

508 Main Street,
El Centro, Calif.,
Sept. 29, 1938.

Mr. Plutarco Elias Calles,
1224 Upas Street,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Mr. Calles:

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If you are interested in land in Imperial Valley, I would be very glad to show you what we have to offer any time that you are over this way.

Yours very truly,

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1212 Upas Street
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Noviembre 5 de 1938

Sr. E. Zermeño
P. O. Box 3
Brawley, Calif.

Mi muy estimado y fino amigo:

Le acompaño copia de una carta del Sr. C. E. Sprouse en que propone la venta de algunos terrenos situados en ese Valle.

Como conozco la experiencia de Ud. en asunto de tierras, le agradecería darme un reporte de las propiedades a que se refiere la carta adjunta y su opinión sobre la conveniencia de esta operación, para poder informar a mi vez, a algunos amigos míos de México que desean venir a trabajar en la agricultura en este País.

Agradeciéndole este servicio, queda su afmo. amigo
y S. S.

P. Elías Calles

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1212 Upas Street
San Diego, Calif.
November 5, 1938

Mr. C. E. Sprouse
508 Main Street
El Centro, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Due to my absence from this city, of several weeks' duration, I had not replied to your letter of Sept. 29th., '38.

The contents of your letter of reference will be made known to some of my friends who are interested in buying lands in that Valley, and upon receipt of any information from them, I will be glad to get in touch with you again.

Yours very truly,

P. Elías Calles

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El Centro, California
November 22, 1938

Mr. P. Elias Calles
1212 Upas Street
San Diego, California

Dear Mr. Calles:

Your two brother-in-laws from Brawley met me last Sunday, and we drove out to see three parcels of land which I have the handling of to sell. I have other tracts also, in sizes from 80 acres up to 640 and more, but after talking with your brother-in-laws, I was sure that you would only be interested in the very best which we have to offer.

I showed them 640 acres known as the Baker ranch, located on the Highway North of Calexico in one of the best sections of this Valley, and I will say, Mr. Calles, that this particular piece of land is very choice in every respect. In fact, I consider it is one of the very best we have to offer. The price is \$125.00 an acre straight through. I have been out this morning again to the ranch, going over it thoroughly with the owners, and I am very anxious for you and your friends to see this place as soon as it is convenient for you to come over.

I also showed your brother-in-laws 160 acres that is rented for a third of the hay in the bale, until July, 1939. After this lease expires I believe that I can lease it for about \$35.00 per acre for vegetables, as it is in an early vegetable section.

I am also lining up about 1000 acres in another body, of which one of the owners is out of the Valley now, and I will hear from her in a few days. However, I must say that the first place, 640 acres, is no doubt the place that will appeal to you and your friends, and the owners have turned this place over to me at \$125.00 per acre, which is the best price I have ever been able to quote this ranch at.

Trusting that I may hear from you as to when you might be over, or if you suggest, and will name the time, I will drive over to San Diego to meet you in person and give you all the information I can.

Thanking you for your letter of November 5th, I am

Yours very truly,

E. E. Sprauer
308 Main Street

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