

HISTORY OF RANCHO SANTA FE - PART II

(Outline and Time Line Only)

1. Early 1800's, general description of lifestyle and area
 - A. Brief recap of Video Part I
2. 1875 - Lawsuit: A.H. Smith acquires 2864 acres (5200 later)
 - A. Keeps intact for 27 years -ranching
3. 1904- A.H. Smith sold ranch to George Gilbert, James Connell
4. 1906 - All land sold to Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad
 - A. Title put in name of Santa Fe Land Improvement Co.
 - B. Additional parcels of land slowly added
 - C. Eucalyptus Tree Saga - plantings from 1907-1914
5. 1912 - 1916: Mother Nature gets creative
 - A. 1912 - Drought
 - B. 1913 - worst freeze in 40 years - 60% trees killed
 - C. 1916 - 100-year flood ("practice" floods: 1884, 1889, 1891)
6. 1917 - Osuna Property added for \$100,000 - land now back to original land grant size
 - A. Country estate idea becoming popular
 - B. Planners know value of controlled water, so:
7. 1917 - The Dam
11. 1933 - A. Role of Ed Fletcher (Interview with a Fletcher?)
 - A. Quotes from his memoir
 - B. Contracts with SFLICo. and Wm Henshaw (Interview?)
 - C. P.T.A. - "First social group in RSP"

- C. Size, dimensions, water displacement, etc.
- 12. 1923 - Village plan
- 8. 1919 - Rancho San Dieguito - description, location, quotes
 - A. 3000 acres cleared in anticipation of development
- 9. 1921 - L.G. Sinnard hired to walk every acre and provide acreage analysis for crop projections
 - A. Sinnard vision: saw area as giant landscaped garden, wanted to keep historical aspects, old Spanish influence, ancient plantings
 - 13. 1924 B. Sinnard's ideas approved and financed by Santa Fe officials
 - A. Fe officials and location (quotes from original)
 - C. September, 1921: official name change to RSF
- 10. 1922 - Development began in earnest: SFLICo:
 - 14. 1926 A. Bought Henshaw's interest in the Lake Hodges water system
 - A. water system for golf course withdrawn from
 - B. Hired Ed Fletcher and his organization, giving him exclusive rights to sell land
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 - C. Hired Sinnard as Manager of "RSF County Club"
 - D. Directed physical preparation: roads laid out, land parceled, irrigation system of concrete conduits from Lake Hodges to each parcel
 - 15. 1927 - The Covenant
 - E. Hired Ray Badger to prepare lands for planting
 - A. Meeting of property owners called by W.B. Hodges (Chuck Badger interview?)
 - to consider formation of homeowners to formulate
- 11. 1923 - RSF School "to perpetuate the restrictions" (June)
 - A. Description and location and regulations
 - B. First class - 5 students (Ivy Fidero interview?)
 - C. P.T.A. - "First social group in RSF"

12. 1923 - Village plan *Pa Corporation*
- A. La Morada opened - description, location, quotes from visitors (newspapers, memoirs, writings) *sell*
(Interview with Dan Royce?) *dict. One*
 - B. Civic Center - original buildings designed by architect Richard S. Regua
 - C. Lilian Rice - vision, impact, contributions *back in*
to entire community *up given exclusive rights to*
13. 1924 - Post Office *sell land, run La Morada and Golf Course*
- A. Description and location (quotes from original *First phone lines with automatic dial installed*
residents) *E. Garden Club formed (history, names, purpose)*
 - B. Trace changes in locations? *17. 1930*
14. 1926 - Golf Course *A. Matcos Act Bonds - purpose, history, and*
- A. Land set aside for golf course withdrawn from *burning of bonds, 1936*
sales proposals *B. 1931 - Reg Clotfelter hired by Bishop*
 - B. Design by Max Behr *C. SP&Co. cancelled \$300,000 debt on golf course*
 - C. Dec. 1927 - construction of "RSF County Club" *and applied it to RSF Assoc.*
 - D. begun; completed early '29 *D. Many properties at property go for taxes*
 - D. Description, size, etc. *E. Dr. Flesher received Irrigation District*
15. 1927 - The Covenant *F. Comments by Clotfelter and other early residents*
- A. Meeting of property owners called by W.E. Hodges *to from newspapers, Endless Miracle, etc.*
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covenant "to perpetuate the restrictions" (June)
 - B. List of proposed restrictions and regulations
 - C. July 14, 1928 - Protective Covenant signed by 64
 - B. parties owning 3418.17 acres *Tournament*

18. Library History

16. 1928 - Rancho Santa Fe Corporation

- A. Oct 1 - SFLICo. sold all remaining land to RSF Corp, a syndication headed by Nels Gross, to sell remaining land, retain restrictions
- B. Not successful in financing, owners dissatisfied (growing pains)
- C. Syndicate defaulted in 1931; SFLICo. back in saddle. A.R. Bishop given exclusive rights to sell land, run La Morada and Golf Course
- D. First phone lines with automatic dial installed
- E. Garden Club formed (history, names, purpose)

17. 1930's: Changes, Depression impact

- A. Matoon Act Bonds - purpose, history, and burning of bonds, 1936
- B. 1931 - Reg Clotfelter hired by Bishop
- C. SFLICo. cancelled \$300,000 debt on golf course and deeded it to RSF Assoc.
- D. Many properties let property go for taxes
- E. Ed Fletcher rescued Irrigation District
- F. Comments by Clotfelter and other early residents or can quote from newspapers, Endless Miracle, etc.
- D. April, 1936: RSF News, update of local status: RSF Association, Park and Rec Board, Art Jury, Maintenance District, Garden Club, Book Club, Country Club, School Board and Irrigation District - total of 33 officers represented
- E. Original Bing Crosby Clambake Tournament

18. Library History

- A. Louise Badger's Fountain lunch
- B. Bookmobile, financing, present location
- C. Interview? Anyone special in mind?
(Nelson "Library")?

19. Mother Nature and Man strike again

- A. 1933 - Earthquake
- B. 1943 - Big fire (quote local folks)
- C. WW II - Military hospital, Burnham home

20. 1945: Stop? Possible endings:

- A. Leave room for sequel (if Star Wars can do it, so can the RSF Historical Society)
- B. Bring it up to present time (but it's already suffering from verbosity for half-hour format)
- C. End in 1945 but mention Historical Status made official in 1989 (pretty big jump)
- D. Let Pat Cologne and the RSF Historical Society Board members decide (I'll vote for this one)

Also please review: I have listed six potential areas for interviews pertaining to the subject being addressed. This may be too many, but if we keep them short and peppy we could even add more - input?

Figure 7. 15 U.S.G.S. Esccondido Quadrangle; Showing Location of Adobe No. 1 in 1901