

Zoology, wildlife

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Commissioner's Office.
Mangrove Cay - Andros.
31st March - 1920.

Major E. E. Turner,

Sir :

Your letter of the 27th inst. regarding film men is before me. Peter Bannister is the name of the man who accompanied Dr. Chapman some years ago and I have sent off for him this morning. I believe his services will be available as before, but should they not be, I can make satisfactory arrangements for your men.

A boat of shallow draught will be necessary for their tour and I have my mind on one here which will suit beautifully.

It will be necessary to send Bannister on ahead to find the haunts of these birds, as they change from time to time. I shall therefore act at once so that no time shall be lost whenever your men arrive.

I am particularly interested in the Flamingo birds at the present time and hope to visit their haunts myself for official purposes - and should I have the time, I might take the trip along with the film men. In any case, they will have to call at Mangrove Cay enroute to the spot and I'll have the pleasure of seeing them.

I am informed on reliable authority that these birds begin to assemble to build their nests about the middle of April but do not lay their eggs until after rain.

Altho' many birds were killed by people last year, their is still reason to believe that they are still very numerous.

Your party should proceed direct here from Nassau, and I could have them also interview Mr. Forsythe, a retired service man, who is filled with information profitable to the success of their voyage.

I am also trying to advertise the bird for tourist purposes, so your peoples' expedition is oportune.

I am, Sir,

Obediently Yours,

(signed) J. Stanley Loun
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Commissioner.

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Police Barracks.

3/4/20

Dear Mr. Fisher :

Your letter of the 20th of March to hand,
regarding Flamingoes on Andros Island. On receipt
of same I immediately sent a letter to the Commissioner
at Mangrove Cay, the nearest point where these birds
are, and received from him this date the enclosure
which I hope will be satisfactory to you.

Very truly yours,

(signed) E. E. Turner.
Major.

Commandant.



Flamings

Police barracks.

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E. S. Smith
Major.

Commandant.

April 6th, 1920.

Major E. E. Turner,
Commandant,
Nassau, N.P., Bahamas.

Dear Major Turner :

I sent you a wire this morning in reply to your letter of the 4th, thanking you for the assistance you have already given us.

I hope you will go ahead and make these arrangements for us with the Commissioner at Mangrove Cay, so the guide will be ready and we will lose no time. We will be fortunate if we are able to secure the services of the same Peter Bannister.

We will start from here between the 21st and 23rd of the month and will get in touch with you upon our arrival.

Again thanking you, -

Yours very truly,

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Commissioning Office
Mayaguez Bay, Puerto Rico
31st March 1920

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Stanley Louie
Commissioner

Maypole Bay, Adams.

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7th July 1930

Carl Fisher, Esq
Miami Fla.

Dear Mr Fisher

I am wondering how your Flamingo scheme is maturing. If you hope to get these birds in September which is dangerously near you should get your permit now. I remember ^{that} no man in the world can capture an adult flamingo unless it be during his molting period. The picture stunt was not very successful although they hope to pull it off later.

I am maintaining a pretty efficient Police Force over the birds so that in a few years there should be myriads of them in their colonies.

Very best wishes for the success of the Hotel Flamingo.

I am
Truly Yours
Stanley Lowe

July 19th, 1920.

Mr. J. Stanley Lowe,
Mangrove Cay,
Andros Islands,
Bahamas.

Dear Mr. Lowe:-

I have thinking a dozen times I would rush a letter off to you regarding the Flamingoes but this is the situation. The Hotel grounds will not be completed in January —the Hotel will be completed and probably full of guests but it will take at least a year to get the grounds in shape so that we may keep the flamingoes in good shape.

I wish you I could make some sort of arrangements so that you could have for us, say a year from this September, at least ten or twelve birds.

I remember that I gave your new church a bell but I do not remember what it was to cost. Write me at once and tell me if you are building the church and how much the bell is and I will send you a check; also, if it will be an expense to prepare to get me twelve birds for the Flamingo. Advise me what the expense will be and I will send you draft.

I also told you that you could ship me \$1,000 worth of sponges for the account of your people. This, you can do at any time you see fit to do so and I will accept the sponges, forward you check, and then sell them to the best of my ability. You can send me the sponges and charge me double the price which you get from Nassau and I believe that I can put these sponges in our show windows here without any thought of profit but with a view of helping out your poor negroes.

Very best regards,

Write me once in a while.

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THE MIAMI BEACH IMPROVEMENT CO.

OCEAN FRONT PROPERTY

OFFICE, 210 TWELFTH STREET

MIAMI, FLORIDA

10-25-20

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

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Replying to yours of the 21, that "somebody" that you refer to was Snowden. It seems that he felt quite hurt because his approval was not asked for when the name was first suggested, and as he was and is owner of a lot of land on both sides of this body of water, he feels that he ought to have something to say about it. Now, just how much influence he will have, if we try to change this name, I don't know, but the Miami Beach Improvement Company and the Miami Beach Bay Shore Company don't own all the land along this body of water, as your letter states. Besides the property that Mr. Snowden owns, you must appreciate that all the lots from Mr. Snowden's property to our house on the east side have all been sold to individual owners, and while our two companies would own the bulk of the land in length, yet the other part would be represented by perhaps twenty or thirty individuals. I do not know who wrote the letter along with the application to have the name changed, but I understand that this letter stated that along this body water was the roosting place for the flamingoes and that thousands of people went there every afternoon to see them and when the petition was circulated to get people to sign that they had never known this body by any other name but Indian Creek, the same question was also asked, if they had ever seen any flamingo there, to which they all answered "no", and I believe it was on that ground that they did not allow the name to be changed. However, as it is your wish, we will go ahead and get up the Petition for signatures.

Very truly yours,

Thos J Pancoast
Secy-Treas.

Oct. 29th, 1920.

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Mr. Thos. J. Pancoast,
Miami Beach Improvement Co.,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Mr. Pancoast:-

I have your letter of the 25th. I don't know anything about the letter you refer to but if any body did write such a thing in a letter stating that Flaminge Bay was a roosting place for flamingoes and that thousands of people went there every afternoon to see them - he is a liar of the first magnitude and should have not standing whatever in any community. There is no doubt but what at one time Indiana Creek was the site of a Flamingo colony. It is an ideal situation for a Flamingo and I have been told by old residents that some twentyfive or thirty years ago there were a large number of flamingoes at this part of the peninsula.

We certainly want to get rid of the name of Indiana Creek. I am sorry that Snowden should feel badly about this matter as I have not heard a line from him this summer. He is a very poor man to answer correspondence and if we had to wait until we got in touch with him we could do nothing. Probably you had better let the matter drop until I have talked with you and we will see what can be done.

I wrote you about the bird island. The island would not be big enough for a first class place and would not be properly located for the protection of birds, and personally, I think it would be a great detriment to your property unless it was a very elaborate and expensive affair and I think it is very risky to take chances, with this comparatively unknown venture.

Yours,

MIAMI BEACH
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Golf Club Bird Sanctuary
Committee

WILD LIFE

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of AUDUBON SOCIETIES

1974 Broadway
New York City

May 2, 1930.

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

My dear Mr. Fisher:

In reference to specific instructions for Presidents of Golf Clubs to turn over to their managers, permit me to say that we feel the Bulletin itself contains virtually all information necessary to establish a Bird Sanctuary, but we will be most happy to answer any additional questions that may be addressed to us.

Our plan is for Clubs to appoint a Bird Sanctuary Committee, the Chairman of which should be registered here in the office so that we may address communications to some one person in charge of the project.

I might mention that we have attempted to try the experiment of interesting Golf Clubs in this project in New York especially and thus far have addressed only New York State Clubs on the subject, but we are most happy, of course, to have Clubs in other States establish Sanctuaries and are desirous of assisting any such clubs in their efforts to attract birds to their properties.

Perhaps you will appoint A Sanctuary Committee for each of your clubs and send us the names of the Chairmen, so that we may send them material from time to time and be of what assistance we can in their efforts to attract birds to their courses.

Whenever we can be of service to you or any of your Golf Club associates in any way, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Cordially yours,

Arthur A. Allen

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May 2, 1930.

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

My dear Mr. Fisher:

Your letter of April 28 is at hand and Dr. Pearson is just on the point of leaving for Europe to preside at the fourth bi-ennial meeting of the International Committee for Bird-Preservation to be held in Amsterdam, Holland. He has asked that I reply, since I am in charge of our Golf Club Bird Sanctuary project.

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P. H. Haynes

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