

La Jolla, Calif.  
Jan 30-1931

Dear

The Honorable Mayor, of  
The City of San Diego,  
and  
The Common Council  
Thereof.

Gentlemen; - (I salute you in the Presence of Providence)

Prompted, alone, by the motives of concern  
over the lives of my fellow creatures; during  
the late hours of the night, yesterday, I con-  
ducted a provisional ascertainment over the but-  
tress, now at sea, and a-diff, in the oceanic  
waters, at the constructional procedures be-  
ing conducted upon the west shore at La Jolla -  
a project, I believe, which names itself -  
"Swipp's Pool."

Without compensation, nor urge, other than  
that of the satisfaction afforded to a spirit,  
which has ever stood back as the witness of  
the sacrifice of human, or other life, under the  
assumption of Safety; in the giving of its best,  
I am moved to report to you, as follows: -

Utilizing the means, foregoing by mentioned, of present and equipment of the works described, together certain other means provided by my own hand, I did, between the hours of Ten o'clock and eleven P.M., on the date mentioned in the body of this letter, present - assuming a public citizenship right and privilege, enter upon the premises of the work, alone, with the intention of gaining a proof for, or against a contention respecting the Project, as to the merit of its Safety - the which, as an integral part of the Unit municipal, I am obligated to provide:

Having made such lawful entry, I proceeded - with care and caution, and with due respect against the abuse thereof, of any equipment or apparatus upon the grounds, and without the disturbance of the proceedings depending themselves thereto, to establish certain component angles for the measurement of stress forces applied, there, by the waters of High Tide, - the waters, at the time, exceeding the crest of the wall, in their advances, at the outer end of the sea break-water. My experiment to proof was conducted at the shore ends of, both, a well gauged hemp line and a steel cable, which reposed themselves directly across to the out-point opposite, and above mentioned;

By the accumulation of some certain and several amounts in value pull in strain, at Tension, under the then terrific outflow waters, racing in back-action, the line and the cable being quite fully submerged and immersed at all times, and running in a practical parallel. This latter fact gave to me the advantage of ratio values in mass virtue and substance quantities which served to, and enabled, my final established conclusion;

By the full and thorough achievement of components superposed with stress values and ratio relationships, I, then, computed, as nearly as possible, allowing to the average of pulsations and gross surging, of the water's reactive turbulence in its out-sweep to the sea beyond - I was counting, of course, my established position to be

the location of the proposed safety-screen, as advertised to the public by some certain local newspapers, - the outward Piers Wre against an exposed area of our square foot <sup>of</sup> ~~of~~, at a submerging depth of one foot eight, normal surface level of out-ere action, - such submersion being approximated at the mid-point of sag, at the time of my strivings for competent data. ~

Now, resultant my most care-taking, and freely-given service, extended to you, and to the Peoples At-large, especially those who may seek innocent diversion and safe pleasure at our, Brantley Spot attractive, - I am prepared to state, that, in my soundest of personal opinion and individual just judgment, - graced by several years of Hydraulic design and inactment work, - the Project being presently discussed for your benefit, and with hopes for the Safety of all, is, what, perhaps, creditable in many aspects, and may possess a fair factor-in-safety at low waters, will be at high surging, and full-flood seasons, thoroughly unfit, to account a worth for human safety and preservation of the lives of those seeking recreation, pleasure, and enjoyment.

21 This verdict personal, rendered on the basis  
of my closest calculations, which revealed that  
the net unit force placed against the area of  
an average sized human, once impinged  
against any safety screens, as are rumored  
will be placed and provided at the out-lim-  
its of this contrivance; which has the motives  
of Safety for its creation; would total the  
neighborhood of five hundred (500) pounds-  
one quarter ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of a ton, in moments pressure;  
and, figuring a discovered velocity of 14.1  
feet per second, there would be established  
against such human being, its very life;  
a moving mass-velocity of 7050 pounds.  
Now, assuming five square feet (5 sq. ft.)  
to the average of a living form to be exposed,  
we would have  $5 \times 7050$ , or 35250 foot-  
pounds of choak weight and crushing  
might. This figured amount needing  
in deed, the value of One Horse-Power,  
a strength abundantly capable of extin-  
guishing a life. The life of woman the halberd  
of man, lit alone the softly delicate form  
of a happy child; pressing itself against  
a helpless victim, as caution would picture,  
of an assumption of Safety. - Now! -

It is my heart-felt, and soulfully offered, recommenda-  
tion, that, at your orders, and by a Perpetual Enact-  
ment, the Police Department, both, of the City of  
San Diego and of La Jolla, a cherished suburb, be  
directed to establish, prior to the opening of "Drip's  
Pool", to the Public, and to erect, and continuously  
maintain an adequate Warning! - which shall be  
subject to the attention by a singular conspicu-  
ousness -

~ Danger! ~

At High Tide, The City of San Diego Resolves  
Against the Use of this  
Bathing Conscience.

Consult the Life Guard Before  
Entering!

I tremble on my hand is cramped from my night's  
efforts and my brain somewhat strained, - my  
spirit is accelerated to this report by pressure  
of what might be, - I shall ask you to bear with  
my writing, with any of its imperfections. When a  
man visions a possible loss of life - Will, just Will! -  
ask your attention to a finish.

Such above Order and Enactment, I feel will  
rid your consciences of the weight of any respon-  
sibility which a tragedy might put upon them, and  
it will keep a well intentioned Project from  
falling to all Refuter's eyes! - it will keep  
La Jolla happy! Heaven will not be disturbed!

Respectfully submitted,  
Edwin H. Drymon.  
Cez-Hydraulic and

708 7 (if mistake in relaying)

78 70 Ivanhoe Ave - if prompting!

La Jolla, Cal.

Thank you

Journal Engineer.  
I have your happy  
Consideration.

(Over) Important!

This is rendered with the deepest of respect  
due to Mr. Savage, who serves you in official  
capacity; - I feel, however, that in his  
full occupation to the substance of con-  
struction, he has overweighted the actual  
High Tide's impediment against the proposed  
safety-screen. - I know he would not care  
to have his product stained by the  
sacrifice of a man, a woman, or a tender  
child!

Sincerely - S. K. C.

After writing -

I should like to append the fact, that, in a con-  
versation, prior my address, with one of the  
City's ex-inspectors - W. H. Barton, who once  
patrolled the waters here, and who resides with  
us still, we standing together present, at the  
very sight of consideration, I gleaned his  
likewise doubts as to the very Safety of this  
new venture, especially at High Tide!  
As I stood, firstly, watching him without  
his notice, I perceived his concern. This is that  
of one trained in the conservation of life  
while, at sea, navigating. His doubts as to  
the ultimate Safety are over!  
S. K. C.

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City Clerk

AUGUST M. VALSTROM

By.....

Deputy

# COMMUNICATION

FROM

*Glen K. Seymour*  
*re safety of*  
*"Script Pool*  
*at La Jolla*

*Refer to  
file*

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