

March 17, 1926

Mr. Charles Hennig,
c/o Hennig & Smith,
Orlando, Fla.

Dear Mr. Hennig:-

You told me I might come back with questions, if any arose from material which I gathered when with you. Well now, there are two points which I shall be grateful if you will answer.

First, the race track which you would not have at Orlando is in Seminole County, is it not? If not, how far away from Orlando did you stipulate that it should be.

Second, I want to jot down in one of my articles some of the gambling evidences that I have seen taking good care, of course, that neither place nor party should be identified. I am wondering if you would have any objection to my using the story that you told me in some such form as this.

A friend of mine told me he almost completed a sale of land at a price of some \$200,000. His purchaser was so interested that he said, "If you will come to me at ----- next week I promise to take the property at your price." Of course, my friend kept the engagement, but when he arrived the gentleman said: "I owe you an apology. I wanted that property, and if I had not been in good faith, of course, I should not have asked you to come here, but yesterday a woman, who has been a long standing friend of our family, came to me in utter distress - she had lost \$175,000. at the gambling table. She had not the money to pay and to repudiate would have thrown her out of society, and asked that I save her by buying certain property, all that she had to offer. I could do no less, so the money I intended to invest in your land has gone to pay a gambling debt, and I have on my hands something in which I have little faith."

You will be quite frank Mr. Hennig, will you not, in telling me whether or not you feel this would be a proper thing for me to use. Of course you know, I would not for the world implicate you. The figures could be changed, of course, probably should be as they are those that you gave me. Think it over and kindly let me know!

Mr. Charles Hennig #2.

I found myself so tired yesterday after I had checked up on my article and sent it off to New York that I spent the afternoon sitting in the sun, which, in my judgment, is about what people should do in Florida. I am almost myself again this morning and at work.

I cannot express my appreciation of the kindness you and Mrs. Hennig showed me at Orlando. I hope Harriet's cold is better, give them my love and believe me,

Cordially yours,