

San Diego Calif.

July 26th, 1943

To the Honorable City Council,
City of San Diego.

Gentlemen I notice in our daily -
papers where Councilman De Goff Austin is
proposing a city ordinance against dogs running
loose. Please accept my protest against the en-
actment of such ^{an} ordinance at this time. What would
be gained would be more than lost, as it would take
needed material away from the war effort in many
hundreds of feet ^{of} leather or steel chain now needed
for war purposes. It also would add to the problem
of more help to enforce such a silly law. Am a tax
payer & voter I do not feel we need such an ordinance.

Arthur L. Barton
4226 - Central Ave.
City.

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FRED W. SICK, City Clerk

By - Clark M. Fouts, Jr.
Deputy

*Comm. from Arthur L.
Barton opposing city
ordinance to regulate the
keeping of dogs.*

City-Council
San Diego, Calif.

Gentlemen:-

In view of the proposition to be discussed by you Monday A. M. regarding compulsory vaccination of dogs, I am taking the liberty of begging you to postpone any sudden decision without first consulting the people of S. D. who should have something to say when the matter concerns their own pets.

There are those in this city who cannot afford it and those who, rather than spend even fifty cents or any effort, would let their dogs be taken away from them and you can depend upon it that this humane society would not help the heartbreak of the humans nor the animals.

A little sober thought on the subject will convince anyone that the dogs who carry these diseases are not those in homes where they are well-cared for, but

the homeless ones who, starving and without shelter roam the streets until picked up by the pound-man. So the proposed ordinance will not alter or improve the situation but merely place a hardship on both the owner and his dog.

Those who do not believe in vaccination should not be forced to do something to their animal friends which they believe harms them for vaccination not only causes temporary misery to the one animal but it is horrible cruelty to those poor beasts who are compelled to give their bodies for the production of the serum.

Why doesn't someone suggest compulsory kindness to animals in this city - for after all they have feelings too.

Respectfully,

Mrs. M. J. Oakley

3777-43rd St.

Apr. 28" 1934.

San Diego April 25
1934

To the Mayor and
City Council of San Diego
and Albert W. Bernier of
this district;

I protest against
the outrageous and insufferable
indignity and violation of
personal and property rights
of dog owners citizens and
voters in San Diego and
the fiendish brutal and
probably fatal abuse of dogs
their pets and private
property embodied in the
proposed vaccination law
I allege that the practice

of vaccination for rabies
is both absurd and insane.

I allege dogs surviving
will become a menace and
personally would fear one
with a serum from mad
dogs in his blood. I am
not opposed to reasonable
restriction of dogs at large.

I believe and know that
this proceeding without
inoculation would sufficiently
protect both children and adults
from vicious or dangerous dogs.

Will help recall any and all
officials favoring this measure.

Respectfully
May Dillenbach

J. W. (Blackie) Bagby

Front and "C" Streets

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Phone Franklin 4821

4-29-'34

To the Hon. Mayor & Council

Gentlemen: -

I see
there is a motion to come before
you in the morning for having
all dogs vaccinated. I wish to
enter my protest.

I have you.

J. W. Bagby

132 - West "C"



San Diego

^{yesterday}

Dear Mrs (Castigan)

I read in last evening's paper about your kind deed to this dog and I surely agree with you that the Humane Society should be prepared on Sunday as well as other days to answer calls like yours. And not long ago they gave a program over Radio telling of their loyalty and always ready night or day to be at service and I am surely surprised at this, and I am a lover of dogs and I would have done just what you did. I took a female in heat not long ago in my garage and kept her until well and I washed her and found a good home for her for some people don't know enough to care for any animal or anything. Please excuse me for writing you, but I wanted you to know ~~that~~ someone appreciates your deed.

Mrs H. G. Plant

3804 - 44 st

R. 5828

3007 University Ave.

July 31 st. 1933

^{gentle}
Mrs. Laura Castigan
106 W. Dale St.

San Diego, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Castigan, Having read about the death of "Queenie", my heart was touched and knowing your love for dogs, I am writing this in hopes that you may save the lives of many of the poor unfortunate animals - I was reared on a farm in the south and we had numbers of head of cattle and consequently a number of dogs - We lost lots of our best dogs from the disease which killed "Queenie" until one day a man, who by the way was very ignorant, told us to use pure stick bluing and swab

The dogs mouth. We did this
about three times with a strong
solution of "bluing water" —
much stronger than you buy
in solution, and the dogs
mouth was well — The kind
of bluing we used comes in
sticks — I never see it in the
West — a veterinarian may be
able to tell you what there is
about it that cured our dogs.

Here's hoping I have helped
some poor suffering dog by
telling you this —

With kindest regards

I am (Mrs.) Jewell E. Snow.



The City Council

Dear Sirs: -

The letter Albert H. Borland sent in to you regarding Dogs has met with such pouring approval hereabouts, that even tho I cannot add anything to his splendid article, let me pay ~~myself~~ for myself and family that if any movement gets under way to suppress that nuisance, count on us to back it to the limit.

Mr. Borland must have seen packs of them running loose in the streets, such as we have seen here in Kensington and have observed the stupid woman who allow their dogs to enter fruit and vegetable stores - which makes one wonder what the health department rules are on that subject.

Ever truly
E. W. L. L. L.

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ALLEN H. WRIGHT City Clerk

Communication

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Emma Lesina

re Dogs

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JUL 24 1933

San Diego.
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To The City Council.

San Diego, Calif.

Gentlemen: - I read
the inclosed article and
wish to add my protest
to the Dog Nuisance.

I have been annoyed
for over a year by the
noise of a dog who puts
in a greater part of the
day barking and recently
another dog has come to the
neighborhood who barks
at night. Dogs that bark
or roam the streets are
not good watch dogs but
are a nuisance and
annoyance to the sick
and old as well as to

The people who have
their lawns torn up.

It seems unfair that
the Citizens who own
their homes must be
annoyed be the pets
of people which in
so many cases are just
Renters

Isn't it possible
for The Council to do
something to relieve the
city of this dog nuisance

Yours Respect
Mrs Mary B. Hoffine
4196 Poplar St
San Diego, Cal.

San Diego, California.

July 18th 1933.

The City Council,
San Diego, California.

Gentlemen:

Regarding the article in today's Tribune relative to a woman's claim against the city for twelve hundred dollars damages for dogs:

Should the claim be established as "just" according to law; pay up and look pleasant. The city should pay for man's idiotic tolerance of dogs and other pests which have no place in the scheme of civilization. In contact with the human race they are unsanitary and unhealthful (physically and mentally) and if tolerated, they should be selected and bred for useful purposes on ranches or confined in the Zoo's, and not allowed to run at large in towns or cities.

The majority of these dogs are of a vicious and jealous temperament. Their insane desire to frighten and harass unfamiliar and unprotected persons and animals make them a menace to the public in general. Their daily exhibitions of filthiness are tolerated because they are a source of revenue to a certain few, but primarily, because some women and some men desire something they can boss, and "get away with it".

History informs us that cave-women had domesticated vicious animals for protectors while their cave-man was absent hunting food and clothing. It now seems that regardless of costly police protection the city furnishes its residents, or how much disturbance the dog causes in the neighborhood, or how much filth or disease the dog scatters around the premises; The majority of women "feel more safe" if they are allowed at will to caress anything from an animated Mop-head to a Siberian Waffle-hound, so long as it has hair to dally with.

Unless we have a real desire to advance in civilization; I suggest: We grow long hair and whiskers, grab a shillalah and return to the cave-man's status properly. Otherwise; We should be allowed to pay the necessary license fee and at least claim equal rights with the dog. Then, with impunity, we could (as the notion struck us) sit up and howl night or day; Commit nuisances on barber-poles, fruit-stands and delicate flowering plants; Make our deposits in the bank, or on the neighbour's lawn or side-walk. We could fight each other to a finish. We could bare our fangs, rush out and cuss out children, women and strangers, all with "impunity" knowing that mamma and the S.P.C.A. would protect us because we were "too dumb to know better" but not too dumb to leave "mamma" when the "pickins" got lean and someone offered better.

From observation; I am of the opinion and others have estimated that: Possibly a scant one-half of all the dogs in this city are licensed, many without even a collar. In proportion to the population, San Diego probably has more dogs than any Indian village or mining camp in California. I have lived in four different districts of the city and am now living in East San Diego and the useless, senseless din of rackerous barking dogs, from six o'clock to ten a.m., and

from four p.m., until one o'clock a.m., is scarcely silenced by the necessary and un-necessary sounds of traffic.

Lately, I reported the din of two exceptionally rackerous snuggle-hounds to the Police Department. I was asked: "if they were licensed"? - Since when! did the city begin to license nuisances? - I was informed by the Police that "they would speak to the owners"- If the "owners" have passed the word along to the dogs, the noisy mutts have forgotten the warning.

The mild climate of San Diego attracts both residents and visitors and the even temperature mitigates the danger from hydrophobia in dogs but not "dog-madness" - That is hereditary - They are mad as soon as they learn from experience that, if uncontroled, they can frighten, bluff and injure even their owners if the mood strikes them, by barking, snarling and snapping.

I do not believe in cruelty to any living thing however; I do believe in disposing of all pests and pets that have become a nuisance and a great many men and women in this city (some who own dogs) are of the same opinion.

It has never been necessary for the Mayor to appeal to me to attend symphony concerts where the music is grand and inspiring; those harmonious notes would linger with me while memory lasts if they were not positively driven from memory or at least broken into by the discordant, cowardly, rackerous barking "obbligato" of the DOG chorus. I love beauty and harmony in everything, and there are thousands of people in this city of a like disposition. Must we then tolerate this terrible dog-din, vicious and discordant, because some women cannot forget her ancestary or some effeminate "he-man" who, unable to boss his wife, desires to have something around, he can't boss.

San Diego is in a fare way of becoming the "city beautiful" of California - Shall it be like a beautiful musical instrument, out of tune? - A beautiful woman with a gun-moll's voice - or will it be a beautiful city of harmony and peace? On a foggy morning, the voice of "Moanin Lena" is discordant but when compared to the hate-filled angry barking of a dog, Lena's voice is harmonious.

We are supposed to have five conscious senses; In the process of constructing the "City Beautiful" let us incorpote some of our other senses. Sight is wonderful but Smelling and Hearing are not to be sneezed at.

Controversies of this nature are usually, to be avoided but the egotistical owners of these nuisances have encroached on the rights and comforts of others in the community to such an extent that they have become intolerable to our present-day civilization, and I am hereby protesting against its continuance.

Respectfully,

Albert H. Borland,
Station C, box 81,
San Diego, California.



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ALLEN H. WRIGHT City Clerk

FRED W. SICK

By Deputy

COMMUNICATION

FROM

Mrs Mary B. Hoffine

protesting against stray

dogs

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