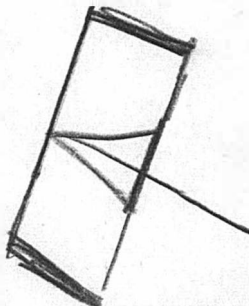
Now that we have a Chamber of Commerce at Miami Beach, they feel that this is one line that they can work through, and already I have been approached by a number of people on this subject, also on the subject of deep water for this harbor.

In last night's paper the engineers report does not look favorable to getting deeper water at Miami and whether something can be done towards getting deeper water at Miami Beach is the question for us to decide and set the wheel in motion to that effect. As I understand the report, the Government contract is not yet completed; it calls for a channel 300 feet wide and 20 feet deep at mean low water from the ocean to the Bay, and a refuge basin just 18 feet deep just inside the entrance. When that is completed, of course, it will be a whole lot better than what we now have. We are going to have a meeting of the Board of Governors of the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce on Friday and this matter will come up and be discussed at length and naturally I feel we will be called upon to make some statement and before going into it too deeply, we would certainly be glad to hear from you on the subject.

Yours very truly,

Thos. J. Patterson

TJP/r



August 18th, 1921.

Mr. Thos. J. Fanequist,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Fanequist:

I have yours of August 9th - I would be very glad to see Miami Beach and the city of Miami as one as long as the city of Miami is handled by a commission form of government. With such a high grade set of commissioners as we have at the present time, it is absolutely ridiculous to have two sets of government officials located within three miles of each other.

It is also almost criminal to have contention over a harbor and harbor lines at Miami and Miami Beach where any good thing for one city in the way of developments is a good thing for both. If we could join as a part of Miami for a time, say for a period of three or five years, then if not satisfactory to the city of Miami Beach, we could withdraw and reestablish our own government. Then, I would be heartily in favor of the two cities being combined.

It might be possible to re-draw a charter - this you might take up with our lawyer whereby we could be thoroughly protected in any move of this kind that we might make.

In my estimation, the report of the government engineers is absolutely correct. It is just plain horse sense. It is ridiculous from my viewpoint, to consider digging the channel three miles across the bay and neither you nor I will live long enough to see twenty five feet of water across to the city of Miami. We don't need twenty five feet for at least five or ten years, but we do need twenty feet, and we need a big turning basin which will allow large numbers of government vessels to visit us.

The city of Miami Beach doesn't wish to throw any obstacle in the way of the city of Miami in gaining twenty five feet or forty feet of deep water, but I do think the City Council and Chamber of Commerce at Miami Beach should try and use a lot of good horse sense on the amount of water that is needed at the present time and on the most economical method to secure our needs.

The average government engineer's report is logical and well balanced and if the city of Miami and the city of Miami Beach would combine for deep water at the nearest logical point, I believe much progress can be made immediately. Every improvement that is made at Miami Beach is bound to be an asset to the city of Miami at least \$10.00 for every \$1.00 of benefit to the Beach. The Beach can exist without deep water much better than the city of Miami can but deep water will assist the Beach very greatly and it will assist the city of Miami in proportion as I have stated - I believe ten to one.

I believe the city of Miami now has a wonderful set of governors who are going to make big improvements and save the city a great deal of money and I only wish that the two cities were incorporated at the present time, together, and that we could depend upon the same class of governors for a great many years to come.

Yours very truly,

Indianapolis, Ind.,
Aug. 26, 1921

Pers

John Lewis Prober

Mr. Plus R. Levi,
Kanawha National Bank Bldg.,
Charleston, W. Va.

My dear Plus:

I have yours of the 22nd. If you have the brains of a striped Indianapolis louse you will get off two cycle engines of any kind. If you are still determined to make an investment, I will make this proposition to you: - You send me a check for \$50.00 and if this Company that you are talking about ever is in position to pay \$5,000. dividend off these patents on any investment you might make now, then I will pay you the \$5,000.

Very truly yours,

CGF:DLC

Personality

August 27th, 1921.

Mr. Harold E. Talbott,
Dayton-Wright Airplane Co.,
Dayton, Ohio.

Dear Hal:

Here is a pretty good letter from Jack La Corce, particularly that part of it which pertains to a couple of irresponsible people from Dayton. I wrote Jack to the effect that his friend who said the tractor wheels were worn was cockeyed, and that the tractor had been shipped over so many different railroads to so many different people that the jostling had worn the rims off the wheels. Hardly a complimentary thing for a small stockholder in the concern to say, is it?

I am enclosing you a copy of a pretty neat little story. Sent a copy to Jess Andrews, too. By the way, we went up to Frankfort, Ind., to see Jess drive his first horse race. Jess bought some big wild eyed looking pacer for \$300.00 and entered him in the County-Free-For-All. He had two or three sets of hobbles on this pacer, blinders fore and aft and a good sized stock of whips and clubs at hand. The break-away was worth going miles to see. The first thing this big galoot did was to push all the harness off and start to run and Jess lost his hat. In the middle of the race one horse fell down and you can hear Jess calling the fellow a God damn fool yet, and could hear him for at least a mile. I am sure that everybody in the Fair Grounds and everybody in the city of Frankfort could hear him.

Oh yes! I forgot to tell you - about twenty minutes before the start of the race we made up a big bouquet of sun flowers and had the Sec'y of the Fair Association call Mr. Andrews and, after a few complimentary remarks to the crowd about Mr. Andrews being next governor of Indiana, the flowers were presented. Jess bowed and smiled and took his hat off to the Secretary while at the same time he was telling him that he would like to knock his damn head off. Jess's horse ran off in the second heat and tried to jump the fence. It will make Jess real good if you will drop him a note and tell him how sorry you are that we are going to loose him from pole since he has entered so successfully in the racing game, also call attention to his speech at the Frankfort Fair Grounds.

I forgot to say that Jess had a long peaked cap with big green blinders on the side to keep the clouds of dirt out of his eyes and he had a nickel plated stop watch tied to his wrist. He also wore knee boots to keep the sully shav from galling him going around curves.

It wasn't hardly safe to stay around after the second heat so we wrote a note and pinned it on Jess's training quarters and bid the place adieu.

Yours -

CCF:EM

Politics

MIAMI BEACH IMPROVEMENT CO.
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Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Answering your letter of August 18th, I took a little time to do this for I wanted to get some information and the views of some prominent people in Miami first.

I spoke to Mr. Romfh and I aksed him without stating that you had written to me in any way whatever, who was back of the propaganda that was being spread broadcast in Miami to join Miami and Miami Beach. He said he didn't know just who, but probably somebody who wanted to "string" us. He felt that it would be one of the greatest mistakes that Miami Beach could make to join with Miami at this time.

Miami has gone forward on a pretty rapid scale and whenever they felt they needed anything, passed a bond issue to get it regardless of the cost, or what effect it might have later on. Considerable effort has been spent in trying to get the large life insurance companies to loan money in Miami. They have sent men here to investigate conditions and they found that the bond indebtedness per capita is about three to one to Jacksonville as a comparison. The running of the schools is higher per capita in Miami than in any other place in Florida, with probably one exception. They do not look upon these conditions with favor and until some re-adjustments are made and people begin to realize just where they stand and take steps to put things on a firm business basis, he don't think it would be advisable for us to consider joining up with them. Of course, if we can always depend on a set of commisioners such as they have there now, that might change the situation entirely, but you know as well as I do how the people are and this condition might change at the next election.

Yesterday the Government engineers held a meeting in the Miami Chamber of Commerce to receice complaints or approval of a proposed harbor line running along the west shore of Biscayne Bay, extending from Miami down to Coconut Grove. I attended the meeting in order to be posted on anything that might take place in regard to getting deep water to Miami, but this subject so far as I know did not come up.

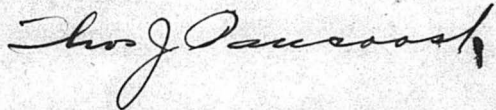
I took the opportunity of talking with Mr. J. Lemon after the meeting to see if I could get an interview with him before he returned. He made an appointment with me for ten o'clock this morning down at the engineer's office at Miami Beach. Avery Smith who is chairman of the Waterways Committee of the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Dickey were with me and we had a talk with him that lasted for about an hour. Lemon says that sometime, probably in November, they are going to hold another public meeting in Miami to hear further suggestions and comments upon the proposition to get deep water to Miami. I told him that we did not in any sense whatever want to interfere with that proposition, but from their report and the natural tendency to curtail expenses with the Government, I felt perhaps their request was not going to be granted, and further we had

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to suggest something that would be very much less expensive and with enough merit back of it to receive their deep consideration. We had a map of the harbor showing the docks that you proposed on the south side of the channel and stating that if we could get a basin dug up to the first dock that we felt sure there would be enough co-operation from you to go on and complete the whole dock proposition. He stated that the Government did not look favorably upon the extension of deep water to a privately owned dock. I asked him what effect it would have if the City of Miami Beach owned part of the land. He said they were always more willing to co-operate with municipalities than with individuals. Before we could get any consideration whatever, we would have to interest our Congressmen from Florida to present the matter to the Government engineers and ask for a survey, etc. So, it seems to me the thing for us to do is to go right ahead and get all the information we can that will help us in presenting the matter to the Congressman and be ready to push forward as hard as we can after the November meeting in Miami, in case that proposition falls down. We have a lot of preliminary work to do before that time and I think we should keep right on in getting everything lined up as much as we can.

I guess you saw the editorial in the Metropolis of the 23rd and also Sewell's letter in the Metropolis of the 27th and the editorial answering it in the same issue.

Yours very truly,



TJP/r

Personality

October 8th, 1921.

My dear Maad :

I have yours of October 7th : You are looking at the subject thra bifocal lens j

Every time I think of that soft, mild, wonderful Scotch whiskey it makes me sore to think that the boys on the boat drank most of it. I didn't even get to bring one bottle home with me. They promised to keep a couple of bottles on the boat on their return trip to Detroit, but they lied like dogs. If I were to send you a little gift every time I think of that whiskey, you would have to have an auto track back up to the Express office there every morning.

Hope you will decide to come South this Winter. In fact, I have always hoped you and Jack would buy a little cottage and be a part of the colony there.

Sincerely yours -

CGF:R

Mrs. Jack E. Smallman,
Elton Lodge,
London, Ontario, Canada.

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MIAMI BEACH, FLA.

May 9, 1922.

Mr. C. G. Fisher,
727 N. Capitol Ave.,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Personally

Dear Mr. Fisher:-

I have sent you by express 2,400 Cigars,
which came a few days ago. I also sent Ed. Romfh
1,000, Mr. Ehrhart 1,000, Mr. Kendall 500, and Mr.
Humpage took 100. This will make the 5,000, which
came in the box.

I will bill the several gentlemen for
these cigars at cost here, which is about 18¢ apiece.

Yours very truly,

FOVD:A

F. O. Van Deren

BOND

REMITT

Pers.

1923

An Ode to Dear Carlby the Duchess of Scatterbrains.

Old King Tut.

Old king Tut was a merry old soul,
A merry old soul was he-
He called for his boat
He called for his gang,
And said, "Let's go on a spree."

And so on a spree they all did go
To the Coccolob Club,
And they all did drink
And they all did dance
'Til there was a great hubbub.

And they carried on 'til the wee small hours,
With unabated zest,
'Til at last quite worn,
Bedraggled, and blear,
They lapsed into senselessness.

I wonder if the king will ever grow old,
So old he cannot see,
He cannot talk,
He cannot think,
Nor yet go on a spree.

Old king Tut was a merry old soul,
A merry old soul was he,
But he got the gout,
And his hair came out,
At the age of fifty-three.

ARMY AND NAVY CLUB OF AMERICA
112 CENTRAL PARK SOUTH
NEW YORK CITY

Personal

July 12, 1923.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
734 Fifth Avenue,
New York City

My dear Mr. Fisher:

As the Board of Governors of the Army and Navy Club of America has voted unanimously to extend to you an invitation to fill as a Founder Member the vacancy created by the death of Henry P. Davison, I respectfully request an appointment in order that I may personally present the Board's invitation.

Yours very truly,

For: *John B. MacKinnon*
BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

N. B. For your information, I will state that the present Founder Members are:

J. Pierpont Morgan

Vincent Astor

Coleman Du Pont

John W. Prentiss

Charles H. Sabin

Howard S. Borden

William K. Vanderbilt

Samuel McRoberts

J. Leonard Replogle

Henry P. Davison (Dec'd)

July 30th, 1923.

Mr. John B. MacKinnon,
Army and Navy Club of America,
112 Central Park South,
New York City.

My dear Mr. MacKinnon:

I have your letter of the 12th. I do not, at this time, think that I can accept your kind invitation to fill the vacancy of Mr. Davison, as a Founder Member of the Army and Navy Club.

Thank you just the same for your courtesy in extending to me this compliment.

I have discontinued my office on Fifth Avenue and now have an office at Port Washington, which is the consequent delay in answering your letter.

Yours sincerely,

CGF
MEC

Personality

Fort Washington, Long Island.
June 5th, 1923.

Mr. S. A. Fletcher,
Indianapolis, Ind.

My dear Stote:

I enclose copy of letter from Goux, regarding a new process of synthetic gasoline. Goux is a first-class engineer, and doesn't often fool himself.

They seem to have a process which Goux is very enthusiastic about, and which makes gasoline from coal product for less than three cents per gallon. If the chemists for the Italian government see fit to purchase 33% of the capital, which is fifty million lire; I see no particular reason why you should not be one of a smaller company of "liars" to negotiate and separate Americans from a proper percentage of the balance of the capital; especially as you are out now with your long bow and arrow shooting at Gulf of Mexico sand dunes; the Flamingo tail feather industry of the southern Bahama banks -- why shouldn't you waste enough interest and cheap stationery to follow this thing through and be prepared to negotiate for the American rights; why may or may not be a first, second or third Standard Oil?

If I had plenty of time or disposition to fighting through corporations, such as this undoubtedly will be; legal papers, concessions, etc. I would handle it myself. However, as I am probably the only man in America who thinks that Goux has any more brains than a bottle of French mustard, I will insist on offering a good many suggestions regarding the proper manner in which to handle Mr. Goux and his associates, when they are prepared to shew what they can do with this new gasoline and what they have to offer for American capital.

You can do all the work, and I will put up one-half as much money as you do for the promoting and take twenty-five percent of the profits and give you seventy-five. If this is satisfactory to you, write me immediately and I will give you other details explaining the process, which was explained to me thoroughly by Goux. The explanation means nothing to me and will probably mean nothing to you; but don't forget that the twelve greatest new inventions of the world's history have been French and Italian.

If you don't want to work with this thing at all, write me and I will try and locate some other person to handle my end of it.

Yours,

I enclose copy herewith of my cable to Goux. Don't overlook the fact that acetylene was discovered in France and peddled around in America for ten years before it was considered worth anything.

Tell Jim he can come in if he likes, as a minor stockholder only; with nothing to say regarding publicity, the managing of the company, or the

October 29th, 1923.

Mr. W. T. Anderson,
The Macon Daily Telegraph,
Macon, Ga.

My dear Bill:

I agree with EVERYTHING you have to say: This is one of the few times in our lives that we have agreed on anything -- except, possibly, the beauty of some of the young ladies who accompanied you from Macon on our Inspection Trip.

You must be a devil now in a striped bathing suit!

You haven't said anything about your ability to drink corn liquor or pure Scotch. Have you cut out the liquor?

This boon to mankind is like a lot of other things that are offered to mankind free. It seems to me, looking back on my past life, that I never gave any thought to any advice on any subject, until I was about thirty-five. How is it going to be possible to teach young people that their health is worth something? I am through joining societies for the prevention of anything.

Are you going to come down this year?

Yours,

CG-me

M E M O

Politics

April 1, 1924.

Mr. Fisher:

Gus Miller and Ray Wright have continued to annoy me about getting some decision as to a contribution for campaign expenses.

The time I mentioned it to you last you requested information as to who was running. The candidates in the field are as follows: John Martin, former Mayor of Jacksonville and from all outward appearance the best man in the field, an out and out good fellow, who they predict will be elected - a man named Jennings who is a church man and backed by the ministers - former Governor Catts, who did not make an overly good record during his former administration and who appears to be cordially disliked in this vicinity.- Worth W. Trammel, a Miami attorney, who I do not believe stands a ghost of a show.

If you care to contribute anything towards election expenses on the Governor's campaign, I believe the contribution should be made to John W. Martin as his only real competitor is a Church member who would be inclined, to alter things considerably and restrict the many privileges which are enjoyed in this territory at the present time.

Please indicate your wishes in the matter.


W. A. KOHLHEPP

Memo:

Apr. 29th 1924

Mr. Kohlhepp:

You can contribute \$200 to the campaign fo John W. Martin.

Carl G. Fisher

Politics

May 6th, 1924.

Mr. John W. Martin,
Jacksonville, Fla.

My dear Sir:

I wish to congratulate you on your speech in Miami, particularly that plank of your platform of paving the Dixie Highway on the east coast.

The entire east coast suffers tremendously for lack of a proper road connecting Jacksonville and Miami, and a strong effort to accomplish this result by the Governor of the State would make it possible to complete the road in a reasonable time.

I have instructed our force at Miami Beach to do all they can to help elect you.

Yours very truly,

OCF-nc

Politics

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CCF-mc

THE ALTON BEACH REALTY COMPANY

MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

CARL G. FISHER
PRESIDENT
W. A. KOHLHEPP
VICE PRESIDENT
C. W. CHASE, JR.
SECRETARY

Personally

July
Seventh
Nineteen
Twenty-four.

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

Dear Mr. Fisher:

The polo booklets will go forward today.

Kohlhepp told me, the day after his return, of the five thousand dollar increase in my salary, but to tell you the truth, Mr. Fisher, I thought he was kidding me.

While I hoped that it was not a dream, I waited until the pay check came in and then took it to Mrs. Chase to verify the new figures.

You always cut me short when I try to make a speech thanking you for the many things you have done for me and I know you do not like reading marathon letters, but I want to tell you again for about the fifteenth time how greatly I appreciate everything you have done for me and want to let you know that any time you need a left leg or left arm you can have one, and if it comes right down to it, I might let you have my right.

Sincerely,

C. W. Chase, Jr.
C. W. Chase, Jr.,
Sales Manager,
CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES.

C:C

M E M O

August 21, 1924.

Polihus

Mr. Fisher:

I wired you today as per enclosed copy. Mr. Perky wants a boat that will be beneficial in selling land on Key Largo. He naturally wants a boat that will carry his prospective purchasers down to this point in the shortest possible time and is interested in the Shadow. We have been put in touch with Mr. Perky on this matter thru Charlie Thompson. Charlie mentioned that you had the blue prints of several boats in your office that he understood were completed and that it would be advisable for you to have complete information to submit to Perky. In forwarding this information please advise if we are to allow Capt. Thompson a commission and if so how much?

Mr. Smart of Smart, Gore & Co. left yesterday after spending a week in the office. I went over the matters fully with him and his report will apparently be composed of comments on the fact that certain stocks of the various companies were issued in your name when they should have been issued to you as Trustee or vice versa. This matter I have, of course, known for some time and have not taken the trouble to remedy it, as all of the various stocks have been endorsed by you in blank and are kept in the files of the proper company owning the stock, so it is of very little importance.

Our tax position evidently cannot be improved from what I have been able to learn from Mr. Smart's conference and comments. For flexibility he will probably recommend the formation of a Delaware corporation to be a holding company to hold the various stock comprising your interests in the numerous companies. This will have some advantages, but under our present plans will be of little or no advantage to us and will cause some little additional complication thru the forming and maintaining of the separate company.

I am of the opinion that it will be best, under the present circumstances, to make the Alton Beach Realty Company the holding company by increasing the capital stock so as to take in the large personal account which you now have in that Company.

I have practically worked out a scheme which I believe is by far the best move we can make under the present conditions and as soon as conditions will permit, I would like to run up for a day or two to explain it to you and if possible put it into effect. It is entirely too important to take up by correspondence because of various complication which we discussed during my last trip to New York.

I have your memorandum of the 18th with reference to re-electing Suedigar Mayor of Miami Beach. I quite agree with you that it would be best to re-elect Suedigar and as Dan Hardie is interested in electing Suedigar I am trying to get them together for a little sociable talk to try to gain some advantage by joining votes in this matter. We certainly cannot lose anything by it.

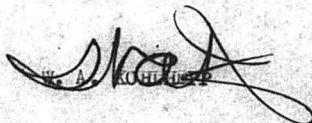
Floyd has been annoying me a great deal about the contracts for building the houses, etc. and I was finally compelled to tell him that after all you had done for him that you were of the opinion that he was not giving the proper co-operation in following instructions, etc. and that we would probably have to build up another connection to replace the position which he had held in the past. According to his statement this morning he will probably make a trip up in the very near future to talk this situation over with you, as he feels that you have been the greatest asset to him in his business life and does not want you to feel that he is unappreciative. I told him that I was under instructions to give these contracts to other contractors and that I was proceeding along those plans and he said he did not care anything about the contract but that he did value your good will very highly and would like to have the matter straightened out with you even if he were never given another job.

Things are coming along very well on the property. Fred Hoerger is laid up in the hospital having his tonsils removed and I have just received word from Pete Chase that Mrs. Chase suffered a relapse after the two operations which she recently had performed in North Carolina, so it will probably be some time before he will be back. However, I do not believe that she is in any serious condition. The Ocean Front road is merely marking time waiting the return of Judge Atkinson. The County requested that we permit the matter to stand status quo until his return. I am conferring with Judge Price on the matter and may prepare to tear the road up upon the morning of Atkinson's return. In this way we will have an opportunity to secure an order restraining the County from repairing the road.

There is a dipper dredge filling in behind the bulkhead along Indian Creek in the northern end of the property and all of the low places back of the bulkheads will soon be levelled off and grass planted on them, which will be a great improvement over the appearance of this property.

Clark has nearly finished cutting out the rock shoal in Indian Creek and will soon move his dredges to the Peninsula Terminal property. The dipper dredge on the Peninsula Terminal property has nearly completed the levee on the southwest side of the Island and they will soon be ready for the dredge to start work on the 200 foot channel.

Remembering the recent exchange of letters with the Texas Co. in oiling new roads, we have instructed Belcher to use Texas road oil. There is an increase in price of the Texas road oil over that oil which we have previously used of over 5%, but upon examination and inquiry we find that the Texas oil is of a much higher grade and Kingwood and Hoerger are of the opinion that the difference in price is well worth while. I hope this is in accordance with your wishes.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'W. A. Kingwood', is written over a faint, circular stamp or watermark.

MORGAN MOTOR CAR COMPANY

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BUY GENUINE FORD PARTS:
THE SPURIOUS KIND ARE
BOTH DEAR AND DANGEROUS.

FOR RELIABLE REPAIRS USE OUR
SERVICE DEPARTMENT WE EMPLOY
ONLY SKILLED FORD MECHANICS.

NEWARK, N.J. March 18, 1925.

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

Dear Carl:

Enclosed please find a front page story from the New York Times by a real live wire who mentioned your name. Director Gillen writes me today that he has received a letter from you in which you state that you are coming to Long Island within a short time and that you will see him during that period.

I would like indeed to have our local old timers meet you at the Automobile Club at lunch so keep that in mind. You can tell them how you started selling bicycles on Capitol Avenue, how you built the speedway, started Presto-lite, etc., and then capped it all by your Miami Beach development.

Miami is certainly in the lime-light. Personally I do not believe I would want to spend my vacation there because it is getting too rapid for an old man.

I went to Bermuda for two weeks and all the talk down there was Miami. There were about 600 people on the Island with accommodations for 6,000. I was there in January which is the start of the Bermuda Season.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Morgan

WJM:B

We give 24 hour night and day service to Ford owners.

Pers.

March 23rd, 1925.

Mr. William J. Morgan,
Morgan Motor Car Company,
4999 Broad at Kinney St.,
Newark, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Morgan:

I have yours of the eighteenth. I am trying to get out of the limelight nowadays instead of in it. You remember the time, however, when every effort was made for publicity, but just now I am on the other side of the fence.

I am building a new office at Port Washington and will be up there this summer, and if you take a run out there I will be glad to have you drop in and say hello.

Yours,

CGF:K.

Sunday, March 17th -

1852 N. E. BAYSHORE DRIVE

MIAMI, FLORIDA

My dear Mr. Fisher,

Brother, Ray, John and I
are giving a little Tea next Sunday
afternoon, March 21st. From 4 to
7:30 and we would be so glad
to have you come over.

I have not seen
his picture and
give you all that
Sunday.

Hoping the Opera will be a
great success this week. I am

Very Sincerely,
Mrs. John S. Ella Van Camp Mastindale

Personality

March 18th, 1925.

Mrs. John L. Martindale,
#1852 N.E. Bay Shore Drive,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Martindale:

I have your very kind invitation and am sorry that I cannot come, but I haven't been to a tea in eleven years and I have only been across the Causeway twice this year. I have been very busy here practically night and day.

Sometime during the summer when there is nothing to do here, and we get our books straightened out and our contracts in shape, I might not have time to come to tea, but I might be able to write you a nicer letter than this one.

Yours,

COF:K.

Oct. 1, 1925.

General William Mitchell,
Washington D. C.

My dear General Mitchell:

I have followed with considerable interest the argument you are having with the government regarding the control of airplanes and lighter than air machines. I have read most of the statements in the press reports of the fate of the Shenandoah.

I have had probably as much experience in the air in lighter than air machines as most American pilots. My license number is 18. In 1913, approximately over Chattanooga, Tenn., I had the same experience that the Shenandoah had, with this difference: While sailing in a national balloon contest, near seven o'clock in the evening and at an altitude of two thousand feet, my companion, George L. Bushnell, and myself were drawn into an ascending current. We ascended to the limit of our aneroid. We had the valve at the head of the balloon wide open for probably ten minutes. The tail of the balloon was wide open during the ascension. We could not stop the ascent of this 80,000 cu. ft. balloon; fortunately, we came down inside the center of this spiral column of air, and at 4,000 ft. we drifted back to the center and ascended again to an altitude of about 11,000 ft. (I am not now sure of the height of the second ascent or the time) We had given ourselves up for lost on the first ascent, and on the second ascent the conditions were about the same. However, we drifted down again and on the second descent we valved our balloon sufficiently to drift us from the ascending current and to be able to anchor in the treetops.

The next morning at sunrise, we saw at least one dozen spirals of clouds in the sky, all of which were twisting and ascending into the sky any place from 3,000 to 6,000 ft. or more upwards. As we had no method of figuring the height or distance we could only guess at this.

It is my firm belief that the Shenandoah encountered one of these spiral ascensions of air and that the valving arrangements were not sufficient to take care of the rapid expansion. In our case, we ascended in spite of the fact

that the head of the balloon with a thirty inch valve opening was wide open. The escape valve on the bottom of the balloon was also open. We could not check our ascent until we had reached an altitude of better than 21,000 ft. which was the limit of our aneroid reading. The hand on the aneroid at 21,000 ft. hit the pin. As we ascended about 18,000 ft. our balloon was so taut that we expected it to explode or burst at any minute. After the second descent it was so free from gas that it hung in great folds like a sausage with half of the contents removed.

A complete report of this trip was sent to all of the serial clubs of the world and only one other experience of this kind has been recorded - that of Santos Dumont in a balloon trip which he made over the Alps, in which he had a serious accident. I think the reading of his experience probably saved our lives.

If the Shenandoah fell into any such upward current of air such as we experienced they would need to relieve the pressure a large number of valves. I am not an engineer and cannot figure these capacities, but I do know that if the Shenandoah containing 80,000 cu. ft. of gas with thirty inch openings both top and bottom it was barely possible for us to save ourselves. If the engineers on the Shenandoah had figured twelve valves necessary and four were shut off, then I am inclined to think that this was a mistake.

I do not want any publicity from this letter to you. I can give you certified statement of this experience, if you can use it. I am not at all seeking notariety or to be drawn into this controversy which you have with the Department, but I am anxious that our government should quickly arrive at a sensible and sane method of handling both our airplane department and our lighter than air department. Having flown some 20,000 miles in free balloons and having had this experience which I have related, it may be of some value to bring to the attention of Army officials who do not fly and have not had this experience. Some of the experiences that are encountered in the air need very unusual conditions. If you care for any other information regarding this experience I would be very glad to give it to you in a letter, but as I have stated, I do not care to appear before any investigating committees.

It is my candid opinion that the Shenandoah would have lived if she had more valves and would have lifted to 15,000 or 16,000 feet. The Shenandoah, as I understand, burst between 7,000 and 9,000 ft. While I am not favorable to the report of any German engineer on the conditions or the result, I must say that I believe that the original specifications for the Shenandoah valve arrangement were more correct than they were at the time of this disaster.

If I can be of any help to you, drop me a line

Very truly yours,

CGF-me

ELVIN N. EDWARDS
COUNSELOR AT LAW
1-7 RAILROAD AVENUE
FREEPORT, N. Y.

Politics

October 6, 1925.

Carl G. Fisher,
Port Washington, L.I.


My dear Mr. Fisher:-

A week ago last Sunday when I was at your house with Mr. Leo Carrillo, you suggested that I send you some of my cards so that you could have them distributed to your organization and thus help me roll up a good vote in that section. I am taking the liberty of forwarding you one hundred cards and pamphlets under separate cover.

You will recall I promised to try and find out what the State Park Commissioner's plans were at Montauk and while in town yesterday I attempted to get in touch with Justice Townsend Scudder, one of the commissioners whom I know very well, and learned he is still in Europe and is not expected back for some time.

Thanking you for your promised help through the distribution of my cards and pamphlets to your organization, and with kind regards, I am

Very truly yours,



E/H

No
Oct. 9th, 1925.

Mr. Elvin N. Edwards,
1-7 Railroad Avenue,
Freeport, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Edwards:

Yours of the 6th.

As soon as I receive the cards I will hand them over to a new man who has recently come with us, with instructions that he go out among our men and see that you get a good vote and if you are elected and don't make a good District Attorney, we will turn around and vote for the other fellow.

Very truly yours,

GCP:FB

Sept. 9th, 1925.

Mr. J. H. MacDuffee,
720 East Maple Road,
Indianapolis, Ind.

Pers.

My dear Joe:

I have your letter of recent date, I think all the trouble you are in is coming to you. You spend money just like you had it to spend, and if you can't save some with \$10,000 salary and your expenses paid traveling, you are a big fish.

I kept a family once, as large as yours on \$500 a month, and saved money and you can do the same. I am mailing you a check for \$1000 which will help you out. I don't ever expect to get it back, as most of my friends I loan money to forget to pay me, and give me hell besides.

I hope you will come out of your present embarrassments and sit down and check up your expenses and keep them in line with your salary.

Yours,

CGF:FB



THE COMMODORE
FORTY-SECOND STREET AND LEXINGTON AVENUE
GRAND CENTRAL TERMINAL
PERSHING SQUARE
NEW YORK

JOHN MC E. BOWMAN
PRESIDENT
GEORGE W. GWEZDNY
VICE PRES & MGR.

Sept 4, 1925

My dear Carl:

I have now been with the
Prest-O-Lite Co for almost one year
during which time I have progressed
very satisfactorily and am sure that
I am highly regarded by them. My
arrangement with them provides
for a salary of \$1000 per month and
commission over 1,000,000 in business
which has not yet been reached, but
I am now working on Gen'l Motors
and Chrysler and it looks like we
would get this business which would
give me about \$2000 a month.
Because of the time and money



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VICE PRES & MGR.

that I lost while working the
Elgin proposition I have been
practically busted for a couple
of years, and now with only 1000
a month with which I must pay
running expenses as well as paying
back debts I have been hard
pressed to keep both ends together.

I am in a position right
now where if I don't raise
some money at once I will
be forced out of my home - get
into the courts and the publicity



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VICE PRES & MGR.

following will surely cost me
my opportunity with the
Union Carbide crowd for up
to date I have been fortunate
in keeping my personal affairs
confidential & they all think I
am fixed O.K.

I have never called for help
before and would not now if
there were any other way out -
but I am in desperate need



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GRAND CENTRAL TERMINAL
PERSHING SQUARE
NEW YORK

JOHN MC E BOWMAN
PRESIDENT
GEORGE W. WYENNY
VICE PRES & MGR.

of assistance And of all the men
I know you are the only one
that I feel I can go to.
I need \$2500.00; that will
put me over in good shape.
Will you send it to me?
I'll start paying it back
in January with interest And
you'll never lose a dollar.
And I'll tell you Carl that if
I wasn't in need And deserving of
help or well — I wouldn't



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VICE PRES & MGR.

ask for it.

If there is

any question in your mind of
how I am regarded by the company
just call Ben O'Shay on the
phone — but don't let him know
why you are enquiring.

If you can help me out send
me a check to 720 East Maple
Road Indianapolis. I am leaving
for home today.

Sincerely

H. McEffer

Columbus, O.
Nov. 15, 1925.

Dear Sir:-

Rather a peculiar
message Mr. Fisher, but
are you interested in
employing a young
fellow, 22 years old
who is the world's
greatest power-boat
enthusiast?

I have read of
your successes and

it is my sincerest
desire to someday
pilot one of your
winners.

I have had two
years of College and
can offer splendid
references, including
the present Governor.

Just anything
connected with fast
boats, I'm interested
in. Will you give
me a trial and

your closest criticism?
Awaiting your con-
sideration, I remain,

Sincerely,

John C. Fowler

1228 E. Main St.

Personality

November 23, 1925.

My dear Mr. Fowler,

Replying to yours of the 15th.

You write a very good letter and my advice to you would be to get into some other business besides motor boating. It doesn't pay and it's only a sport. What you want to do is to get a job where you can make a living.

Very truly yours,

CGF+JJG.

Mr. John C. Fowler,
#1228 East Main Street,
Columbus, Ohio.

November 24, 1925.

Cloister Clock Corp.,
Buffalo, N.Y.

Gentlemen,

I have purchased two of your clocks because they are very good looking, I find, however, that you have absolutely no idea whatever of service nor the faintest idea of selling clocks. Altho I believe you have one of the best mechanical propositions that I have seen in years you do not know how to sell it or how to take care of it. Your agents don't give a damn what happens after they sell a clock. I would like a battery for your small size clock. If you knew anything about business at all you would have numbers on your clocks and instructions so that people could order new batteries when they need them. Instead of saying "one of your small clocks," why don't you have a number for it, or a name for it, and when you appoint agents for the clock have them keep a small memo book so that they will know when the clocks will need new batteries, put in the batteries and charge it up to the owner. In fact, there is so much about selling these clocks that you don't know about that it makes me very anxious to give you some tips and because I like to look at the clock to see it run - - if it will run - - but just now it wont run and no batteries in sight.

Very truly yours,

CGF*JJG.

*Mr. Kullback
To note*

March 15, 1926.

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My dear Hugh,

I had thot for some time that I would write you a note regarding your penmanship. This is going to hurt your feelings somewhat but they will have to be hurt sooner or later so it might as well be now.

It's impossible for most of us to read your letters regardless of your education. In my own case, it is necessary for me to hand your letters over to a stenographer to decipher. In this particular case (as you will note from the enclosed letter) the deciphering is even impossible to others. For the Love of Christ, spare me from people who sign their names so that no living human being can read it. You can get a stamp made for 60 cents that will spell "Hugh W. Davis." After this when you write me, wire me at my expense.

Yours,

CGF:JYG.

Mr. Hugh W. Davis,
#52 Vanderbilt Avenue,
New York City.

P.S. - I wired Walter the other day regarding the location of our New York office. I have spent a good many summers in New York in offices on ground floors and I know conditions - dirt, dust, smells, crowds on the side-walks and, the worst, the inquisitive idler who stops in to take up your time. We don't want this class of people at Montauk. I had no idea that you fellows were looking for a ground floor office - - you should know better. The people who walk along 44th St. are not interested in our property other than just curiosity. The majority of people to whom we will sell our property ride in automobiles. We are not selling corsets, slip-on covers or pop-corn poppers that you can interest people thru the windows. The people who are interested in our property will come to 57th Street, get in the elevator and come up to our offices where the atmosphere will be cool and pleasant and where we can have maps on the wall with a good view. If we

were selling Maxwell House coffee or Premium Bacon, a ground floor location would be desirable. However, unfortunately, we are not in the "wrap-it-up and take-it-home" business. Therefore, we want offices - I am quite decided on this plan - 12 or 14 stories in the air with a good view and I think this is obtainable in the Heckscher Building. It is also possible, even in these hectic times, to park your car in front of the building long enough for you to transact your business, and this is not possible further down town. Also the Heckscher Building will be a notable building for people to remember the address, and this is important.

O G F

May 5, 1926.

miss

Harmon National Real Estate Corp.,
140 Nassau Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen,

Regarding your ad in a recent issue of the New York Evening Journal.

personality

I happened to be at a meeting of advertising men when this ad was presented before the meeting and it was the consensus that it was the poorest advertising matter that had ever been submitted to the committee. Besides being untruthful, the advertisement has a lot of envy in it and a rather silly attempt to ruin the reputation of a state which is known all over the world at this time. Probably untold millions of people in the world have heard of Florida and Miami who could no more tell you where Long Island is located than they could give you the way to the moon. I am a resident of Florida six months of the year and a resident of Long Island the other six months. I own property in both places and I think Long Island has a wonderful summer climate and Southern Florida - or rather all of Florida - a splendid winter climate as well as a very good summer climate. I don't know what the statistics on the actual number of mosquitoes on Long Island would show up as compared with Florida. There are places on Long Island that are free from mosquitoes as well as places in Florida. The only difference that I have seen in the different localities is that the general run of mosquitoes on Long Island are one-third larger and can sting one-third harder.

I don't know that the officers of your company sanctioned this class of advertising or not. You are probably unaware of the fact that the building permits in Florida, at the present time, are several times greater than the whole of Long Island; in fact, I think that one county's building permits in Florida will almost equal the whole of Long Island's. The bank balances, at the present time, in one county in Florida will compare quite favorably with the whole of Long Island. The unscrupulous "land sharks" who flooded this country like locusts last summer and caused most of our troubles came from a line north of the Ohio River. They were not born or raised in this state. Fortunately, we have some of the biggest men in America, who live in the north, defending Florida against a second invasion of northern crooks. If you want to read a really constructive and sensible argument on Florida secure a copy of the Dayton Daily News of Sunday, April 25th, also Tuesday, April 27th, both articles written by Ex-Governor James M. Cox, former Presidential candidate from Ohio.

Yours truly,

CGF+JJC.

INDIANAPOLIS MOTOR SPEEDWAY COMPANY

*Maintaining the Greatest Race Course
in the World*

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

May 6 1926

Hannegan

Carl G. Fisher, Esq.
Fisher Building
Miami Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Fisher:

The enclosed letter arrived today. I am sure you will want to book Will Rogers for next season despite the fact that January, when he will be on tour in Florida, is a little early for the best results.

Elsie Janis would also be a good drawing card in the Gardens, I think, although she will not pull nearly so well as Rogers.

If no alterations are made in the Gardens, we can take care of many more people there next season than we did the past for the Roger show by letting Will work in the center of the floor and using seats around the entire house. He o.k'd that plan when he was there the last time. About Giesecking, the world's greatest pianist, I know nothing as I never heard him.

If you care to enter into negotiations with these people, drop me a line and I will take care of it immediately.

Everything is moving along in splendid fashion here. The only seats available are the one dollar bleacher seats in Grand Stand G; there are thirty-nine entries, seven of them foreign and four cars are already at the track. It looks like a big race and I sincerely hope that you will be able to get out and see it.

The weather has been miserable, being more like winter than spring, but today is nice, the sun is shining and I am hoping for the best. I miss you all and I am still thinking of the marvelous time I had on the yacht trip.

With kindest regards to you and to all the regulars.

Gratefully,

Steve
Steve Hannegan, Director of Publicity
INDIANAPOLIS MOTOR SPEEDWAY COMPANY.

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Address All Correspondence to Indianapolis Motor Speedway Company and not Individuals

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Personality

Miami Beach, Fla., April 12, 1926.

Governor John W. Martin,
Tallahassee, Florida.

My dear Governor. We understand that you have been requested to appoint a constable for the district including Miami Beach Stop. Wish you would kindly withhold appointment for about ten days.

CARL G FISHER

CGF+JJG,
Pd. & Chg. Alton Beach Realty Co.
W.U.-Fast telegram.

Personality

CHARLES L. WAGNER
511 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

April
Twenty Eight
1926

Mr. Steve Hanagan,
c/o The Carl G. Fischer Co.,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Hanagan:

How about Will Rogers and the
De Reszke Singers for next season. They will be
down that way in late January.

I am putting out Elsie Janis
assisted by the four great artists. She will also
carry her own special accompanist, making a
complete production.

Giesecking, the world's greatest
pianist will also be down that way. Why not arrange
for a three number Course?

You know the coming of Rogers is
a big advertisement for your town and this is the
last chance of getting Janis.

Please let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Chas L. Wagner

Manager.

CLW:R

May 11, 1926.

Mr. Charles L. Wagner,
4511 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Wagner,

Replying to your letter of the 28th to Mr. Hannagan
which has been turned over to me.

We would hate to see a season go by without having
Will Rogers. I don't care much about the pianist but I suppose
this attraction would have a good drawing power with the women.

We have turned our Auditorium over to Mr. Leo Carrillo
of New York for this coming winter and I would like to have
you get in touch with him.

Very truly yours,

CGF:JJC.

Copy to -

Mr. Leo Carrillo,
Lands Club,
New York City.

December 18, 1926

Perls.

Mr. Clayton S. Cooper
808 Washington Ave.
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cooper:

I have yours of the 16th.

I will be with you if possible on the 20th. It is no trouble to drain the Everglades if they have money enough to do the job, and I think the State of Florida has sufficient money and can get sufficient money. Considering the low price of land at present, and the value after draining, the state should be able to get all its funds back and a big interest on their investment. However, sometimes it is quite difficult to get officials to see a proposition of this kind.

I wish you success with your undertakings, and will be with you if possible.

Very truly yours,

CGF:JD

Clayton S. Cooper

CLAYTON SEDGWICK COOPER
808 WASHINGTON AVENUE
TELEPHONE 746
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

December 16, 1926.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
848 Lincoln Road,
Miami Beach.

Dear Mr. Fisher:

At the request of a number of friends, I am calling a meeting of some of our leading business men at 4:00 o'clock next Monday, December 20th, at the Columbus Hotel, Mezzanine floor, to consider the Everglades problem, which has now become a live issue for all Miamians.

Our back country must be developed to pave the way for Miami's continued growth and prosperity. It is the outstanding problem confronting us today-- and it is up to the business men of Miami to take steps promptly that will lead to decisive and effective action.

Your presense at this meeting is greatly desired. Nothing is more important than to tackle this job with characteristic Miami spirit. Therefore, I am counting on you to hold this hour open and to attend the meeting at the time and place above mentioned.

Cordially yours,

Clayton S. Cooper, ✓
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CARL G FISHER

PORT WASHINGTON LI NY

AFTER CAREFUL DELIBERATION AT A NUMBER OF CONFERENCES AND OPEN DEBATE AT MASS MEETING CITIZENS OF MIAMI BEACH HAVE DECIDED TO MAKE STRENUOUS EFFORT TO HAVE NEW COUNTY FORM FOR MIAMI BEACH RUNNING FROM BROWARD COUNTY LINE TO BISCAYNE KEY FROM BAY TO OCEAN TERRITORY TWENTY TWO MILES IN LENGTH STOP INVESTIGATION SHOWS THAT OUT OF STATE AND COUNTY TAXES PAID BY BEACH SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS WAS SPENT ELSEWHERE THAN ON BEACH OF SCHOOL FUNDS WE RECEIVED ONLY A PART OF THE SCHOOL TAX AND

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 TO THE FACT THAT HE HAS HIGHER POLITICAL AMBITIONS AND IS WORKING CLOSELY
 WITH POLITICIANS ON OTHER SIDE STOP TERRITORY UNDER CONSIDERATION IS LARGE
 BOTH IN AREA AND POPULATION THAN SEVERAL OF OUR COUNTIES AND A NEW COUNTY
 IS ENTIRELY PRACTICAL AND WOULD BE OF GREAT BENEFIT AS WE WOULD HAVE MORE
 FUNDS FROM TAXES TO SPEND ON OCEAN FRONT AND FOR REPAIRING BAKERS HAULOVER
 PLEASE SEND A STRONG WIRE TO SENATOR J W WATSON AND REPRESENTATIVES JOE V
 DEARL WILSON (FRED L WEEDE) AT TALLAHASSEE AND WIRE TO LUMMUS WOULD ALSO HAVE
 SOME EFFECT

W L KOHLHEPP

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

MAY 11, 1927.

W. A. KOHLHEPP, FISHER BLDG., MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA.

FOLLOWING TELEGRAM GOES TO SENATOR WATSON REPRESENTATIVES DEARL AND WILSON AND WEED AND TO LUMNUS THINK REPRESENTATIVES NAMES BALLED UP ON YOUR MESSAGE QUOTE IT IS BOTH UNFAIR AND UNGRATEFUL FOR THE COUNTY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE TAX SITUATION AT MIAMI BEACH I THINK THE COUNTY IS LIABLE FOR STRONG DAMAGE SUITS TO COLLECT OUR PROPORTION OF TAXES FOR SCHOOL FUNDS WE SHOULD HAVE A COUNTY OF OUR OWN IF WE CANNOT GET FAIR DEALING BY DADE COUNTY I AM STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF OUR GOING AHEAD ON THE BASIS OF OUR OWN COUNTY AND TO ORGANIZE THOROUGHLY SO THAT WE CAN PROTECT OUR BEST INTERESTS WHEN IT COMES TO EQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF TAX FUNDS

CARL G. FISHER.

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Fisher

DATE May 10, 1927.

FROM Mr. Kohlhepp

SUBJECT _____

Mr. Chase left last Sunday for New York and no doubt is with you by this time. He had a number of important matters to be attended down here, but I urged him to go North as early as possible, as I felt he would be of great assistance to you right now when you are starting to organize sales in repricing the property, and assisting Mr. Zearfoss, or whoever is put in charge of the sales, and becoming acquainted with your policies and in getting the sales department on a more routine basis. There are a number of Miami brokers going North and most of them are interested in doing something at Montauk. Pete will be very valuable at this time in interviewing them and working them into the organization, either as brokers or salesmen in a way that would be most valuable. Our big tax suit comes up June 7th in Washington and it will be absolutely necessary for me to be there and I believe it is very important that Pete get back to Miami before that date. There is a lot of work to be done here this summer and I really feel that Pete will be a larger asset to you here than up North.

I have had no word regarding the Sands Point sale; take it for granted that Stanford is still at sea on his organization plans.

Politics

I wired you today with reference to the new County. We have gone into this matter very carefully, and there is no question that we would have a great deal of money in taxes and reap larger benefits if this Bill were to go through. We could avoid a great deal of additional expense by having a number of the County offices held by city officials, and everybody here, with the exception of Lummus, was in favor of it at a mass meeting. Friday night a vote was taken and out of 600 people who attended only two opposed it, and one of the two was Walter Payne, who opposes anything that stands for progress. Lummus is opposing and has been in Tallahassee claiming that he represents the city officials and has tried to do a great deal of damage to the movement, but from all reports he has gone about it with so little information that I do not believe he has damaged our cause much. His opposition is a selfish one as he is playing with Senator Watson and some of the County Commissioners with the idea of furthering his own political ambitions. From a standpoint of anyone interested in the Beach there is not a single argument against the formation of a new county. I have talked to several Miami business men and they are in favor of the move as they see that by making this a separate county we will be in position to help ourselves by improving conditions at Miami Beach, which would naturally help them, realizing that our location is the play ground for the entire county and is entirely different from any other city and they are sending wires to Tallahassee in support of our Bill.

C. H. W. Read, who was at Montauk last summer, is leaving Thursday at Mr. Chase's request to assist him in repricing the property at Montauk. Mr. Read is worthy of consideration at your hands, he has been largely instrumental in interesting Gar Wood in Montauk and is probably more familiar with Montauk, due to the fact that he spent the summer there last year, than any of our salesmen including Zearfoss. He will be of considerable value in putting the plans together for the colony of houses that is being considered at the present time by the East Hampton crowd, Tiffany and Hunting. Alex Orr and several others are interested with this group. Read started this movement with Tiffany last year and I believe he is the best one to follow it up. He had a very bad season down here last year and is not in very good financial condition. He still has a few thousand dollars

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

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TO Mr. Fisher
FROM Mr. Kohlhepp

DATE May 10, 1927
SUBJECT

capital left and could easily make a living at some of his old jobs, such as selling Burroughs Adding machines, but is vastly interested in Montauk and is hoping to be able to hang on until things open up. I really believe that it would be worth while for you to allow Read a nominal drawing account, at least during the period that he is working on general sales data for the company, as he will undoubtedly have to put in several weeks in helping Pete on this matter and would make a mighty good man to help Zearfoss by looking after the Montauk end while Zearfoss looks after the New York end. These are merely suggestions. You can have a chat with Chase and Read when you get together and handle his case to fit in with your other organization plans.

At the time of the Galvaston disaster the State of Texas passed a bill refunding the state taxes for the county of Galvaston for 35 years, the money to be used in improving the water front. Pancoast and several members of the Committee of One Hundred put this before the Governor last week and suggested it be offered as an Administration Bill, thinking that he would do so to inspire the good will of voters in southern Florida. I took the liberty of wiring the Governor over your signature urging favorable consideration of the matter, but it appears that one of our representatives had also spoken to the Governor about it which would prevent him adopting it as his original measure. He is interested, however, and I believe if we can get representative Weed, who first discussed the matter with the Governor, to request the Governor to make it an administration measure he will take some action on it. A few things like this would be of great value to us and would amount to about \$60,000 for Miami Beach. In recommending the Bill we are also including Hollywood, Fort Lauderdale and intervening property in our recommendation. I hope this meets with your approval.

W. A. KOHLHEPP.

WAK/g

To: Mr. Kohlhepp.

May 18, 1927.

Dear Walter:

The Sands Point sale is, I think, o.k., but I won't be sure until I get the cash.

We have a deposit on the ferry, extending for a week I will be glad to see Read when he gets down and will have a talk with him.

I think if you can get the separate county through for the Beach it will be a good thing and I don't understand why Lunus would object to it when, as you say, everybody on the Beach is for it.

I hope you can put through the sale of the ocean front property.

CGF:T

Committee of One Hundred

Miami Beach, Florida

Politics

May 20, 1927.

Mr. R. H. Tyndall,
Fisher Building,
Miami Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Tyndall:

As many of our members have returned North to their summer homes, I am writing you concerning a matter which we deem of great importance to the City of Miami Beach.

You may not have been present at the last meeting at which Mr. Cooper presided, when a resolution was unanimously adopted favoring the creation of a new county, embracing the territory as far South as Cape Florida, and following the line dividing the two cities on the West, and extending North to the County line.

For your information, I wish to state that all the civic bodies in Miami Beach, including the Chamber of Commerce, City Council, Woman's Club, Lions' Club, Business Men's Club, in fact, every civic organization, had passed a resolution endorsing such a move, before it was presented to our Committee of One Hundred.

We have been holding daily meetings with many of our prominent citizens and with the exception of our Mayor and a very few others, it is the unanimous wish that we create this new county, which will enable us to not only spend our own money that is paid for taxes, but we will have general supervision in the various developments and protection that only the Beach is interested in.

Miami Beach is a strictly tourist city; Miami a commercial city. We have practically no roads to build, but we do have an ocean front to protect.

One of the very important issues that caused the necessity of taking this action, was our school taxes, and this is no small matter, as 46% of the entire county taxes goes to the support of schools in Dade County. We have a special school district and there was \$800,000 in bonds issued to purchase the site and erect the building. The total expenditures including equipment and furniture amounted to \$598,702.98. The law provides that this money must be deposited within the school district. This unused balance has not been used for the purpose for which the bonds

Committee of One Hundred

Miami Beach, Florida

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were issued. I might add that we only realized \$790,000 for the bonds and there is still a balance to our credit of \$181,297.02.

At the present time Miami Beach has no authority to employ its own school teachers, or even a janitor. This is one of the very important reasons why we believe it would be greatly to our advantage to manage our own affairs.

From an economic point of view, I feel very confident that we could save a large sum of money each year in the management of our county affairs.

It will not be an expensive matter to create this new county. However, we all understand there will be considerable expense in completing the records, but that is nothing compared to the several hundred thousand dollars that we contribute each year, that is spent elsewhere in the county. For your information I will state that we will not be the smallest county in area and few counties will surpass us in assessed valuation.

We are meeting with strong opposition from the professional politicians of Dade County. Consequently it is necessary for us to have some funds to meet the necessary expense in carrying forward this work, so I am asking a free will offering from our membership. We will appreciate anything that you may contribute, as we think it a most worthy cause. Up to this time, several of our prominent men have been advancing the necessary funds but we feel it is something the entire community is interested in. I know the membership of the Committee of One Hundred stands ready to do its' part financially. I would be more than pleased if it were possible to raise the necessary funds without going outside our Committee.

I am expressing my personal views after consulting the executive members of our Committee, and I sincerely hope that we may have a favorable reply. We would even appreciate a letter without a contribution, as we are trying to represent the entire Committee, and want them to be fully informed of every action our Committee may take.

In my judgement, we should have a fund of not less than \$5000. We will greatly appreciate an early reply, as we have a real fight on our hands and with proper encouragement we will continue to demand our rights until the legislature creates a new county for us.

Committee of One Hundred

Miami Beach, Florida

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Account will be rendered showing how the funds were expended.

Any further information you may desire will be promptly forwarded.

Very sincerely,

L. B. Roberts

Chairman.

SBR/L

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

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MEMO TO Mr. Carl G. Fisher

DATE May 25, 1927.

FROM W. A. Kohlhepp

SUBJECT County fight.

I just returned from Tallahassee where we spent three days with a strong committee on the new County fight and I am glad to say that we have made considerable headway and really have very strong support.

The merits of our case are clearly admitted by Senator Watson and Representatives Wilson, Weede and Dillon, but they apparently do not have sufficient strength of conviction to present a bill.

After a number of meetings and a great deal of talking and political manoeuvring we finally got them loosened up at a joint meeting to the extent that they offered to pass special bills as follows:

1. A bill redistributing the County Commissioners' districts so as to give Miami Beach a representative in the County Commission.
2. A bill redistributing the School Board so as to give Miami Beach a member of the School Board and, if possible, give them complete control of the expenditures of all moneys received by taxes or bonds in this district.
3. To authorize a bill authorizing the County to bond the entire County for not over \$5,000,000.00 to be spent in the repair, replacement and maintenance of the Ocean Front, the proceeds of these bonds to be expended under the absolute control of a special commission of five men; three to be selected by the City Council of Miami Beach and two to be named by the County Commissioners.
4. A general bill providing for the State to refund all state taxes collected within the city limits of Miami Beach, to be turned over to a similar commission for expenditure on the Ocean Front, these refunds to run for a period of ten years. Our state taxes for this year amount to \$108,000.00.

If these bills are properly passed and put into effect we will have gained a great deal, but still believe that it would be ideal if we could have our own County and handle our own affairs. The control of our own County would give us a much better control over the gambling element and other undesirables that are now permitted to operate in Miami Beach due to the conflict between the various police departments and the sheriff's office and the continual trading or swapping of rights between them. Another difficulty will be to pass a bond issue of any considerable size in a countywide election for the improvement of the Ocean Front. A bond issue of this kind would receive a lot of opposition from the lower elements in Miami and the southern part of the County.

When Senator Watson and the three representatives went so far as to make this offer we were very much pleased and I feel sure that you will agree with me that we have accomplished a great deal thru this offer and that Miami Beach will receive more recognition in public affairs from now on, but we are continuing the fight to get the County bill put thru and have now asked for a new County bill providing for a referendum vote of the entire County of Dade. It would be difficult to carry an

MEMO TO MR. FISHER

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Carl G. Fisher

DATE May 23, 1927.

FROM W. A. Kohlhepp

SUBJECT County fight.

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election of this kind, but we have reason to believe that if we can get the bill introduced that we have sufficient strength to have the bill admitted in the Senate and passed, which would be equivalent to creating a new County immediately.

To do this work and carry on the fight, it has cost considerable money, and to continue the fight for the next two weeks or later will cost a great deal more. I feel that the companies have done quite a lot already in this matter and we are now making a drive on individuals to secure funds, but if funds are not available I believe that the companies should contribute still further. I talked with Irv Collins over the phone about this and he agreed with me that this is of vital importance and would reduce taxes to a large extent on Miami Beach.

WAK:K.


W. A. Kohlhepp.

Copy to:

Irving A. Collins.

July 7, 1927.

Mr. Fred Osius,
Miami Beach.

Resawitz

Dear Fred:

I sent out several telegrams, called Governor Cox by telephone and talked to Frank Shutte this morning at the Plaza on the telephone.

I think there is something back of this suit, either blackmail or a chance for damages. What connection did you have with this Mr. Miller and what do you know about him?

I don't think I would worry if I were in your place; it was an accident which could not be avoided any more than a cyclone could. In similar accidents it has been my misfortune to kill two or three people which does not bother me a bit though of course I regret it terribly, but I could not help it and I would not expect anybody else to worry under similar conditions if I should be the victim, just so it is unavoidable.

Yours,

CGF:T

MONTAUK BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MEMO TO Mr. Fisher

DATE July 16, 1927.

FROM Steve Hannagan

SUBJECT _____

Personality

Some few days ago, at a reorganization meeting of the Montauk Beach Athletic Association, which, you will recall, is a social and athletic organization composed of the employees, including the laborers of the Development Corporation, a very fine spirit was displayed, especially as relates to the loyalty of all of these men. As toastmaster of the meeting, which was held in the general room of the office building, I introduced several of the fellows who addressed them.

I am attaching, for your information, my resume of the men who were introduced and the manner in which they were presented to these men. Mr. Caffrey took a decided interest in the meeting and personally donated base ball equipment, such as base balls, bats and gloves for play on a field which is now being laid out for the men. Golf tournaments, tennis matches, and other mass athletic plans are being completed for the recreational periods for these men. I feel confident you will want to know about this and I am sure that had you been here, you would have been more than delighted to have seen the loyal spirit in which these men uphold Montauk, not only in play, but in the way in which you are more interested - work.

SH/FT

STEVE HANNAGAN

* *SH*

July 22, 1927.

Mr. Steve Hannagan,
Montauk.

Dear Steve:

I have yours of the sixteenth. While it was very liberal of Caffrey to donate the balls and bat and gloves, I think he is wrong. If a bunch of young fellows who are earning good salaries cannot afford to buy a thirty-five or forty cent bat and a ~~seventy-five~~ cent ball and a pair of three dollars and a half gloves to play ball with, they ought to do without.

I play base ball for many years and never had anything donated to me. In fact, I think the crowd I played with were too proud to ask anybody to donate balls and bats. We had to pay for our own. It is a lot of bunk to buy for people who are too lazy to help themselves.

So far as the Athletic Club is concerned, it is a good thing, but if they cannot help themselves they ought to disband. I think we do enough when we provide the playing field. Of course, there are exceptions to this rule, but the exceptions can always be taken care of; the general rule, however, holds good.

Yours,

CGF:T

Sharkley - Dempsey

July 22, 1927.

Mr. Richard F. Hoyt,
25 Broad Street,
New York City.

Dear Dick:

I was sitting about fifteen or twenty rows back and had occasion to see what you probably missed in the front row last night.

First: I think the fight was the dirtiest fight I have ever seen. Dempsey hit four foul blows that were noted by everybody in our section, and there is no guess work about how foul they were -- at least there is not in my mind. The whole fight looked like a frame-up between the referee and the others in your organization. This is a strong statement to make but I have had lots of experience with these birds and if it was not a frame-up then I will eat my raincoat.

From the time we entered the pavilion there was a constant stream of peddlers of chewing gum, pop, peanuts and cigars, ushers and policemen in the aisle so you could not see very well from the better seats. This, of course, is hard to avoid, but the situation as seen as the main bout was announced was scandalous. Fully two hundred or more ex prize fighters, peddlers, ushers and policemen all rushed down the aisle and stood up so that it was impossible to see any of the fight without standing in the seats. In a short time these ex pugilists and ushers commenced taking seats away from spectators. An old man right in front of me was pushed right out of his seat by one of these bums and if it had not been for our interference he would have been thrown right out of his seat which he had paid \$27.50 for.

The crowd appealed to the ushers to clear the aisles and the ushers said they could not do anything with the people, although the ushers were taking fifty cents or a dollar from the people who stood in the aisles to let them stay. The crowd

Mr. Richard F. Hoyt.
July 22, 1927.
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appealed to the police and the police said they were not working for Mr. Richard and had nothing to do with clearing the aisles and suggested rather sarcastically that they ask the house to get a few more bums as ushers to clear the aisles.

We handle at Indianapolis between 135,000 and 150,000 people annually at the Speedway races. We use the National Guard for our police protection and for handling the crowd. Such a condition as existed last night at the stadium could not possibly exist in Indianapolis five minutes. It only needed the concerted action of two good men to clear any of these aisles, but the good men were lacking.

I enjoyed all the fights except the last one which was so much of a frame-up it was quite noticeable to anybody who has attended fights of this kind. As your guest on tickets presented by you, you may think it not in order to criticize the management and conduct of the place, but I know that if you were a guest of mine at the Speedway I would welcome criticisms that might be constructive.

During our races we some times pass out as many as fifty thousand post cards asking for criticisms, the names of guards, police, vendors, officials of any kind, or ticket sellers who are not polite or who cause our customers annoyance inconvenience or show a lack of courtesy. We get many very intelligent constructive ideas from our guests and we have built up a strong clientele of possibly 400,000 people. They cannot, of course, all attend our races every year but we can count on a positive attendance of between 125,000 and 150,000 persons each season.

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For a large crowd it was generally good natured, and it is quite lucky it pulled through without serious disturbance. I met three friends from Miami who came from Minneapolis to see the fight but who saw nothing at all of the entire fight except the first and second bouts, although they had seats costing \$27.50.

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DINNER
JULY 26, 1927

MENU

COUPE OF FLORIDA FRUIT
CANAPE ADMIRAL
CONSOMME CELESTINE ROYAL
CREAM OF CELERY CRONTONS CHICKEN BROTH RICE
QUEEN OLIVES PICKLES ALMONDS

LOBSTER THERMIDOR

FILET OF LEMON SOLE SAUCE TARTAR
POMMES PARISIENNE

NEW CORN ON COB BROCCOLI POLONAISE
PINEAPPLE SLICE SABAYON
DELICE OF TURKEY WITH VIRGINIA HAM EN ASPIC
COLD

FRESH MUSHROOMS AND GAME EN SALNUS

FILET MIGNON A LA STANLEY

QUAIL ROTI CASSEROLE

SPRING LAMB MINT JELLY

PRIME RIB OF BEEF AU JUS

ROAST LONG ISLAND DUCKLING BIGARADE
MASHED POTATOES FRENCH FRIED POTATOES
BOILED POTATOES

STRING BEANS CARROTS VICHY
HEARTS OF LETTUCE ROQUEFORT DRESSING

ICE CREAM SPONGE CAKE COCOANUT PIE
HOT GINGER BREAD WITH WHIPPED CREAM

ROQUEFORT A LA TRAPPE GRUYERE CHEESE SALTINES

ORANGES APPLES CHERRIES
COFFEE TEA MILK

Personality

Mr. B. Lundberg.

July 28, 1927.

Copy to Mr. Gaffrey.

Mr. Fisher.

Menu cards.

Yesterday one of the biggest hotel men in the world (if not the biggest), Mr. Statler, told me that he did not think you could make any money on the menus you are serving. He told me the study of menus is a larger study than the management of hotels. The difference between making money and losing money in a hotel is in the menus that are offered.

In going over your menu card, I am impressed with the tremendous variety which you offer, which is bound to be expensive. It is all right now from our opening up to the present time, but it seems to me you could cut this menu down considerably.

I myself particularly object to names of various articles on the menu which the average person of intelligence does not understand, and I think I am of average intelligence. I have been in all the principal hotels in this country and Europe and I expect at times to run across certain articles on the menus that I do not know what they mean. I don't want our hotel to publish any more menus that cannot be easily understood by the average hotel occupant.

For instance, you have "Coupe of Florida Fruit". What does "coupe" mean in this connection? "Canape Admiral" -- what does this mean? "Consomme Celestine Royal" -- I can understand "Cream of Celery," but what does "Croutons" mean? I understand "Queen Olives" and "Pickles". Now what, for the love of God, does "Lobster Thermidor" mean? Is it cold lobster, hot lobster, or live lobster? "Broccoli Polonaise" might mean pigs' feet, pigs' tails, or anything else under the sun. We have the average intelligence in this office and nobody knows what it means.

"Delice of Turkey" -- if it is sliced turkey, I want you to say "Sliced Turkey". In fact, I want you to go over the Menu Card and queer all this bunk. Use common, to the point English and as few words as possible. "Fresh Mushrooms and Game en Salmis" -- tell me what it means. "Filet Mignon a la Stanley" and "Quail Roti Casserole" none of us understand. We understand "Roast Long Island Duckling" but no one here knows what "Bigarade" means.

Get at this menu immediately, straighten it up and submit to me at once and to Mr. Gaffrey a corrected Menu Card and cut out all this stuff that your guests don't understand. This is very important to attend to at once.

CGF:T

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CARL G FISHER.

PORTWASHINGTON NY.

FINEST THING THAT COULD HAPPEN FOR ALL OF US ON THE BEACH
WOULD BE THE APPOINTMENT OF A CITY SOLICITOR OF BOTH
CAPACITY AND CHARACTER STOP SUCH A MAN WOULD BE THE BEST
SAFEGUARD THAT YOUR VAST INTERESTS COULD HAVE STOP I HAVE
KNOWN GEORGE FARRELL FOR TWENTY YEARS HES ONE OF THE
ABLEST LAWYERS THIS STATE EVER PRODUCED AND WENT SOUTH

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ONLY BECAUSE OF HIS WIFES HEALTH STOP HE LOVES THE BEACH
STOP I THINK UNLESS YOU TELL THE FELLOWS DOWN THERE TO
STOP PLAYING SMALL POLITICS THEY WILL NOT APPOINT FARRELL
STOP I HAVENT THE SLIGHTEST AXE TO GRIND NOR HAS FARRELL
HIMSELF SAID A WORD TO ME ABOUT THIS MATTER BUT I KNOW
THAT IF YOU TAKE THESE CHAPS BY THE BACK OF THE NECK AND
MAKE THEM AVAIL THEMSELVES OF A REAL OPPORTUNITY YOU WILL
BE DOING YOURSELF A FINE DAYS WORK STOP KIND REGARDS.

JAMES M COX.

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August 1, 1927.

Hon. James M. Cox,
Dayton, Ohio.

Dear Jim:

I have yours of the 29th of July. I don't know a thing about your man, Farrell. See copy of my letter to John Levi. We know John is entirely on the level and he wants to help and I believe you are trying to give us help. We are going to do all we can to go with you and, as I have explained to John, if it gets us in bad we are going to blame you.

I am beginning to find out that politics is a strange foot ball to play with. Unfortunately, the kind of people I have associated with me on my side of the fence cannot be taken by the neck; in fact, they are not the kind of people I would like to take by the neck; and I have learned from past experience so many times that they have so much more brains than I have in these difficult arrangements it is very wise to listen to their counsel. Suppose, for instance, you would advise me to take Mahoney by the neck -- wouldn't that be a fine day's work?

However, I am asking John to write you immediately. We want your assistance, personally, and we want your paper's assistance, and if we don't get it and get things straightened out we are going to have a lot of trouble at the Beach.

Yours,

CGF:T

Copy to John H. Levi
Miami Beach.

The Macon Telegraph

MACON, GEORGIA

Jan. 7, 1928.

Dear Carl:

About a week ago I became afraid to visit the office each morning lest I find still another insulting telegram from what we know as the Indian giver, demanding the return of your snide box of fruit, etc., unless the ham were forthcoming immediately. Now, dearn you, since the ham was shipped there has not been a chirp or sound out of you, leaving me to infer that you waded into it and got all sick and everything from gorging.

But regardless of your silence, I feel sure it must have arrived safely and promptly, and that you are enjoying some of the best cold lunch and free lunch you ever ate--if there is any left.

In this connection, let me say to you privately and confidentially that nothing you ever did afforded me any more pleasure than your demanding this food. You wrote me not to send you anything because you felt guilty, or something like it. But, hell, what is a friend for, if he has something you want but to tell him so and let nature take its course. Of all the friendships I ever formed none has been any more appreciated than yours; none has ever borne the constant evidences of sincerity and continuity as has this one, and the highest proof I have of your constancy is when you ask for something--if ever. The greatest treasure is that human relation which permits one to be honest and natural and loyal and devoted--free of scheming, design, ulterior purpose. Such has been ours.

So in future, when you want to make love to me and compliment me, ask me for something.

Sincerely,

Bill

Love to Margaret. Tell her her Christmas Card was the cutest ever.

January 9, 1928.

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

Dear Bill:

We received the ham o.k., also the corn bread. Last night after a big theatre party, I was hungry and I waded into this ham. As a result, I am taking soda this morning. Thanks very much for the ham, but after this you ought to tie a can of soda with it.

Just read a book by Russell that was finished after his death. I have ordered a bunch of them and certainly want to send you one. The only kind of people who appreciate this sort of literature are burglars, horse thieves, cow punchers, and editors of semi-blackmailing newspapers. Wait till you get the book, and if you don't get a bundle of laughs out of this book I'll miss my guess a lot in you and your character.

They are trying to raise \$160,000 to get the Democrats down here for their convention, but I am not for it for that amount. I am willing to subscribe a reasonable amount to not allow any Democrats in the state, especially Tom Taggart.

Hope you will be able to get down this winter. Margaret sends you word she is reducing and can't eat ham, so it is up to me to finish it.

Yours,

CGF:T

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

JUNE 28, 1928.

GOVERNOR JAMES M. COX. DAYTON DAILY NEWS.
DAYTON. OHIO.

I AM ONE OF ONE THOUSAND REPUBLICANS WHO IS DOING ALL I CAN FOR SMITH IF HE WILL STICK TIGHT TO HIS MODIFICATION OF THE VOLSTEAD ACT. CAN GIVE HIM MORE THAN THOUSAND VOTES. IF HE STRADDLES THE FENCE I HAVE LOST INTEREST. HE CAN BE A BIG MAN IF HE REFUSES THE NOMINATION UNLESS THE PARTY AGREES TO HIS MODIFICATION VIEW OF THE EIGHTEENTH AMENDMENT.

CARL G. FISHER.

CGF:ABR:T

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

Lawyers Building,
Mineola, N.Y.
August 29, 1928.

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

My dear Mr. Fisher:

In addition to the National, State and Congressional Campaigns, we have this year in Nassau County a very important county election.

County Judge Lewis J. Smith, Judge Leone D. Howell, County Surrogate, and Elvin N. Edwards, County District Attorney, are among those who are running for re-election. They have been exceedingly able officials.

You have generously contributed to the Republican Party in Nassau County in the past, and in behalf of our Treasurer, Walbridge S. Taft, who is absent, I am appealing to you for support in this coming campaign. I have undertaken the work of collecting the necessary campaign funds in addition to my own campaign for re-election to Congress.

Intensive canvassing of the vote in Nassau County is more necessary this year than ever before because of the large influx of new people from the greater City of New York, many thousands of whom will vote in Nassau County for the first time this year.

The Republican State and National Committees have never contributed to the campaigns in Nassau County and apparently will not do so this year. Therefore, we must rely on our friends who live here to help us out with the necessary campaign funds, which we are now particularly in need of.

May I not again count upon your loyal co-operation and help?

Checks should be made payable to Walbridge S. Taft, Treasurer, and either sent to him at 40 Wall Street, New York City, or they may be sent to me at the Lawyers Building, Mineola, N.Y. As heretofore contributions will be faithfully acknowledged and a careful record will be kept of all monies received and spent.

Nassau County, because of its proximity to the greater city, is on the "firing line" and we all believe the election this year is most important to the future of Long Island. We must also give the Republican National Ticket a large majority in Nassau County to help offset the Democratic vote in New York City.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. Bacon

Dear Carl
I suspect you are voting
for Smith but won't
you help us locally
Bob

September 5, 1928.

Hon. Robert L. Bacon,
Lawyers Building,
Mineola, New York.

Dear Bob:

I have yours of the 39th. You know I have always been a Republican but I am off the Republican Party now on their Prohibition stand. I am for Smith from every angle.

I will help you if it will do you any good, but I will give twice as much to the other side as I will to your side. Why in hell don't you get somebody to come out flat-footed on this Prohibition situation? You drink and I drink and all the Republicans we know drink as well as the Democrats, and what's the use of kidding ourselves regarding this situation?

Yours,

CGF:T

October 17, 1938.

Mr. Herbert Janvria Brown,
1133 Thirteenth Street, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Brown:

Thanks again for your telegram of the
17th.

I notice your reports are mimeographed
and I don't think it would be much extra trouble
to you if you will comply with the following request:

Our General Manager (Mr. W. A. Kohlhepp)
is located at Miami Beach, Florida. My equal part-
ner in most of my development work, Mr. Irving Collins,
is located at Moorestown, New Jersey and I am located
here in Port Washington. After this season I will be
located at Montauk, New York. There is a lot of delay
in getting these reports back and forth by telegram
as it causes confusion and some times undue excite-
ment, and I want to know if at the same time you send
me my reports you can send a duplicate to Mr. Kohlhepp,
Mr. Collins and to Mr. Howard Coffin at Sapelo,
Georgia. Mr. Coffin is interested with me both in
Georgia, Montauk and Miami Beach and our companies
are all tied together and we are all affected by
these various hurricanes and disturbances. The re-
ceipt of only one copy of your reports, which is
sometimes delayed by my being out of town, only
causes me to have a stenographer duplicate the report
and mail to these various points. If there is any
extra charge for this service, let me know and I will
manage to take care of it.

I expect you, as usual, to come down this
winter and kill a week's time knocking around at
Miami Beach. I suppose it is useless to suggest to

Mr. Herbert Janvria Browne,
October 17, 1938,
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you it would be more convenient for you to arrange your visit between the periods of excitement which we have been subject to for the past few years.

Knowing your ability as a scientist, I would like to ask you if you can figure out through horoscopes, telescopes or any other kind of scopes just what other pest can hit us at Miami Beach. We have had the "Binder Boys", we have had inflation, deflation, we have had mosquitoes, shortage of building supplies, thousands of bankers trying to loan money, thousands of bankers trying to get out from under loaning money, hurricanes, tornadoes, cyclones, whirlpools, water spouts, water shortage too much water both fresh and salt and non-drinking, lots of good liquor and a lot of bad liquor, bootlegger wars; and now you talk to us about a Tidal Wave or some sort of somersault which the ocean is going to turn which will knock all the clothes props out of the back yard.

Between you and me; I have had everything happen to me down there except, like the nigger who was going to be shot at sunrise, said, "I have had everything happen to me that could happen except pulling the trigger on the final scene." So, while I deeply appreciate your interest in us and your timely warning, I don't see that there is any particular thing we can do except to vote the Democratic ticket and appeal to Al Smith.

Yours,

GGF:T

November 8, 1928.

Mr. Roy D. Chapin,
Hudson Motor Company,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Roy:-

There is something very radically wrong with the nickel plating on your cars. We have two Hudsons in service that have had less than five months' service and as far as the nickel plating is concerned they look like they are ten years old. No amount of washing or polishing will keep them up. In fact the radiator, bumpers, nuts that hold the tire clamps, and all the nickel plated parts including the lamps are terrible. We haven't a single complaint to make regarding the operating nor the excellence of the car itself, but your nickel plating is rotten. It is even worse than the cheapest car on the market.

We have an old Studebaker that is five years old standing alongside a Hudson that is only five months old. The nickel plating and finish on the Studebaker is superior to the Hudson. We also have a Graham Paige which after four years's service is superior to the Hudson after five months.

People are commenting freely on the poor plating on the Hudson and I am only telling you this as I would like to have you tell it to me. If I were disinterested I certainly would not buy a Hudson on account of the nickel plating, but being interested I hope you fix the thing up and find out what's wrong.

Yours,

CGF:K.

Hiand Beach, Florida, November 22, 1926.

Messrs. Irving Cobb, Will Rogers,
Bob Davis, Jess Andrew, W. T. Anderson.

I know you will be interested in this story of the Seminoles in Florida. Some of these Seminoles make considerable money off coon skins, beaver hides, etc., and when they are flush they will spend their money for anything. A good many peddlers make a living by travelling through the Everglades in a canoe with a pack of articles for sale which they open up at each camp.

One enterprising peddler bought up a lot of bass drums which had been soaked in the swamp with salt water. The face of the bass drums were badly cracked and all the wires were rusted and some were broken, but he got rid of the entire consignment to the Seminoles.

On the last trip Glenn Curtis made over his extensive holdings in the Everglades, he found that some peddler had sold every camp from six to eight pair of roller skates -- with not a place to use them for seventy-five miles in any direction.

Yours,

Carl G. Fisher.

CCF:T

Personality.

November 27, 1928.

Community Theatre,
Miami Beach.

Gentlemen:

We have a tremendous amount of complaint and criticism regarding the class of shows which your theatre is putting on. The criticisms are especially directed against melodramas and such shows as you have this week. A lot of very high grade patronage on the Beach does not care for the class of shows you are running.

What has become of your Harold Lloyd shows or your West shows? Anything but cheap melodrama as you are running now would, I think, be more acceptable to the class of patrons who would use your higher priced seats. Personally, I have enjoyed in your theatre such shows as Harold Lloyd presents, and have groaned with agony at such a show as you have this week.

Best wishes.

Very truly yours,

CGF:T



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PARAMOUNT ENTERPRISE, INC.
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COMMUNITY THEATRE
LINCOLN ROAD AND MICHIGAN AVE.

MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

November 29, 1928

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

Dear Mr. Fisher:

A theatre manager who doesn't receive criticisms as well as praise from his patrons can't very well know when he isn't striking popular approval; for that reason I want to thank you for your letter of November 27th.

I believe I recall the evening you were last in attendance, and I agree with you that the picture wasn't up to the Community's standard. However, it was once a popular play, a widely-read book, and should have made a good picture. Some enjoyed it, but I am glad to get your opinion.

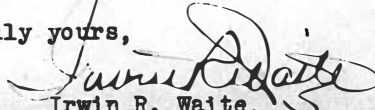
Regarding the Lloyd pictures: Harold Lloyd produces but one a year. You will recall we had the world's premier of his last one in the Spring. And we'll have his next when it is ready. I do not quite understand your mention of "West" pictures, as the typical western production is usually just what you express a feeling against, --cheap melodrama.

The motion picture industry has been considerably upset recently because of the sudden popularity of singing and talking pictures. The Community is now installing this apparatus at considerable expense, and will by the middle of December be ready again to take its place on a par with any theatre in the country in the quality of entertainment. Available pictures are being carefully combed over so that only the best will be shown for our winter visitors, and most of those will be first in this territory.

I'm sure you're going to enjoy our future entertainments, and I hope to have any further comments you will care to make.

Once more, let me thank you. With kindest regards, I am,

Very truly yours,


Irwin R. Waite,
Manager COMMUNITY Theatre

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December 6, 1928.

Mr. Irwin R. Waite,
Community Theatre,
Miami Beach.

Dear Mr. Waite:

Thanks for yours of the 29th. It gives me a lot of pleasure to learn that the Community Theatre is right on the job. Personally, I like to go to a theatre to be entertained. I like to see the bright things of life. Tears, broken hearts and bread lines don't help me at all during the evening and I believe most people feel the same towards moving pictures.

I enjoy any of the western pictures where they have cow boys, running horses, stage hold-ups, or anything in action. Charlie Chaplin, and Harold Lloyd are first, and also such as Douglas Fairbanks puts on are interesting.

However, I realize you are a business man and must "play to the crowd", but I heard so many complaints from people who would pay your top prices if you had better shows that I could not help but think it was my duty to drop you a note.

Best wishes for a successful season.

Very truly yours,

CGF:T

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by Carl C. Fisher, at bridge Thursday Night Oct
9th.

TIME: (From 10:15 to 11:)

GOD DAMN***** Christ.....Christ's Sake***** God Damn!!!!
What-the-Hell ***** CHRIST !!!! DIRTY LITTLE GOD DAM ----
WHAT-the-HELL!!!!!! (Ditto) JESUS CHRIST***** Christ????
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GOD DAM***** God DAM!!!!!!!!!! JESUS -----

- and so on into the night!

Publ.

February 1, 1928.

Mr. Kent Watson,
The Beach Pictorial,
Miami Beach.

Dear Kent:

Enclosed find check for \$200.00
to assist you with the paper. You
can get \$200. a month until April
first. Use the write-ups of the
hotels and people on the Beach as
you see fit but please see that you
leave me out of any publicity —
Give the publicity to our visitors.

Yours,

GCF:T

Copy to Mr. Kunschik.
Charge Advertising.

MEMORANDUM

FROM MR. FISHER

Personal
DATE February 27, 1929

TO Mr. C. S. Krom.

SUBJECT

My dear Charlie:

Replying to yours of February 25th. I knew I had you in bad the minute you made that crack about the cigars. I don't know how many hundred cigars I have smoked and helped other people smoke and I don't know of any other cigar as good as these. In the first place, the people who make these cigars have been actively in the cigar business for more than a hundred years. The present manager is a good friend of mine and he makes these cigars especially for me with the best tobacco in Cuba. He takes a good deal of pride in making these up for me and I have smoked them continuously for fifteen years and I know they are the equal of any cigar on earth.

However, being pure Cuban tobacco, they are most too strong for me to smoke, considering I smoke from fifteen to twenty-five cigars daily. I am now smoking a ten cent cigar which is probably about one half cabbage and the other half turnip, but the strain on my heart is not as great as it would be with the Cuban cigars. I reserve the Cuban cigars for after dinner, but these cigars should not be kept in stock in this country more than two or three months, and that is the reason why I sent them down to you.

You can rest assured your customers who smoke these cigars will find no other cigar better. They are not, however, a good cigar in the wind, on account of the way they are built, being tightly wrapped with pure Havana filler.

Yours,

CGF:T

Personality

March 18, 1939.

Mr. John N. Wheeler,
154 Nassau Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

I am glad you got home safely
and that you enjoyed the beer.

Isadore Duncan 's book is the
best book I have read in a long time.
It gives a great insight into the life
of some prominent women of her type.
I have bought fifty of them to distri-
bute among my friends. I like to give
away books.

Don't believe anything Lee
Owll says about me.

Here is a good line I got from
an old timer this morning. Says he has
just started in on his second million --
he is tired of trying to get his first
million.

Very truly yours,

CGF:T

June 27, 1939

Mr. A. J. Thomas,
Montauk, Long Island.

Dear Mr. Thomas:

I am enclosing copy of letter from Jim Cox of Dayton, Ohio, who made a bad run for President. His place is named "Trails End" the same as yours.

Jim is a great fellow and you ought to know him. Why not do me a little favor and drop him a note and tell him why you did name your place "Trails End"? The three of us could have a lot of fun some day talking over things. He squeezed his money out of a turnip, but I think you squeezed yours out of a beet, while I got mine out of a piece of dry rope.

Yours,

GGF:T

Res.

Montauk

Personality

July 5, 1929.

Schulte's Book Store, Inc.,
80 Fourth Avenue,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

Please send me one set
of "The Sexual Life of Savages in
Northwestern Melanesia" by Bronislaw
Malinowski. Also please send one
set to

Dr. John Oliver LaGorce,
National Geographic Society,
Washington, D. C.

Dr. LaGorce is a Doctor
of Literature in Washington and I
am a Psychologist.

Very truly yours,

T

By Secretary.

I enclose check for \$20.20 in payment.

The Sexual Life of Savages

The Author

DR. MALINOWSKI belongs in the front rank of the world's anthropologists. He is a professor at London University, and the author of many important anthropological works, including *Sex and Repression in Savage Society*, *Myth in Primitive Psychology*, etc. The present work is the fruit of a long sojourn in the islands, where the author lived among the natives, speaking their language, gaining the confidence, and winning a more intimate knowledge of their lives and customs than any white man had yet succeeded in doing.

The Book

DR. MALINOWSKI presents the whole fabric of family life and sexual life among these people. He traces the emotional life cycle of the individual Melanesian; he describes the organization of the family and the nature of family life; he deals with the various forms of love-making and the formal erotic orgies; he interprets the psychology of primitive love with a sympathy that is wholly free from sentimentality. Part of the work is in the form of a narrative of the life history of a representative couple through all the experiences of courtship, marriage, pregnancy and child-birth, with their accompanying ritual.

The Melanesians may be regarded as a genuinely primitive people, almost untouched by civilized sophistication. They employ love-magic to stimulate sexual excitement; they hold orgiastic dances and ceremonies for the same purpose; they sanction extravagant forms of erotic indulgence. They observe no privacy in their sexual life.

Yet, as the author says in his introduction, "the natives treat sex not only as a source of pleasure, but indeed as a thing serious and even sacred. Nor do their customs and ideas eliminate from sex its power to transform crude material fact into wonderful spiritual experience, to throw the romantic glamour of love over the technicalities of love-making. The institutions of the Trobriand community allow mere brutal passion to ripen into life-long love, to be shot through with personal affinities, to be strengthened by the manifold bonds and attachments created through the advent of children, by the mutual anxieties and hopes, by the common aims and interests of family life."

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OFFICE OF THE
GENERAL MANAGER
DAYTON, OHIO

August 12, 1929

Politics

Dear Skip:

I have just returned from Miami after spending several weeks there and three days in Havana. I sure you will be glad to know that I sold the Cuban government through their Tourists Commission, ten pages of rotogravure to start in Miami December 15th and run on through January and February. They received us in Havana with every courtesy and all the fine things you told me about them were reflected in their treatment of us while there.

To get down to the matter at hand. The referendum on the Port Commission comes up in October. I discussed this matter with several people and after getting their views, I got together with Roddy Burdine, who as you know, has more political sense than anyone I know in Miami. He first suggested that Jack Orr be the member of this commission from Miami Beach and it sounded good, but on reflection we both thought that perhaps you fellows would select a very high grade man to represent the Beach and we would run Jack Orr for Commissioner at large and I am sure he can be elected hands down. With two good representatives from the Beach, I think it would be a grave mistake at this time to try to beat Sewell, for after all, the people of that community remember that he has devoted a considerable part of his life, whether it be selfish or not, or whether or not his efforts have been fruitful, the fact remains it is in the minds of the people of Miami that he has done a splendid work for them. So, recognizing that as a fact, I believe it would be good politics and good business to allow Sewell to run and in fact, support him. With your man from the Beach, Jack Orr as Commissioner at large and one other high grade man that we can pick in Miami, we will have three members on the Board who will do the things that you have always wanted to be done. As a matter of fact, I think things look more hopeful than they ever have before.

I am going to watch this situation carefully and I plan to go to Miami about the 15th of November and if necessary, I will devote all my time to this purpose. I have impressed upon our boys the fact that probably the most important thing confronting us this fall was the election of the Port Commission, so we will have no trouble on that score.

None of us are infallible, however, so I will be very pleased to have a letter from you expressing your views as to what you think of our ideas.

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Mr. Carl G. Fisher

#2

August 12, 1929

How are the boats coming along? I am surely looking forward to a trip to the Grand Bahamas in that new boat.

Florence and the kids join me in sending love to Margaret and yourself. With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Dan

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Montauk, Long Island

Personally

August 18, 1939.

Hon. Ruth Bryan Owen,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ruth:

Yours of the 11th received. I have not anything to do with the band at Miami Beach. If I did have anything to do with it and they had another band like they had a year ago I would go over with a shot gun and shoot them full of salt.

I understand they are not going to have a band there this coming season but have installed a loud speaker with a radio outfit and a very large victrola.

Best regards.

Yours very truly,

CGF:T

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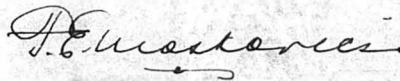
My dear Carl:

Replying to yours of September twelfth, I do not know how I could have been more definite about the gold vase, than I was in my epitaph. You poor fish, it is a spittoon! Use it thusly. Cannot you read?

I hope you will like it, but I thought, in view of Caley's criticism of your spitting, you ought to, at least, have an ornate spitter.

I am sending a copy of your letter to Mr. Headington, Manager of the Stutz New York Company, with the idea that he will get in touch with you to try to sell your car.

Sincerely yours,



F. E. Moskovich

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MY CREED

Happiness is the only good.
The place to be happy is here.
The time to be happy is now.
The way to be happy is to
make others so.

—Robert G. Ingersoll.

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Dec. 23, 1929

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I take the liberty of congratulating you again, on having had the foresight to reserve your set of these beautiful books before publication. You secure a very sizable reduction in price by that means -- one-third! -- and you have the honor to be one of the Founder-Subscribers.

If you are thrilled and delighted by your contact with Ingersoll, and feel moved to express your impressions of him in this new Dresden Memorial edition, I should be happy to hear from you.

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Cordially yours,

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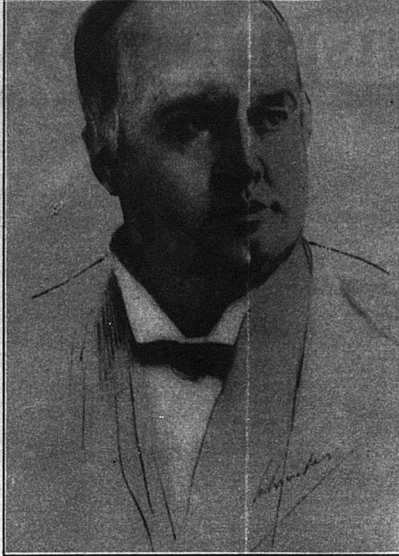
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If you desire knowledge, if you wish to ennoble yourself, improve your thinking power, and make your talk sparkle with wit and logic—get acquainted with the writings of Robert G. Ingersoll!

INGERSOLL fearlessly set down the facts about religion and morality, marriage and divorce, politics and international rivalries.

He had no axe to grind! He was after the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth. He got it. And he gives it to you with a gaiety and power that excites your highest admiration, your keenest enjoyment.

It also excites the fury of those whose worn-out frauds he demolishes. He carried on a thirty years war with bigotry and fanaticism in the church.

They called on Heaven to strike him dead! But he lived and flourished! There must have been a blessing on his work for it has won over and reformed a large element amongst the clergy, and is steadily gaining ground.

He declared the doctrine of eternal damnation for infants who died without baptism was "damnable doctrine." He denounced a "God" who would perpetrate abominations like that—or who would maintain a hideous institution like Hell. Threats of everlasting punishment he regarded as little better than blackmail on the part of the worst element in the clergy—to extract whatever they demanded from their congregations.

Ingersoll marched up and down this broad land of "freedom" amongst a clergy so benighted, and a people so brow-beaten by them, that his coming caused upheavals. The people were forbidden to listen to him.

Single-handed Ingersoll broke the tyranny of these theologians over their terror-stricken flocks. He brought

forth the facts about religion. He told how religion originates, how it is exploited in the interests of its priests, and how it needs renewing and purification as man advances and widens his sympathies.

He made them laugh at the phantoms which once filled the Heavens. He nailed their superstitions—their imps and Satans—to the Cross. He took the threat of infant damnation from the cradle, and he took the terror from the ending of life. He reformed the priest-craft and pierced with shafts of light the cloistered ignorance and bigotry in which they were being trained. He forced modern religion to civilize itself, by demanding a God, not of vengeance and jealousy, but of love and mercy, who should be at least as kind-hearted and forgiving as a decent, modern MAN!

"An honest God," said Ingersoll with his winning smile, "is the noblest work of MAN!"

Ingersoll built his Heaven here on Earth, and helped other people to do as much for themselves. In pursuit of this plan for promoting a Paradise in the world we know, he turned his keen mind from religion to morality, war, crime, punishment, divorce and family life.

He had pungent truths to reveal on every topic! The vigor and insight and prophetic vision of his point of view will astonish you.

Many years ago he wrote: "If we wish to do away with war we must provide for the settlement of national differences by an international court." There is the germ of the World Court, now tardily nearing adoption. That idea has been growing and spreading for

years, and few people realize it is to Ingersoll the world owes it!

Ingersoll was wonderfully educated. He went to the great scientists for his facts. He studied history and the classics. He memorized the best of Shakespeare. He listened to the great operas and orchestras. He visited the galleries of art where hang the master paintings of the world. He was a distinguished soldier, a successful lawyer, and the greatest orator of modern times. He befriended and helped all who came to him. And between times managed to be a railroad president and an extremely active figure in national politics.

He KNEW what he was writing about. His genius united all his varied experiences into radiant wisdom.

"His famous lecture on The Gods placed Robert G. Ingersoll among the Immortals," writes Senator Charles S. Thomas. "He became the most prominent American of his time. He enriched literature with lectures, criticisms, commentaries and discussions upon almost every subject of public concern."

But he was not carried away by the adulation of the mob. "Honor, place, fame, glory, riches— they are ashes, smoke, dust, disappointment, unless there is somebody in the world you love, somebody who loves you; unless there is some place that you can call home, some place where you can feel the arms of children around your neck, some place that is made absolutely sacred by the love of others."

That is how close he stayed to the eternal truths!

"Who is a worshipper?" he asked. "One who makes

a happy home; one who fills the lives of wife and children with sunlight; one who has a heart where the flowers of kindness burst into blossom and fill the air with perfume!"

Ingersoll was a "worshipper" in the strictest sense of his beautiful definition. His family life was a perfect thing. He had a rare gift for making people happy, making them not only love him, but each other—all feeling at home with themselves as well as with him. Authors, painters, musicians, actors, statesmen loved to come to him to enjoy the play of his wit, to be encouraged to new efforts and for comfort in disappointment and sorrow. He raised them up to new levels of thought and feeling—as he is raising up thousands through his writings!

His famous lecture on Shakespeare laid upon Shakespeare's tomb a wreath of flowers that can not wither as long as Hamlet keeps his tryst with his father's spirit or Macbeth murders sleep through Duncan's death.

His terrible Vision of War is a mural painting, vividly showing all the scenes of conflict. His tribute to childhood is a poem, "the music of which can never be sung." He wrote a thousand "Golden Rules". He lived up to, and gave to the world, a new ideal of marriage, home and children.

We of today can follow the trail he blazed through the undergrowth of prejudice, ignorance and superstition to the sunlit spaces of power and poise and fearlessness. The road to freedom is open in these books. They make the world a fairer, brighter place to live!

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His works are an inspiration to the whole earth.

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—Oscar S. Straus, banker and philanthropist.

Ingersoll had all the attributes of a perfect man, and in my opinion no finer personality ever existed. Judging from the past, I can not help thinking that the intention of the Supreme Intelligence that rules the world is to ultimately make such a type of man universal.

—Thomas A. Edison.

BOB DAVIS

of

The  **Sun**

NEW YORK.

**The most widely
traveled newspaper
correspondent in
the world**

HIS ASSIGNMENT

"My only instructions are that you see everything and write about it in your own vein. To you in the future, the whole earth is a local story."

**William T. Dewart,
President, The Sun.**

WHO-WHAT-AND-WHY?

“**B**OB” Davis, in 1887, began his career as a compositor in the Carson, Nevada, Appeal. In 1891 he went to San Francisco, where for five years he worked as a reporter on the Chronicle, Call, Bulletin, Examiner. In 1896 he came from the Pacific Coast to the staff of the New York Morning Journal for which newspaper he covered special assignments all over the United States. From the New York Journal he went to the Morning World.

In May, 1903, Frank A. Munsey invited Davis to come into the magazine field as one of his staff of magazine editors. That was the beginning of an association which for twenty-five years identified Davis with the leading fiction writers of America and England.

During this quarter of a century he sought out and brought into the public eye a group of authors whose reputations have not dimmed with the passing years. This long list of distinguished writers who have acknowledged the influence Davis exercised over the formative periods of their lives

stands as a testimony to his judgment. Among those whose manuscripts he was the first to accept, all of them contributing for a long time to the magazines which he edited, are Mary Roberts Rinehart, Fannie Hurst, Dorothy Canfield, Sophie Kerr, Nalbro Bartley, Montague Glass, Ben Ames Williams, Octavus Roy Cohen, Louis Joseph Vance, Sam Hellman, Charles Francis Coe, Frank Condon, Edison Marshall, Charles Alden Seltzer, Frank Packard, Zane Grey, James Oliver Curwood, Charles Neville Buck, Max Brand, E. J. Rath, George Weston, Arthur Somers Roche, George Jean Nathan and numberless poets. The list includes the writers of best sellers since the beginning of the twentieth century.

Davis, it was, who located O. Henry upon the arrival of the Bagdad merchant at New York in 1903. The year following Davis placed Sydney Porter under contract to write for the Munsey periodicals. Through this contact an intimate friendship was established because of which Davis is today probably the best informed of O. Henry's numerous biographers. He has in his possession the largest number extant of the unpublished letters of the premier short story writer of his time.

These epistles will appear later on in a volume from the pen of Davis devoted to the life of Porter.

More than sixty authors have dedicated books to Bob Davis, added to which his own introductions and prefaces are to be found in the volumes of twenty of his contemporaries. Among the files and classified correspondence, which he has been collecting since 1903, there are not less than 25,000 separate items bearing upon the whole history of popular fiction in America. Arnold Bennett describes Davis as one of "the most dramatic and enthralling letter writers alive—an exceeding brilliant master of construction and phrase." His personal acquaintance is perhaps the most extensive of any living editor and ramifies to all quarters of the globe. From these familiars, together with his vast accumulation of intimate letters, he will soon begin the compilation of a two-volume work, entitled "Thirty Years Among the Immortals."

In September, 1925, accompanied by a life long friend, Samuel G. Blythe, Davis, packed up and started westward on a tour of the world. The trip was scheduled to consume a year, but after emerging from the tropics

on the way across to Egypt, the editor received a cable at Cairo, announcing the death of Frank A. Munsey in New York on December 23rd. Bob reported back within a fortnight and asked for instructions. William T. Dewart, whom Mr. Munsey designated as his chief executor, directed Mr. Davis to carry out his original intentions with reference to world wandering. "And don't stop," said he, "until you've seen all there is of this globe. Keep moving through all lands and among all peoples. Write what you hear, see and think. I will set aside on the editorial page of the Sun Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays a column in which you can write without restraint what you have observed and the contacts you have made should be recorded. You have spent all your life hunting up authors, now find yourself."

"Give me a caption for the column," Davis asked. "Bob Davis Recalls," replied Dewart, "the whole world is your assignment. My only instructions are that you see everything and write about it in your own vein. For every day you spend around the office you'll be docked. To you in the future, this whole earth is a local story."

Thus, in January, 1926, Bob Davis began a career of world girdling that has lead him into all countries and all zones. William T. Dewart, afterwards became the President of the New York Sun, mutualized the property so that its ownership is held among the staff, and made Davis one of the directors. Since the inauguration of Bob's "keep-moving" assignment, he has traveled 130,000 miles, written 500 columns, four books, started a syndicate, and is now on a spring motor tour across the American continent gathering material for "The Sun." His intention is to visit every State and return to New York the end of June; then depart for Norway, Sweden, Russia, across the continent of Europe, down to the Mediterranean and thence into the South American countries, returning by way of China, Japan and Honolulu.

Despite the fact that he seems to take life easy, Davis turns out never less than 1,000 words a day aside from keeping up his voluminous correspondence to all corners of the globe. He is the author of the "Ode to the Printing Press," the most widely paraphrased poem in the English language, there being more than 1,800 pirated versions

in existence. The original poem was printed in all languages and has a place in the text-books of the public schools. Ten thousand bronze plates were cast by the R. Hoe & Company for distribution among their clients. The ode follows:

I AM THE PRINTING PRESS.

I am the printing press, born of the mother earth.
My heart is of steel, my limbs are of iron, and my fingers are of brass.
I sing the songs of the world, the oratorios of history, the symphonies of all time.
I am the voice of to-day, the herald of to-morrow.
I weave into the warp of the past the woof of the future. I tell the stories of peace and war alike.
I make the human heart beat with passion or tenderness. I stir the pulse of nations, and make brave men do braver deeds, and soldiers die.
I inspire the midnight toiler, weary at his loom, to lift his head again and gaze, with fearlessness, into the vast beyond, seeking the consolation of a hope eternal.
When I speak, a myriad people listen to my voice. The Saxon, the Latin, the Celt, the Hun, the Slav, the Hindu, all comprehend me.

I am the tireless clarion of the news.
I cry your joys and sorrows every
hour. I fill the dullard's mind
with thoughts uplifting. I am
light, knowledge, power. I epitomize the conquests of mind over matter.

I am the record of all things mankind has achieved. My offspring comes to you in the candle's glow, amid the dim lamps of poverty, the splendor of riches: at sunrise, at high noon, and in the waning evening.

I am the laughter and tears of the world, and I shall never die until all things return to the immutable dust.

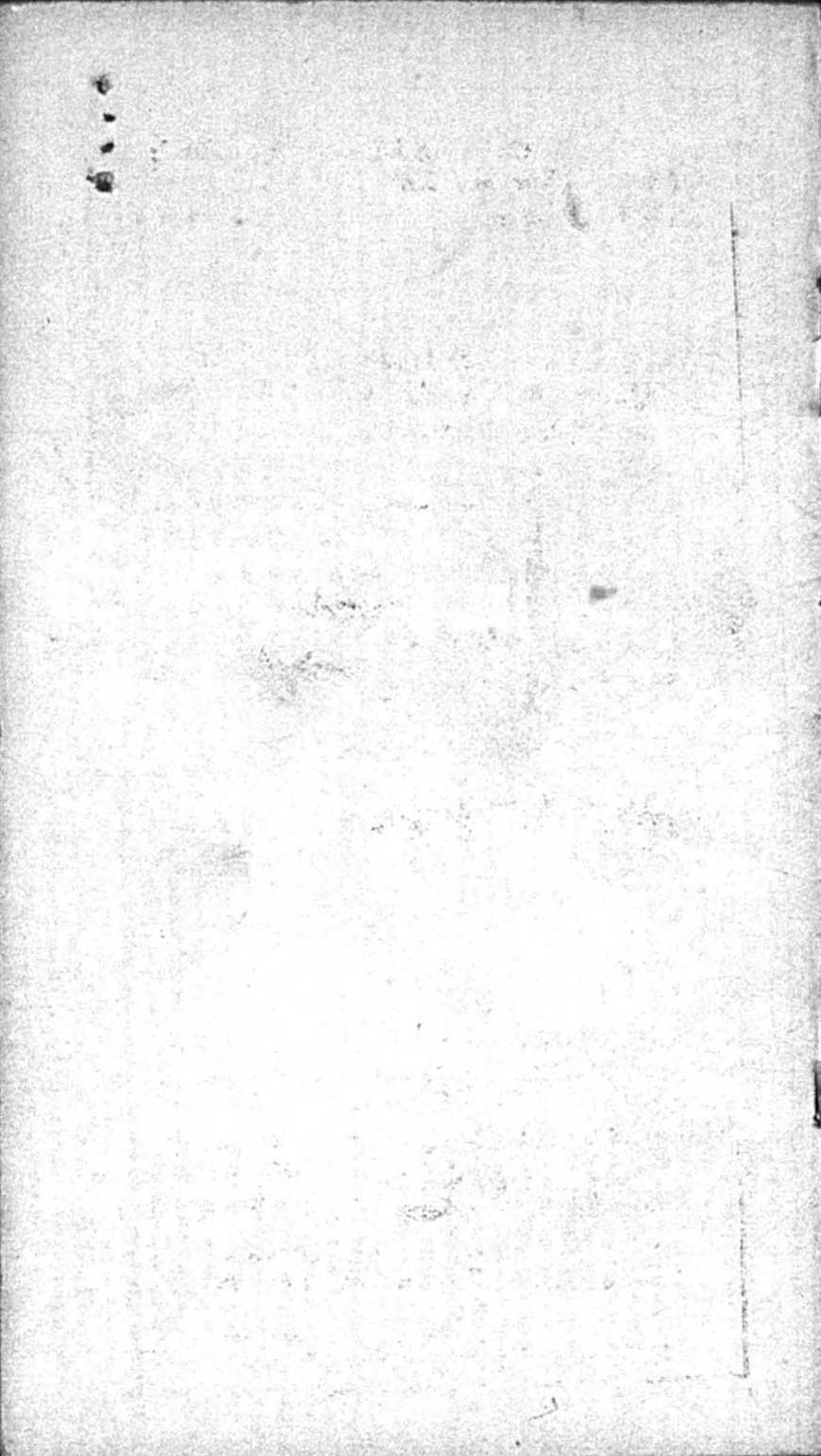
I am the printing press.

His plays are: "The Family," "The Welcher," "Corralled," "The Marriage Lease," "The Guilty Conscience," "The Room Without a Number," "Any House" (with Owen Davis), "Efficiency," "Laughter" (with Perley Poore Sheehan).

His books: "We Are French" (in collaboration with Perley Poore Sheehan), "The Rape of the River," "Ruby Robert alias Bob Fitzsimmons," "Over My Left Shoulder," "Bob Davis Recalls," "Bob Davis Again—In Many Moods," and "Bob Davis Abroad." (Appleton, August 1929).

Irvin S Cobb, in his preface to Bob's book, "Over My Left Shoulder," says:

"To not many men of this generation has been given the chance to sit in on so much of the passing show of our planet as Bob Davis has seen with his own eyes, and recorded for future reference within the perfect card index of his own brain. Other than Bob Davis there is no living man known to me who combines with that experience and that knowledge, a remembering mind, an ability to sift out reasons, facts and sane deductions, and finally a power to set down in printed words the pictures and the images with so much of truth and so much of youthful enthusiasm that the reader thereof may catch color, taste and feel of the things described. * * * * I like to think it is because everybody with whom he has come in personal or professional contact—which means practically everybody worth while in these United States during the past three or four decades—has instinctively realized that within that churn-shaped body of his the milk of human kindness is proof against clabbering. He is the most unselfish, the most generous, the most modest and the most forbearing creature I ever knew—and that goes for bird dogs, too."



The Sun

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January 31, 1930.

My dear Carl:

Thank you for "On the Trail of Ancient Man", by Roy Chapman Andrews, which I shall read with the same avidity that my friend, Bob Ward consumes stone crabs and with no guarantee of a belly-ache.

You have a discriminating taste for good books and I place you among the very few of my friends whose selections are worth reading. Bartenders, embalmers, and shooting gallery proprietors send me with high recommendation certain books that I am supposed to absorb. Ninety per cent of them are rubbish. At the present rate of production American posterity is doomed to be saturated with a tremendous stock of unimportant information. The best books clubs are responsible for much of it.

As far as I am concerned, I deal in thin literature. Will you accept the enclosed. You are not obliged to read the preface. Hazlitt, however, you must not neglect, the more so because of your predilections for the prize ring.

You will be interested to know that Bob Ward, who called at your house with me, is on the trail of a schooner which he intends to buy, in which we will go to that exquisite spot on the Florida coast and ~~slay~~ more tarpon on the bezer.

I hope you have completely recovered from your indisposition and are now able to stay up all night.

Ever, with best wishes,



Carl G. FISHER, Esq.
Forty-ninth and Alton Road
Miami Beach, Florida

RHD:HL

Enc.

March 5, 1930.

Politics

Mr. Frank S. Dawless,
1319 Meridian Avenue,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Answering your enquiry as to the operation of the Council-Manager plan of municipal government for the City of Miami Beach; it is my opinion that the system has worked with excellent business precision in our community.

Much of the success of this form of government depends, I must point out, on the choice of a City Manager and the cooperation and harmony existing between the governing civic body and the City Manager. Miami Beach has been especially fortunate in these premises.

We have a Council of seven men, all of them in business and having the best interests of the community at heart, and none of them dependent on any recompense derived from their civic association. Claude A. Renshaw, the City Manager, has administered the affairs of this municipality in an admirable manner. As a matter of fact, this unusual city which has grown from a mangrove swamp to an internationally popular resort within the short space of twelve years, operates its business affairs with the definite business-like administration of a huge corporation.

It should be noted that the City has assets in excess of liabilities of more than \$4,000,000,000. And this in view of a devastating hurricane and a real estate depression which cast doom for many similar communities but which were little more than a retarding influence in this community with its business-like form of government.

The Council-Manager form of government at Miami Beach has unqualifiedly gained the confidence of the property owners and business interests of the community by its conservative though always progressive methods.

Mr. Frank S. Dawless,
March 5, 1930,
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I do not hesitate to recommend the Council-
Manager form of government. But I again point
out that much of its success depends upon the
ability and sincerity of the public servant
chosen as the business administrator and the
aldermen who are elected to guide his policies.

Very truly yours,

Carl G. Fisher.

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MEMORANDUM

Politics

FROM MR. FISHER

*Fisher Hotels
house detective*

DATE April 24, 1930

TO Mr. M. J. Glenn.

SUBJECT

Get a girl on the telephone at once and call up every Beach resident that has not been registered; find out if they are going to register or if they have left the City. Make a close check to see how many people will be here to vote. If necessary, make a canvass.

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Personal
THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Fisher

DATE May 1, 1930.

FROM C. W. Chase, Jr.

SUBJECT _____

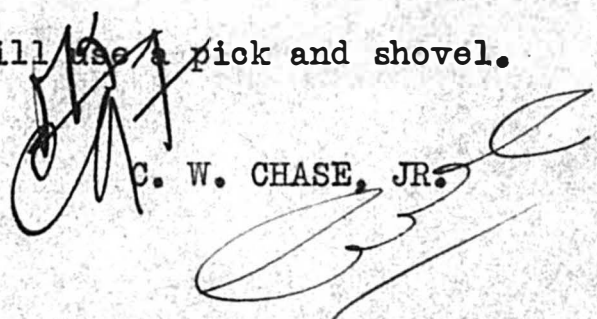
When you told me yesterday morning to pick out any \$10,000. Alton Beach lot and you would give me a deed to it, you just about knocked me dizzy.

I have selected an \$8,000. Alton Road lot near 14th Street, that we sold back in 1923 and have since repossessed. This lot has no sales possibility at this time but I believe as you do, that some day Alton Road is going to come in big.

I don't know how to thank you for your generosity and all you have done for me since you picked me off the molasses tanks down at Key West over nine years ago.

Whenever you have any more mules to bury, I can still use a pick and shovel.

CWC:M


C. W. CHASE, JR.

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

Politics

MEMO TO Messrs. Collins and Fisher ✓

DATE May 24, 1930

FROM Paul Kunschik

SUBJECT Politics

Mr. Muir has handed me a letter from Evans & Merston, Attorneys, asking that you endorse the candidacy of Judge Uly O. Thompson who is opposed by one, James R. Cooper, to the extent of placing your name on the attached blank endorsement, the intention being to publish these names in the newspapers a few days before the primary June 3rd. Mr. Muir has also handed me a letter from Floyd L. Knight, Attorney, seeking a contribution of \$100.00 to help defray expenses of full page advertisements showing the names of persons endorsing Judge Thompson.

It seems that two years ago the Fisher Properties thru the individuals endorsed the candidacy of Judge Rose in a similar manner. At that time it was a foregone conclusion that Rose would be elected and it was deemed to be good politics to endorse the winner in order to get better consideration in the courts for any cases in which we might be interested. The same conditions exist this year in the race for judgeship between Thompson and Cooper. We feel that Thompson will be elected, but it is not quite as certain as it was two years ago that Judge Rose would be elected. If we publicly endorsed the candidacy of Judge Thompson and he were defeated the incumbent Judge Cooper might retaliate by making it more difficult for us to get actions thru his court. We feel that Judge Thompson is the better man, but the best man doesn't always win.

I advised Mr. Muir that you had given \$500.00 to the Good Government Club and it was my impression that this was the extent of the contributions that you proposed to make in this campaign. I, however, agreed to place this proposition before you and if you are interested and care to contribute either your personal endorsement or financial endorsement, if you will so advise by wire or air mail, as the time is getting short, I shall be very glad to carry out your wishes.

PK:MKH

Paul Kunschik
PAUL KUNSCHIK

MEMORANDUM

FROM MR. FISHER

DATE May 31, 1960

TO Mr. Irving A. Collins.

SUBJECT

Politics

Dear Irv:

As time goes on, it is quite apparent that we have not the right politicians at Miami Beach looking after our interests. While Walter was alive, he was a dominating figure and of great assistance to us in many of these contests. When we leave the country, we leave really no guardian except John, and John is doing the best he can.

My idea is to immediately make Mike Glenn a strong political factor. We know we can trust him but he cannot be a strong political figure without money. I suggest that we immediately vote Mike five thousand dollars fund to use as he may see fit in handling political questions of this kind. Unless we do this, it is going to cost us a good many thousands of dollars above the five thousand.

If either of us were there to defend ourselves, we would be in much better position. John can only do what he can do, and so far as I see, we have no one else on the Beach who gives a damn whether they assess us reasonable or outrageously. Certainly the time has come when we must have someone there we can depend upon, and I don't know who we have there we can depend upon more than Mike. He fills two or three positions now.

Of course, we can expect Dan's support but Dan will soon be leaving there and then we will have to drift.

I would like to get this matter straightened out quickly; otherwise, it is going to cost us a lot of money and embarrassment which we should not have to pay; but it is the old saying, "When the oats are away, the mice will play." If you will write me at once, I will write Mike and get him busy. He is doing all he can without any additional cash, but you know and I know how much money we have spent in the past in various ways, and certainly \$5,000 won't touch the various sums I have spent in the past when as much as \$40,000 or \$50,000 went to variously guard our interests.

Let me hear from you at once.

CGF:T

June 7, 1930.

Politics

Mr. Irving A. Collins,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Irv:

I have yours of the 6th. The trouble with the political situation at Miami Beach as I see it is, we cannot get Ben Shepard except at a very stiff figure that I know you would not care to pay.

Experience has shown in the past that the type of men of Mike Glenn's character are political leaders in very large sections of the country, such as Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Indianapolis, and other cities of that type. If you look back over the political leaders of the last hundred years, you will find they are the type of politicians who stick to the job and make friends.

Just why you don't care for Mike, I don't understand; but so far he is the best bet I know of and he is recommended for the post by one of the acknowledged most astute politicians in the United States. It was not my idea to have him appear as a political leader but merely as an interested and paid employee of our company.

If somebody does not get on the job down there, it is going to cost us a lot of money and it is going to cost us so quick it will make your head swim -- and another thing, it will be money you will never get back and once started it will be impossible to stop the expenditure. You are probably aware of what Ansberry has started and unless somebody looks out for these situations they are going to continually occur.

Yours,

GGV:7

FROM STEVE HANNAGAN
MIAMI BEACH NEWS SERVICE
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

To
Frank S DAWless
Fetter apt
1319 Meridian av
mb

Answering your inquiry as to the operation of the Council-Manager plan of municipal government for the City of Miami Beach, ~~in my opinion~~ it is my opinion that the system has worked with excellent business precision in our community.

Much of the success of this form of government depends, I must point out, on the choice of a city manager and the cooperation and harmony existing between the governing civic body and the city manager however. Miami Beach ~~taxxxx~~ has been especially fortunate in these premises.

We have a council of seven men, all of them in business and having the best interests of the community at heart. ~~INSIST~~ Claude A Renshaw, the city manager, has administered the affairs of the municipality in an admirable manner. As a matter of fact this unusual city which has grown from a mangrove swamp to an internationally popular resort within the short space of twelve years, ~~it~~ operates its business affairs with the definite businesslike administration of a huge corporation.

It must be pointed out that the city has assets in excess of liabilities of more than \$4,000,000,000. And this in view of a devastating hurricane and a real estate depression which ~~retarded~~ cast doom for many similar communities but which were little more than a retarding influence in this community with its businesslike form of government.

The Council-Manager form of government at Miami Beach unqualifiedly has gained the confidence of the property owners and business interests of the community by its conservative though always progressive methods.

I do not hesitate to recommend the form of government. But I again point out that much of its success depends upon the ability and sincerity of the public servant chosen as the business administrator and the aldermen who are elected to guide his policies.

Cordially,

Carl G Fisher

P. L. H. C.

DADE COUNTY CITIZENS COMMITTEE

June 21st, 1930

Dear Voter:

The run-off primary to be held on Tuesday, June 24th, is of outstanding importance to the citizens of Dade County. Not only is its outcome of deep interest to the community, but the eyes of the world are focused on Greater Miami. It will be decided at the polls in this second primary whether or not decency and honesty in the administration of public affairs are to prevail, or whether unscrupulous politicians who put self-interest ahead of the general welfare, are to take charge of affairs at the courthouse.

Careful scrutiny of the qualifications and the background of candidates for important offices, leads us to endorse enthusiastically the following:

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| For County Commissioner - | F. G. (Pat) Railey |
| For County Solicitor - | George E. McCaskill |
| For Clerk of the Criminal Court - | Frank Markle |
| For County Purchasing Agent - | A. S. (Red) Eldredge |

The Watson-Pine-McCall-Wheat forces are well organized. Do not minimize that fact. It is leaving no stone unturned to get out a heavy vote. This machine is spending lots of money, some of which there is reason to believe is coming from Palm Island. If you voted in the June 3rd primary, you may have noticed this.

Not only is it necessary for every citizen - man and woman - who believes in clean, honest government, to vote for Messrs. Railey, McCaskill, Markle and Eldredge, on Tuesday June 24th, but it is his or her duty to urge others to support these worthy candidates.

The welfare of the community is at stake. We are counting on you not to fail in this emergency.

Yours very truly,

DADE COUNTY CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Politics

June 30, 1930.

Mr. Irving A. Collins,
Hotel Bayerischerhof,
Munich, Germany.

My dear Irv:

Replying to yours of the 19th regarding a daily newspaper for the Beach. Such a paper, if we are to support same, would only cost us more in advertising and less support from the strongest newspaper in the entire state, namely, The Miami Daily News. We could not operate a large newspaper without great expense, and certainly a newspaper is "hell" to get mixed up with. We have already put \$10,000. in one newspaper and there are now several newspapers on the Beach. I am not for it from any angle.

Enclosed herewith is letter from John regarding tax matters, also my reply. This is as I have been expecting it for some time, and from now on we are going to have a regular battle on the tax situation that is going to cost us a good many thousands of dollars.

It is for this reason I think we had better continue Mike Glenn for most of the season to look after the general interests at the Beach. Among the voters he comes in contact with, at least, it would mean a good deal.

We have had two very nice week ends but our hotel is running about fifty per cent of last season. But other resort hotels in the country are doing the same or worse. However, anticipating a rather dull season, we have our expenses cut.

Best regards.

Yours,

CGF:T

Pd. 1005

DEMOCRATS

FOR LOWER TAXES AND GOOD GOVERNMENT
VOTE FOR THE FOLLOWING DEMOCRAT
NOMINEES

FOR COMMISSIONER 3RD DISTRICT
F. G. (PAT) RAILEY X

FOR COUNTY SOLICITOR
GEO. McCASKILL X

FOR CLERK OF CRIMINAL COURT
FRANK MARKLE X

FOR COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT
A. S. (RED) ELDREDGE X

INSTRUCTIONS

TO VOTE FOR ANY CANDIDATE MAKE A CROSS
(X) AT THE RIGHT OF HIS NAME

Dade County Citizens' Committee

Take this to the polls with you



Policies

Mast Hope

July 20th

Dear Carl:

Robert Law, Joseph Adams and Bob Gifford and I got together in New York recently making arrangements for the northern dinner of the Committee of One Hundred to be held at the hotel Biltmore, the evening of October 8th. Further details and invitations will be sent to all members of the Comm ttee later. Please put that date in your calendar as we want you there without fail. I hope to see you before then to talk over some of the details and get your suggestions concerning speakers and program.

I enclose a letter just received from Went Watson. There seems to be a runour about before I left that you were supporting Bankhead for Mayor. I always answered that by saying that I did not think you had come out for any one and probably would not until later on in the season. While I have no special brief for Katzentine, I ~~feel~~ it would be a great mistake to get Ban^Khead into that position. His associations with Capone and other undesirables in Miami Beach and Miami are well known, and he has tried to block almost every thing that the Council has attempted the past year.

Roddey Burdine writes me that he thinks Jack Orr would be well enough to enter the race for Mayor of the Beach. I have written Jack and believe that if we could put up a man like Jack Orr, it would be a great benefit to our entire community.

I stopped in Washington on my way north, talking with Jack

LaGorce and a number of Washington officials about inviting some of the Latin American diplomats to be our guests on Miami Beach next February for the annual ball. I think we could get about thirty of the Ministers and Ambassadors from the Latin American Republics who are at Washington to be our guests at that time. The Pan American Union will cooperate with us in every way, and I believe the event would give us tremendous publicity through out the country and also in Latin America.

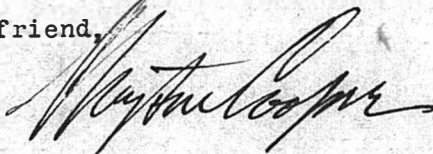
Elizabeth and I will be very glad to make you a brief visit at Montauk in August. Will you kindly let us know what time would seem most feasible for us to come. I think we shall plan to drive down there from our camp.

I heard a good toast the other day

Here's to Hell---
May your stay there be as pleasant
As the way there.

Elizabeth joins me in our best to you and Margaret.

Faithfully your friend,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Winston Churchill".

July 31, 1930.

Mr. Clayton S. Cooper,
East Hope,
Pennsylvania.

My dear Clayton:

I have yours of the 20th. We have not come out for anybody for Mayor at the Beach and we are only waiting now to find out who we could get that would be a good mayor

I think Jack Orr would be splendid if he is well enough to take the job and I think he could be elected without trouble.

There are all kinds of rumors about our support and our organization that we cannot possibly head off. But we have not committed ourselves to any one.

Yours,

OGP:T

A. FRANK KATZENTINE
JUDGE

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WESLEY M. MARTIN
CLERK OF COURT
ROSINA FINOCCHIARO
SECRETARY TO JUDGE

MUNICIPAL COURT
OF THE
CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

July 28, 1930.

Hon. Carl G. Fisher,
Montauk Point,
Long Island, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Fisher:

After much deliberation and with considerable thought with regard to my own future, I have determined, on the advice of good friends, to seek the office of Mayor in the coming election in December. Among those who have advised me to run are Mr. Cooper, Mr. Pancoast and many others.

I have worked quite diligently, prior to making my decision, to see as to whether or not I would be acceptable to the best interests of our town, and whether or not I was justified in running, as, of course, I would not like to lose.

I am writing you this letter in no sense to ask you to commit yourself to support me in any way, until you have first looked the situation over, but to let you know that more than anyone else I would appreciate your influence, and, if possibly you can see your way clear to aid me, to allow me to seek advice from time to time when you return, as to the campaign.

So far, only Bankhead and Cleary have avowed their intentions, and it is believed that I will have a good chance, because of the fact that possibly I will be able to split the South Beach vote.

FRANK KATZENTINE
JUDGE



WESLEY M. MARTIN
CLERK OF COURT
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SECRETARY TO JUDGE

MUNICIPAL COURT
OF THE
CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

July 27, 1930.

CGF--2.

Of course, this is not good politics, so I am told, but nevertheless, I admit quite freely to you that I would like very much to have the position because of the prestige it would give me, and, further, as a possible aid in securing new business for my law office.

I hope that you have enjoyed your summer and that this letter finds both you and your wife in good health.

I am, Sir, With kindest personal regards,

Respectfully yours,

Frank Katzentine

AFK/T.

August 2, 1930.

Judge A. Frank Katsentine,
Miami Beach,
Florida.

My dear Judge:

Replying to yours of the 28th:
We have not done a thing regarding politics
and won't do anything for some time.

Of course, our main idea at Miami Beach
is to get a strong substantial set of
officials who will stay put and control
Miami Beach as it has been controlled in
the past.

I will probably be in Miami Beach
within the next four or five weeks and
will be very glad to talk with you.

Very truly yours,

GGF:T

THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Fisher

DATE August 16, 1930.

FROM G. W. Chase, Jr.

SUBJECT Politics

In looking over the political situation down here the present conditions point very strongly to Col. Bankhead being the far strongest candidate for Mayor who have yet announced themselves.

From present indications it would appear that Cleary, Katzentine and Bankhead are to be the candidates. I think Bankhead would win out today over the other candidates by two or three to one.

I don't believe we should come out yet to back any particular candidate. I also believe it would be a great mistake for us to back any man who apparently stands very little chance of winning.

Of course conditions may change in the next two months, but I feel you should know what the general opinion is amongst a wide range of classes of our Miami Beach voters.

C. W. CHASE, JR.



CWC:S



THE CARL G. FISHER PROPERTIES

MEMO TO Mr. Fisher

DATE August 20, 1930.

FROM C. W. Chase, Jr.

SUBJECT Polihro

The City Council today voted four to three to rescind the first and second readings on the newly proposed zoning ordinance, and to postpone any action on the zoning until some time in ~~December~~. *Nov.*

The four men who voted to do this are Mead, Bankhead, Clements and Hice.. Greatly opposed to these men and desiring very much to pass the ordinance today were Levi, Floyd and McCarthy.

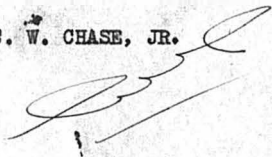
I believe the four men who voted to postpone this ordinance have seriously postponed quite a bit of development on Miami Beach. I am also skeptical as to whether the zoning ordinance can pass later on, after they acted in this manner upon hearing the objections of 65 property owners as against about 3,500 property owners who were not opposed, and who favored the new zoning ordinance.

I think Mead was the instigator of this move, and his influence over Hice secured the latter's vote. I believe Clements voted as he did because Bastian was very much opposed to rezoning Fisher's First Subdivision, and Bastian is now chairman of the Board of the bank in which Clements is employed.

Bankhead was probably thinking of election time, but I believe he has lost about two-hundred votes because of his action, as I think there will be at least that many voters next fall who will feel that their property should have been rezoned when the Council had the opportunity of so doing.

I think Bankhead has lost ground in his forthcoming race for Mayor.

C. W. CHASE, JR.



CWC:S

The News League
Dayton, Ohio

Politics

THE DAILY NEWS
DAYTON, OHIO
THE DAILY NEWS
MIAMI, FLORIDA

THE DAILY NEWS
SPRINGFIELD, OHIO
THE DAILY SUN
SPRINGFIELD, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE PUBLISHER

September 2, 1930

My dear Carl:

The inclosed letter from Gardner & Co. is explanatory. Now about the boat and your letter of August 27.

Don't you think it would be a good idea to change the name, since it was christened in honor of my two little girls? If this were done, I could take the china, tableware, linens and bedding, off your hands. All of these were the best we could buy. We can make use of them and keep them until another ANNABAR is on the scene.

Somehow I feel we are going to have fast Diesels. If nothing comes out of the Treiber plant, then General Motors will no doubt develop something out of the Winton factory. I will have the statement of cost sent to you soon.

I went to Miami two weeks ago today and was there for three days. I never saw the Beach more attractive. The only disconcerting thing I can see down there is the stupidity of John Levi and those associated with him in looking after your local government. If you continue to elect your councilmen at large, it will be but a matter of a short time until the hoodlums control the whole situation, then you can prepare to write finis on the Beach, because people simply will not live there with the crooks spending the money and imposing inequitable taxes. The development up toward the new golf club and the site which is being prepared for the polo organization is really inspiring. The community of Miami is somewhat depressed over the bank failure, but most of them say they are used to reverses and will live through this one. All good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

J.M.C.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Montauk L.I. N.Y.

Polities

Moorestown, N. J., September 12, 1930.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
Montauk, N. I.

Dear Carl;

I am planning to see you on the 6:17 Monday evening.

There is one thing we want to decide and that is: what is our attitude towards gambling on the Beach for the coming winter?

Another thing, the question of Mayor is coming up very soon. Personally I think we better both keep quiet and not come out for anyone until the last minute, and who to back or be influenced by is another subject to be settled.

Looking forward to seeing you Monday afternoon,
I am

Yours very truly,
Irving A. Collins

IAC/MLA

November 3, 1930

Mr. John Oliver LaGorce,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Jack:

Just finished last night "Bringing Them Home Alive" and this book is all you told me it was. Seems to me that I have met Mr. Buok with you, or at least some place, if not, I would enjoy very much knowing him.

If you are acquainted with him, I would appreciate your dropping him a note and telling him that if he wants to spend a quiet vacation some time in the near future, he might have a nice time in this part of the country catching bone fish. Will be tremendously glad to have him as my guest for as long as he wishes to remain, and that brings up another question.

I wish you and Ethel would arrange to occupy the same cottage you had last year, also that you arrange to have some guests at the Flamingo. It would give me a lot of pleasure if you would out loose and have some of your guests at the Flamingo, distinctly as your guests, but with the understanding between us that you have an unlimited "Frank" at the Flamingo and when I say unlimited, I mean unlimited.

I am sorry that I can not be at your dinner, but you know I might get my soup spoon in the apple sauce and a lot of other things I could do to embarrass you. I know the dinner is going to be a big success and hope you will send me the best and most favorable newspaper clipping regarding same.

I am sending you ~~a~~ in a foundation, a picture of Charlie Thompson, that I have had tinted, which I think you will like.

Best regards.

Yours,

OGF:A

2. Mr. John Oliver LaGorce, Washington, D.C.

P.S. Please give me full size Gold Star without nicks.

P.S. I am going to have a stock dividend of Miami Beach property for you for Christmas.

Yours,

November 22, 1930

Politics

Mr: Irving A. Collins,
Moorestown, New Jersey

Dear Irv:

I have your several letters of
the last few days.

Bob is on his way north to see you
and all the suggestions you have made are
OK with me.

We are doing everything we can in
the election. We are having a very tough
fight and there are a bunch of bandits
on the Beach who are determined to try
and steal the Council. Mike is working
on the job, and Dan thinks he has done
everything that can be done, and we will
have to pass it up.

Yours,

OGF:A

Politics

Moorestown, N. J., November 28, 1930.

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

Dear Carl;

Chase informs me the Floridian Press property would cost \$10,500. cash and I wrote him I think we better get possession of it. We have been dickering with this property for the last three years, and he says the Earle Estate does not seem to be very friendly towards us. That being the case, we better dig up the money and get it back in our possession and swallow the loss. If they should get sore and sell this to some cheap contractor, reduces receipts ten times the amount we have to pay for this property because this lot will retain it's right to be a printing press even if the zoning makes the neighboring property residential.

I dictated a letter to you last Tuesday after my conference with Tyndall, going over several subjects and giving my opinion on these items, which was based on my business judgment.

I am very much afraid if Tyndall goes to Mr. Keys about that mortgage it will certainly weaken our position with Mr. Keys, and while I fully appreciate your desire to get a loan on the home, I think that mortgage should be floated in the south, and I think Romph should help float it, or dig up somebody who would loan you the money on it.

Reading the newspapers, clippings out of the same, and from other information I have, I find the politics in Miami Beach are very rotten. I regret exceedingly the notoriety we are getting by coming out for any candidate. I think it is safe, and I think we should come out for the Council but let the Mayorality take care of itself. There is no use for me to enumerate the articles I have read because you have already read them.

Personally the more neutral we keep under the present conditions the better. You may not agree with me but I have to speak my piece, and thus it is.

Planning to arrive Friday morning, December 5th and will be glad to see you. With kind regards, I am

Yours very truly,



IAG/MLA

The Sun

Personality

OFFICES OF
EXECUTIVE BOARD

NEW YORK

December 3, 1930.

My dear Carl:

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of THE STORY OF SAN MICHELE by Axel Munthe. The author reminds me more of you than any other living man. Read it at your leisure and take out of it all that a live man can take from the truth from another.

Thanks for your kindness to me when I was last in Miami Beach. I always feel when I am approaching that center of the earth that nothing will be left undone to make me feel at home.

Give my regards to Steve and tell him that in a few days he will receive the Tunney picture, also a book that will show him the utter stupidity of postponing virtue too long.

If you will look on the inside back leaf of the cover you will find what I have to say about THE STORY OF SAN MICHELE.

As ever,



Carl G. FISHER, Esq.
Miami Beach
Florida

RHD:HL

December 11, 1930

Mr. Robert H. Davis,
The Sun,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Davis:

"THE STORY OF SAN MICHELE" has arrived and Mr. Fisher wishes to express his gratitude for it.

He has taken it to his house where he will read it with interest.

He is also glad to know that your short stay in Miami Beach was very enjoyable, and hopes that you will return soon.

Yours very truly,

Secretary to Mr. Fisher

Gravelle

PICTORIAL NEWS SERVICE

Personality

FISHER BUILDING
MIAMI BEACH - FLORIDA
December 29th, 1930

CARL GRAHAM FISHER.

Now that Christmas is over, and New Years is nigh,
Here's my little note and the real reason why
I am sending this message, to ask you again,
If you are really with me and want me to win?

" I WANT YOU TO MAKE GOOD", expressed oft by you,
But opportunity from you sure never came thru.
I can't understand you, tho try as I will,
What you might say today-- why tomorrow, its nill.

What a wonderful guy you were in yesterday's,
When you said what you meant, and you meant what you'd say,
But it seems like some spirit has got you in tow,
For what you say YES, today to, tomorrow it's NO!

Still, your one damn good scout and I like you at that,
And I'd still fight for you at the drop of the hat.
But I sure like hell hate to see you grow old,
If old age is putting that crimp in your soul

When a man who once knew you, would know you no more,
As the Carl Graham Fisher of the good days of yore.
When that broad smile entwined by the grasp of your hand,
Would cause people to say---"There's a regular MAN

Who, whatever he says--you can bank he'll make good,
And you knew in your heart and soul he really would.
If there's a feeling comes over you, ever so queer,
Re-Incarnate your old spirit,- this coming NEW YEAR.

With all good wishes.

Gravelle

Pers.

June 16th 1932.

Mr. C. M. Keys,
39 Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Clem:

One of the things I wanted to talk to you about the other night that was on my mind, is that in my estimation Bernard McFadden is the one best bet we have in this country for Montauk.

He has both the money and the general inspiration to do something of this kind, with the knowledge of secure investment. I believe it is only a question of time until we will find someone who will be interested in promoting a plan of this kind, from the stand point of health villas or cottages that are economical and soundly constructed and that offer a permanent investment.

The cottages I am working on now will not require insurance, and have practically no deterioration, fire proof, bug proof, and also paint proof, and can be erected under present conditions very economically, sold on small payments and long time.

I have been working almost every night and day on this plan, so I might have a chance to present it to McFadden, Arthur Brisbane and Wm. Randolph Hearst are two other men that might consider this job, but I am rather hoping that I will have a more complete job to talk about before meeting him, or going into this matter further with anyone.

A great many large industrial Companies have tried the plan I am working on, but most of them have made a failure of same. None of them have approached the subject from the same angle I am working on, and I don't believe any of the people who have tackled the job in the past have been real manufacturers. They have had splendid ideas and have seen possibilities, but were

C.M.Keys, - #2

not able to carry through the job.

My plan will be a complete success if I have the complete cooperation of Johns Manville and Jones & Laughlin Steel Company. Fortunately my associations with the Johns Manville Company in years past when the Frestalie bought enormous quantities of material from Johns Manville are good.

They are acquainted with the work at Miami Beach, and with the work here, although I have not yet been in position to talk to the Presidents of the corporations direct. In the meantime however, the Managers are giving me every cooperation, and I have the satisfaction of knowing that several of them believe I am on the right track in the work I am doing.

You may not realize it, but the design and specifications for an assembled job of this kind, where everything depends on accurate assembly, is almost as difficult as to design from the ground up a new automobile.

I wish you would keep Mr. McFadden in mind and if at any time in the next week or two you have any opportunity to make any contact with him, it will be a most valuable connection. McFadden thinks a lot of Montauk, and once or twice has almost made an engagement with me to come out here, with the idea of establishing his own private landing field. However I think he, like a lot of other private owners has tired of his private machine.

However, I think such a picture can be painted here of what he could do, that he could not possibly resist some cooperation with us, and as quickly as I can show him what can be done in his housing plans, will do so.

Mr. C. H. Keys - #2

I also have a couple of other ideas I want to talk to you about regarding the stocks of the Johns Manville Company and the Jones & Laughlin Company, in a promotion plan using our property here also at Miami Beach, but will wait until I see you on next Saturday or Sunday.

Am going into Port Washington on Friday to meet Irv Collins, but will return promptly to Montauk.

Yours,

CGF-HM

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Per B.

June 18, 1932.

Mr. Thomas Milton,
Packard Motor Car Company,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Tommy:

I have yours of the 14th.

I know you must have had some various expenses, perhaps not as much as \$50.00, but perhaps more expense in time and consideration of the glass razor stropper, and I am returning this check, as it has already gone through the books, and I don't want you to be out these sums, even though they are small.

Since I talked with you regarding the razor stropper, there have been at least fifty on the market. One fellow has a patent that you can throw a loop over your ear, hold the string in your teeth, and shapen two razors at the same time; hanging on the string is a glass ball. If the string won't hang over your ear, you can tie it around your neck, or of course you can hook it to a nail, or something else in the bathroom.

I have never seen such a string of razor sharpeners in my life. I have on my desk a new one consisting of two small glass balls that are held together with a piece of wire. I am going to mail it to you, and have you try it out.

The general interest in this subject, however, shows that we were "Johnny at the rat hole" when we first jumped on the idea.

I am now working on a small steel and transite house that looks like it might have some possibilities, to help us dispose of some vacant lots. By the time you come down I will be able to tell you more about it.

T. Milton - #2

I never did learn just what happened to your new model. I do wish you could come down and see this new road through the property.

Real estate of course is terrifically dull. The Receivers for the Company here are very nice gentlemen, and they are doing all that anybody can do under the circumstances. We of course have hopes of pulling out. We may lose our tail feathers, and be out down in weight, but there is a chance that we will get out unless "Old Man Depression" continues to hang on to us. I really would like to see you Tommy.

The Aerocar Corporation purchased all the outstanding stock, and I understood that they sold the rights of the Company. Margaret only had a very small amount of this stock, and I was the principal angel, having nothing at stake in the Company, other than just a general love for a promotion scheme with Glenn Curtis himself, that would be good. The last car turned out by the Aerocar Company had an overhead cockpit arrangement that was really beautiful, and very, very practical.

Hope to see you some of these days.

Yours,

C. G. Fisher

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Enclosure.

Politics

December 9th 1932.

Mr. Jess Andrews,
Westpoint, Ind.

Dear Jess:

It is good to have a long letter from you with only a few mistakes in the typewriting.

Of course the disgruntled Republicans are going to cause all the embarrassment to the Democrats they can - they would not be Republicans if they didn't, and of course I recognize the fact that if the case was reversed, the Democrats would probably put sand in the maple molasses of the Republicans. However, I believe that those politicians in the country who have enough brains to think occasionally, are beginning to understand that the people are getting tired of being man-handled.

We are having more people coming in right now than we expected, although they are certainly looking for a price. Two or three dollars a day now is considered ample for the best rooms almost any place.

George Ade arrived and has taken an apartment, perhaps until you come down. Mr. Gurney went down to see him, and he seems to be satisfied with everything we have done for him, and hope to do, but I am inclined to think that George is like a lot of other people who have been hit financially, and wants to keep his expenses down. Of course we can take care of him at a low rate as anybody else, in fact a lower rate, and when you come down, we will make a combined attempt to get him back at the King Cole.

Mr. Gurney is making a real strong effort, and so far his expenses have been out to nothing.

We have made a wonderful piece of progress in hotel management this year, which I will tell you about when I see you, as it is a long story.

Jess Andrews - #2

I wrote Cecil that I had a dim sort of a prospect to look at his property. Tell him not to get excited unless I do.

Mike Glenn has resigned, and gone north for the Holidays, but we will look after George just the same.

Best regards,

Yours,

C. C. FISHER

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January 16th 1933.

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Mr. Cecil Gibson,
8 West 40th Street,
New York City.

Dear Cecil:

I have your very interesting letter
of the 15th.

It seems to me that most of my "hot spots" have only been - hot spots, in the last twenty years. In my organizations for the past twenty years, we have developed some tremendous money makers but no money savers. I don't know of but two people out of 100 that have been through the mill of the organization, who have saved enough money to live on the rest of their lives. The rest have been gamblers and have shot their money in every direction.

They have been, without exception, unusual money developers and earners, but none of them seem to have had enough brains to put by some for their old age. This includes myself as well, but after all I think we have mixed up a lot in the general scheme of things, and if we all starve to death, it won't be much different from what has happened to millions of other people.

Any time you are around in this neck of the woods, I would be very glad to see you.

Yours,

CARL G. FISHER

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P. 65.

March 15th 1933.

Mr. Harold E. Talbott, Sr.,
330 Park Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Hal:

You know I never bought any oil stocks, gold mines, salt mines, or asafoetida plants, but I had a proposition put up to me the other day that looks interesting.

I am rather well acquainted in Kentucky around Louisville, as you remember my operations with the Kentucky Rock Asphalt Company, which by the way, (I can't help rub this in to you) we kicked a little gold mine in the tail when we let that go, but that is ice cream that has soured.

Now here is the last one that listens rather good to me. You remember when I left the Kentucky operations it was with a very good taste in the mouth of all stockholders and people in that section generally, because I left a lot of money there, and a successful company, and it sold to a large company which continued to produce on a large scale.

Some of these people imagine that I am particularly fitted to handle their difficulties, and there is a large acreage within sixty miles of Louisville that is peculiarly a piece of land without taxes, from an original grant in 1773.

The land has been owned by a number of heirs, and has been fought over, back and forth, for the last hundred or more years, but is now under the control, for sale or lease, by one man, and I believe I can trade a small piece of property that has no immediate sale, for a ~~five year~~ lease on the property, with the proviso to purchase it at about \$35.00 an acre, and with a fair contract to continue the lease if a productive well is driven.

There is no doubt about the number of shallow wells all through Kentucky, but as far as I have been able to learn, there has never been any major drilling

Harold E. Talbott - #2

up to as much as even 5,000 feet.

I looked into the oil situation ten years ago in Kentucky, and listened to a great deal of wise-cracking, and it seemed to be the consensus of opinion, after a great deal of money was spent for archaeological surveys, that any well in that district would have to be at a large depth.

Without taxes or cumulative fees until funds could be had for drilling of a deep well, I think the offer is very highly speculative, and I thought you might be interested.

The acreage referred to is some 15,000 to 16,000 acres. There was an archaeological report made several years ago that cost several thousand dollars, to be had.

I believe I can get an option, where it would be difficult for other people to get it, without putting up considerable money for it, and if in the next five years we cannot do anything, we cannot lose much.

Think it over and let me hear from you.

Yours,

CARL G. FISHER

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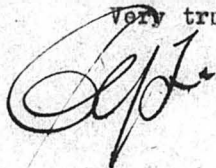
August 4, 1933.

~~Mr.~~ Eloy R. Montero,
1610 Susquehanna St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen -

Please ship, as soon as possible, an order of
mild cigars - 500 - for Mr. Fisher. These are to
be wrapped and shipped in the usual manner to the
above address.

Very truly yours,



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CARL G. FISHER PERSONAL

October 31, 1933

Mr. Elroy R. Montero
1610 West Susquehanna Ave.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Please send to me at Miami Beach, Florida,

500 Cigars

so as to arrive by next Monday, November 6th.

Yours very truly,

Carl G. Fisher.

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November 15th, 1933.

Mrs. Rosie Weiss,
St. Francis Hospital,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Rosie:

I just learned this morning, that among the other prominent and important things that have happened recently, they have taken you to the hospital, and that you have a low blood count.

I used to have these low blood counts every few days as notes came due. If this same trouble is bothering you at all, don't worry. A lot of people I owe money to, have a lower blood count than I have from the same sort of worry.

But seriously, it's a cinch you'll get well right quick with the Sisters, and I hope you'll be out soon and get back on the job.

Yours very truly,

CARL G. FISHER

cgf/s

11/15/33 10:30 AM

11-16-33.

MR. FISHER:

Mrs. Rosie Weiss telephoned today; said she received your note and was so pleased about it. She was having many visitors and getting along all right and wanted you to know how much she appreciated your writing her.

A.V.M.

June 21, 1935.

Mr. E. R. Montero,
1610 West Susquehanna Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Please ship at once to Mr. Carl G. Fisher,
in care of the Waterside Realty Corporation, Port
Washington, Long Island, New York, the same amount
and kind of cigars as sent him on his last order,
i. e., ten boxes of Conchas Selectos, lightest grade.

Please send bill for the above, addressed
to Mr. Fisher here, marked for the writer's attention.

Yours very truly,

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F. R. Humpage.

October 31, 1935.

Mr. E. R. Montero,
1610 West Susquehanna Ave.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Montero:-

Please forward to me at once, via
parcel post, ten boxes of Conchas Selectes cigars, lightest
grade; addressing same to me here at Miami Beach, Florida, and
oblige.

Yours very truly,

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CARL G. FISHER.

Nov. 12, 1957.

**E. R. Mumery Electric Company,
1610 S. Broad Street
Philadelphia, Pa.**

Customers-

Please send to us at once, via parcel post,
ten boxes of Standard Scientific ciphers, lightest grade,
sending same to us here at Miami Beach, Florida, and
oblige,

Yours very truly,

CARL G. FISHER.

CCF:AVH

Feb. 24, 1939.

Mr. E. R. Montero,
E. R. Montero Havana Company,
1610 W. Susquehanna Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Montero:-

I want to report to you on the cigars which you forwarded to me. They are just twice as good as the cigars you have been sending me.

I bought 500 cigars from another Corporation, but as soon as they are exhausted, I will come back and buy the Charaleaf Cigars.

The big mistake that your Company has made, as far as I am personally concerned, is that you didn't send me samples and prices of these cigars some time ago. You have made only a few dollars in shipping me second class cigars instead of these Charaleaf Cigars.

Yours,

GCF:AVM

GARL G. FISHER.

December 19, 1933.

Mr. Alexander Orr, Jr.,
1435 N. W. 15th Terrace,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Mr. Orr:-

If you will run for Mayor of Miami, you will have
a lot of support - moral, at least, - over at Miami Beach.

Yours,

CCP:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.

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January 13, 1939

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Carl:

The night before last I spent a very pleasant couple of hours with Colonel Vincent and Tommy Milton, part of which time was devoted to reminiscing and no doubt your ears were burning during our conversation, for you were much in our thoughts.

I thought you might be interested in having a note from me, because of the many changes which have developed in my life since I last saw you and I hope you will be interested in reading the following.

A year ago last September this Corporation felt that I had been loafing long enough and pulled me to Toledo with the title of Vice President, and with considerable additional duties to perform. I was quite happy to come back here because I enjoyed very much living in Toledo during my days with the Overland Company and because of the many fine people with whom I was acquainted in Toledo, and also because it brought me closer to Detroit, where much of our business activities are centered.

I still have executive supervision over the Prest-O-Lite Battery plant at Indianapolis, but have left a very competent man in charge there, who used to work for you. No doubt you will recall his name, Herman Komitch, who was sales manager during the time that you were still owner of the business.

Bob Combs, whom you will of course remember very well, is in charge of our battery plant at Toronto, and I also have supervision over the activities of that plant and naturally come in contact with Bob quite often.

Along about February last year, I was taken down with what the Ford Hospital staff stated was a nervous breakdown but after many months of strenuous treatments I have more or less recovered my former health and for the past several months I have

Mr. Carl G. Fisher

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Jan. 13, 1939

been giving full time to the business, although I am afraid that at my age I will never be quite as good as I was prior to the breakdown last spring.

A few days ago Barney Roos, whom you no doubt remember as being a very prominent engineer and who is now Vice President in Charge of Engineering, at Overland, was at my house to dinner and I dug up an old book of clippings and one of the most prominent in them was a picture of the little model airplane which I exhibited in Denver. Barney was very much interested in reading the publicity notice, in which it stated that Carl Fisher, the wonderful aeronaut from Indianapolis, was building these planes and that McDuffee had taken the agency for Denver. ✓

A few weeks ago I ran into Barney Oldfield in New York. Barney is now running a roadhouse just outside of Los Angeles, and while I don't think he is doing very well, yet he seems quite optimistic and no doubt is making a fair living. He is the same old Barney and I am sure he would like to have an opportunity of sitting down for a good, old time chat with you. ✓

During the past three or four months we have been very active in visiting New York, Chicago and Toronto Automobile Shows but they are not like the old time shows, and there probably never will be the same interest in the new type show that there used to be in the old ones. There are so many new faces these days that the old-timers almost feel like they are in a different industry.

A short time ago, while in the Detroit Athletic Club, I ran into Eddie Bald and we had a few moments of conversation and, of course, your name was prominently mentioned.

I run into Harold Talbott very often, as he is one of our Directors and Chairman of our Finance Board. I am now looking at Harold's picture on the polo pony, the one you sent me back in 1923 or '24, which I used as a model for the engraving representing the polo player when I tried to revive the Elgin, calling it the "polo pony of the fine car field."

I am hoping that something may bring me to Florida during the present season and, if so, I hope that I may find you at home, so that I can spend a short time with you. I have not been in Florida for a couple of years, however, this being the reason why you have not been bothered by a call from me.

Mr. Carl G. Fisher

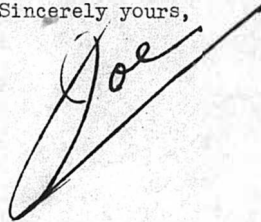
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Perhaps you will be interested in knowing that my daughter, Dorothy, has four fine little girls; my daughter, Marjorie, has one fine little girl; my son, Joe, has one fine little boy; these three are the only ones that are married. The other boys, with the exception of the two younger ones, have a fairly good job and we only have three at home, our daughter, twenty; a boy, seventeen and a boy almost twelve.

I hope that the above has not bored you in the reading and that you are enjoying good health, and I wish for you a Most Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "Joe" in the "Sincerely yours," line.

JHM/z

Jan. 16, 1939.

Mr. J. H. McDuffee,
The Electric Auto-lite Company,
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Joe:-

I am certainly glad to have your letter of the 15th. Particularly am I pleased to see how you continue to make good.

It would be a lot of fun to talk to those old-timers like Konitch and Bob Combs.

That breakdown of yours reminds me of the fellow who had a Swiss watch that played cuckoo-clocks and rang bells, and told all about the moon and the stars, and gave horoscopes, etc. - also it was set for birthday greetings and "time to get your hair cut", etc. He had so much trouble keeping it adjusted and running that he finally took all the works out of the case and put in a set of works out of a two-dollar Ingervoll. Then he ciled her up with goose grease and things went lovely.

I think you ought to take a good lesson from this parable. You always were as high strung as an "A" string on a Stradivarius that was about ready to "bust".

I kept that old picture of your ad in the Denver paper for many years, but the hurricane finally blew it all to pieces, as well as a lot of souvenirs out of my office.

I took a ride in the Himp not long ago, and with the exception of the chief officers, there were none of them over 29 years of age, and none of them had ever hear of me; and I had a lot of "kick" out of the little talk I had with them after the ride, telling them about the early days and that little dirigible which I made, which you will probably remember.

I get a letter from Barney Oldfield every once in awhile.

I hope you will have a chance to run down to Florida this winter. I have a nice little house with one guest room, and I treat all guests alike - they get bacon and eggs for breakfast; we have no lunch, and then we have dinner about 7:30. As I don't go to night clubs, they have to look after themselves during the rest of the night. It is really a relief to most of the guests that I have had.

Caley Bragg was just with me a couple of days, but our solar heater ran out of hot water and he left and went back to Palm Beach.

That family of yours is a constant source of wonder to me.

I certainly enjoyed your letter, Joe, and hope you are going to be able to get down here and spend a few days in the sun. It will do you good to see how this part of the country continues to grow, in spite of all hurricanes,

Mr. J. H. McDuffee -- 2.

and chinch bugs, and invasions of grafters and gamblers, and bum lawyers, doctors, dentists, etc.

My regards to that whole family of yours, and the rest of the boys that you happen to run into.

Yours,

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CARL G. FISHER.

Feb. 27, 1938.

Mr. Alexander Orr, Jr.,
1485 N. W. 15th Terrace,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Mr. Orr:-

Is there anything we can do here at the Beach
to help you in your political arguments?

We would like to have you as a citizen of Miami
Beach and an official over here.

Of course, you can do the County more good from
Miami than from here. At the same time, I want you to know
how a large proportion of our citizens feel towards you and we
want to help you if you will tell us how to do it.

Yours,

GCF:AVM

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March 8, 1939

Mr. Carl G. Fisher
Miami Florida

Dear Mr. Fisher:

We notice we have not had the pleasure of serving you for over a year.

We are very anxious to know if it is our fault you no longer smoke our cigars, as we will be glad to make you up a special lot of any cigars you may select from the samples we are sending you under separate cover.

Will you be kind enough to give them your consideration and let us hear from you as we do not often lose an old customer, and particularly we do not wish to lose you.

Thanking you in advance, I am.

Sincerely yours

March 14, 1939.

E. L. Eastern Havana Company,
1610 W. Southampton Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:-

Thank you for yours of the 8th.

I haven't been buying your cigars for a long time because they got too strong and it seemed to me that the material slipped terribly.

I will look over these samples you have sent me, and I may send you an order.

I had such fine cigars from you for so many years that I was very much disappointed with the last few hundred.

Yours,

CGF:AVM

CARL G. FISHER.