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" S.G. Wilder " and the " ~~Irmgard~~ " The later vessel in 1912-13 ended in the Tahiti Trade as she was bought by Atkins Kroll & Co and she also carried some cargoes of Phosphate Rock. But she had a lot of trouble, she started to leak and had to make a port of refuge several times. If she carried a cargo to San Diego I do not know.

The Tug " Santa Fe " had an engine that exhausts directly into the atmosphere, as River Boats used to do. So therefore her cruising Radius was very limited, she had to stay close to her fresh water supply as her tanks were small.

The Beson Lumber Co depended on the log rafts exclusively, and I do not know when they shut down. I think some of the rafts also went to San Francisco for the Hammond Lumber Co.

By the way, the San Diego papers had a great write up when we arrived in San Diego in the " S.N. Castle " with some sketches of her going down. Could you locate this paper and have it photographed at my cost. I think the paper is interesting. I have not visited San Diego after that in the " S.N. Castle " and neither has the ship. But I have visited the port many a time in pleasure and Commercial craft, so that I hold a San Diego Pilot Endorsement on my License.

Thanks for the compliment of my last Christmas Storey. My next Christmas account will deal with Monterey, Linnton Oregon, and may mention also Port San Luis. I hope it is possible to get Chas Rosner again. Miss Anita is the one to contact him, I hope.

I do hope, that this letter will help you, on your pictorial account of San Diego.

Sincerely Yours

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