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Notes on  
Photographs  
of  
Flood Damages  
in  
San Diego County

Damages done in  
January 1916

Photographs taken  
May and June  
1916  
by W.C. Earle

1. May 1-1916  
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Clear

No 1-1 View of landslide on E side  
of River 1000 feet south of depot  
at Foster. Soil was washed  
off to bedrock carrying with it  
trees and boulders which are  
shown in the foreground.

This slide missed a house by  
but 100 feet to the south, the  
road was covered with deposit  
several feet deep in places  
This slide is but typical of  
the. Hillside from Latside  
to Foster and on up to the  
top of Mussy grade, the Hwy  
up Mussy grade being covered  
in many places by such  
slides as this. Slides all  
indicate that the soil was  
in a semi-liquid form  
note. Slope is not very steep

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No 1-2 View of ranch Bldg. on <sup>H. Q.</sup> Western  
dairy ranch at Foster. S. D. & E. Ry.  
washed out in foreground. This  
picture taken from same point as  
No 1-1 but looking in opposite direction  
Of 222 acres in this ranch 20 acres  
were washed out and away and  
balance covered with sand deposit  
from 1 to 3 feet deep. Formerly  
alfalfa, now badly cut and sand  
and rock covered - Feed destroyed  
90 head of cattle, taken to Morena  
and La Mesa - 23 head lost in flood  
and several carloads of feed. Water  
came in such so men could not  
get from barn to house, 4 days  
before entrance to horse barn could  
be had. Flood high June 27-7:30 a.m.  
First flood June 16 did no damage.  
except small wash. <sup>This is San</sup> Vicente creek

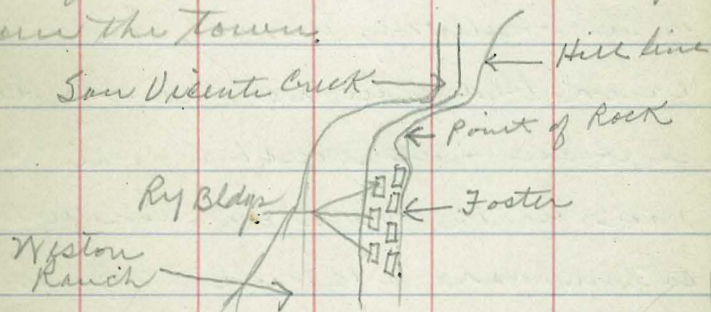
3 May 1-16

Clear

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No 1-3 San Diego and South Eastern Ry. Station Bldgs. at Foster. The land in foreground was formerly cultivated but now washed out to gravel bottom. Beyond these buildings and at the base of the hill is the residence of Mr. Joe Foster, supervisor. The hills were washed fairly clean of soil and boulders and the valley land (gardens, yards etc.) are covered with deep deposit of soil and rock. The canyon shown back of the water tank is Messing canyon, water came out of this canyon 30 feet deep. Ranchers in the canyon attempted to warn the people at Foster by phone but could not on account of wires being down

or line washed out. The only thing that saved the town of Foster from probably being entirely washed out was a point of rock that projects into the river just above the Foster residence which is the one furthest north in the town, thereby diverting the force of the flow to the west or away from the town.



Mr. Joe Foster, according to his daughter-in-law, has lived at Foster 36 years and has never before seen such runoff and slides.

5 May 1-16

clear

No 1-4 View on San Vicente Creek looking north toward Foster. The Western dairy ranch Bldg and land covered with sand are seen in the left and the San Diego and Southeastern Ry track in the foreground. The Hwy shown is of recent construction, the Hwy formerly being on the left of the railway track where the creek bed now is, the old Hwy is shown approaching the creek bed on the right in line with cottonwood trees and telephone pole. The hills in the background had many slides

6  
No 1-5 San Vicente creek - looking south along former center line of Hwy which is shown in foreground and can be traced by telephone posts in background. This picture taken approx 1 mile south of Foster. River channel was formerly on extreme right at base of hill and channel shown is now wash but from 4 to 6 ft. deep. This was formerly traversed by Hwy and by tracks of S.D. & S.E. Ry. which can be seen and traced by line of Right of Way fence posts. This land was formerly in alfalfa, further wash was prevented by placing sand sacks and rock. Low land on right formerly alfalfa, now sand covered. Bldg on left houses irrigation pump and engine. Note debris on left & right  
see sketch next page

7 May 1-16

No 1-5

Base of Hill line

Former Channel - San Vicente Creek

This area - formerly in alfalfa  
covered with sand deposit  
and debris

North  
↑

7' Bank cut →

New Channel Cut →

old Hwy - washed out

S.D. & S.E. Ry Track - washed out

Bank cut 4 to 6 ft deep

Present Hwy

To Lakeside  
↓

Clear

Irrig. Pump  
House shown  
in left of  
picture

No 1-6 View south on San Vicente creek  
back of ranch Bldgs. on the Lewis ranch  
approx 1 1/2 miles south of Foster. Note  
collapsed barn in left foreground. The  
channel shown is new cut, formerly  
alfalfa field and corral. Old channel  
was to right of trees in background  
and can be seen at either end.  
This ranch contained 117 1/2 acres  
all in cultivation - 35 acres were  
washed out entirely and 50% of  
the balance covered with sand  
deposit, several Bldgs destroyed  
and cement pipe irrigation system  
badly damaged.

2 May 1-1916  
Est 23

clear

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No 1-7849 Panoramas taken at junction of San Vicente Creek and San Diego River. Practically all of the river channel as shown was formerly cultivated fields. The old channel of the San Vicente followed close in to the Hwy and grain field shown in the foreground. The San Vicente channel was greatly enlarged and deepened.

The channel shown on the left extending to the left towards the hills is entire new channel of the San Diego River where it broke through and formed new junction with the San Vicente. This year, part of the flow of the San Diego river really emptying into the enlarged former channel of the San

Vicente. The town of Lakeside is in the extreme right. The Hwy Lakeside to Foster and S. D. + S. G. Ry. formerly traversed this land from the extreme left, where Ry. track can be seen to the train and white building in the center. Several Bldgs were destroyed here besides the washed out and one house is shown as destroyed and land in the background is shown as covered with sand etc. Note slides on the hills on extreme left. In center back ground of right picture is shown old Hwy truss bridge, which was paralleled by S. D. + S. G. Ry. bridge both of which spanned former main channel of San Diego River and both of which were <sup>destroyed</sup> partly



11 May 1-1916  
Exp 14

clear

No 1-10 View looking east up new channel of San Diego River north of Lakeside where it entered the channel of the San Vicente creek. Note slides in background, destroyed house in channel and S. D. & S. E. Ry. track, near white building, dropping into the river bed. This Ry. track and the Highway, Lakeside to Foster, formerly traversed this washed out land. San Diego River can be seen in background beyond line of trees.

Exp 16

17

No 1-11 View showing slides on south side of San Diego River one half mile above Cuyamaca Water Company's Mouth pump station above Lakeside. The horizontal line that can be traced along the hill side is the flume line of the Cuyamaca Water Company. The pole line shown on the left bank is the power line of the San Diego Consolidated Gas & Elec. Co. and before the flood was on the opposite or south bank and was washed out.

<sup>13</sup> May 3-16

clear

No 1-12 View of Cape Horn showing flow of river (San Diego) May 3, 1916. The Hwy (Lakeside to the Diverting Dam formerly passed around this point and can be seen on either side, it is now washed out here and at many points above and is impossible on this date above this point, below this or toward Lakeside, a great deal of the Hwy was washed out and is rebuilt in new location further up on side hill. From here to N. line of E. L. more or less most of road is in new location, fields washed out and sand deposited.

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No 2-1 View looking west or down San Diego River one mile below Cape Horn, showing channel change of river, all of the river bed in the picture was formerly cultivated field and traversed by County Hwy, Lakeside to Diverting dam. This picture was taken from center of Hwy, which is shown in foreground, and extended to trees in extreme right background. The horizontal line on hillside in background is flume line of Cuyamaca Water Company. This is a typical scene from Cape Horn to Lakeside.

15 May 3-16

Clear

No 2-2 View taken north across San Diego River from S. D. & S. E. Ry. bridge (shown in foreground) at Lakeside showing Hwy bridge on right. Both bridges were partially washed out. The old main channel of the San Diego River was spanned by these bridges (there are two more tresses on Hwy bridge like those shown) These bridges extended towards trees shown in center background, the old channel was practically choked by debris and sand deposit and practically all of channel shown beyond the bridges is new channel. Note slides on hills in background and debris against Ry bridge and Hwy bridge.

Ex 10

16

No 2-3 View taken from North end of Hwy bridge, shown in No 2-2, across new channel of San Diego River toward San Vicente creek. Entire washed portion shown is new channel. This picture taken from opposite point where pictures (panorama) No 1-7, 8 & 9 were taken. S. D. & S. E. Ry. parallels this bridge and crossed to trees in center background. Both Hwy and Ry. track washed out.

17 May 3-16

No. 2-4 View looking downstream on San Diego River two miles below Lakeside showing width of present river channel. The former channel here was much narrower and lined with heavy growth of cottonwood trees, nearly all of which were washed out. Santa is on the extreme left in back ground and this side the river cut in and washed out Hwy (Santa to Lakeside) S. D. & S. E. Ry. tracks and large area of cultivated land.

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No. 5 View upstream on San Diego River two and one half miles below Lakeside showing channel change and wash out referred to in No. 2-4. River was formerly on left of trees shown in left foreground but broke through in line with furthest flat ear and washed out S. D. & S. E. Ry. Co's tracks, Hwy and land. New highway shown on right, all traversed wash and is now used to some extent and Ry. track is rebuilt in former location.

19 May 3-16

clear

Nov-6 View downstream on San Diego River from same point that picture Nov-5 was taken showing how river washed the land. Everything shown in this picture is new wash, the old channel being back of the trees shown in extreme right background. This land was formerly in dairy pastures or cultivated and is now washed out and covered with sand and debris. Water extended up to and covered tracks of S.D. & S. E. Ry. Co. shown in foreground Dupre dairy ranch at Santel is shown in left, center background tonight of first power line pole. These areas flooded in this picture came from the break as shown in Nov-5.

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Nov-7 View taken looking upstream on San Diego River below Santel from the next ranch west of the Scripps "Fanita Ranch" one of the ranch Blays showing in center background. All of the channel shown in this picture is new, the old channel being to the left of the trees shown in left of picture. This land was formerly all in alfalfa and is now washed out and covered with sand, the cuts being several feet deep in center. The land shown is owned by the La Mesa, Lemon Grove and Spring Valley Irrigation District and is part of its reservoir site for impounding water if dam should be constructed in Mission Gorge.

2<sup>1</sup> May 3-16

Clear

Nov-8 View upstream on San Diego River one half mile above Old Mission Dam showing overflowed and sand deposited land, the former channel was on the extreme left of the picture. Note slides on the hills and uprooted trees in the river bed

May 4-16

Clear

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Nov-9 View of rebuilt Los Angeles and San Diego Bench Ry bridge (the furthest on pile bridge) and the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Ry bridge across the San Diego River at Oldtown. The former bridge was washed out, also the approaches to the Santa Fe bridge but the girders on the Santa Fe bridge were saved by standing loaded freight cars on same. The river left its channel here and flowed across the flats into Mission Bay all of the land beyond the bridge being flooded and many houses being destroyed. There was no much greater flow of water in the San Diego river on Mar 3 at Cape Horn than on this date at this point

<sup>23</sup> Mar 4-16

clear

Nov-10 View showing collapsed concrete bridge built by the city of San Diego across the San Diego River at Oldtown and the new pile bridge constructed since the collapse of the former bridge. The approach or dyke to the former bridge was also washed out to the first pole shown on left side of road. The approach shown to the new bridge in this picture being a new pile. The city isolation hospital in the right background was flooded to the second story.

<sup>24</sup>

Nov-11 View east or upstream on San Diego River taken from the city of San Diego's Mission Valley pump station showing formerly cultivated land now covered with sand deposit. The old channel was to the left of the power pole line shown in the center of the picture.

Note the depth of sand deposit in the foreground.

25  
Mar 4-16

clear

No 2-12 View upstream on San Diego river taken one half mile further upstream than No 2-11 showing land covered with sand deposit. Channel was formerly to extreme left

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No 3-1 View of new pile bridge across San Diego River at the Old Mission or what was known as the Murphy canyon or Escandido bridge, also showing one truss of old bridge remaining. These like trusses each one hundred feet in length were washed out. The San Diego Mission can be seen in background and the land shown covered with sand was formerly a Chinese vegetable garden



Mar 4-16

clear

No 3-2 Same as No 3-1 taken along center line of old trestle bridge, between points of camera and remaining span there were washed out there are hundred foot trestle spans on steel cylinders filled with concrete

No 3-3 View of land slides on north bank of San Diego River one fourth mile upstream from Old San Diego Mission. This picture is typical of hillsides along the San Diego River, nearly every draw or gully along the San Diego River has a slide or slides of greater or less extent. In this picture the rain that caused these slides was only that which fell on the surface shown, there was no drainage from above for from the crest, as shown in the picture, the drainage was in the opposite direction. The river channel is at the base of the hill but the land was overflowed to a point in places of 500 feet back of the camera

Mar 4-16

clear

No 3-4-5 View upstream on San Diego River two miles above the Old San Diego Mission. All land shown white or covered by sand was formerly cultivated fields, alfalfa, etc. The old channel of the river was to the left of trees in left background. At present in addition to the old channel there are five separate and distinct channels through the land in foreground. The Highway up the valley and thro Mission Canyon extended across the center of right picture following pale line shown to house at base of hill. The sand deposit is from 1 to 5 ft. deep. Land is badly cut up and several Bldgs washed out

No 3-6 Picture of section of old Mission aqueduct just below Old Mission Dam (First Ave). This aqueduct is over 150 years old and has stood intact until the floods this year when practically all of it was washed out, there remaining only sections here and there

<sup>31</sup> May 4-16 Clear but shadows  
Et 14

No 3-7 View of section of Old Mission aqueduct 300 feet below dam. Square white faced tile is stood in corner at end of section, another square tile is held at high water mark which was 15 feet above the aqueduct here which is built in solid rock at this point

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No 3-8 Another view of Old Mission aqueduct. Square tile stood in corner and white handkerchief in stick denote section of aqueduct and white tile is held at high water mark. From point of camera to white handkerchief entire aqueduct was not out

May 5-16

Hazy &amp; windy

No 3-9 View looking north across  
Tia Juana River Valley one  
fourth mile east from its mouth.

During flood stage the river  
extended from a point 50 ft.  
in advance of camera to group  
of trees in left center background  
width approximately three miles.

This entire area was badly  
washed and covered with  
sand deposit and debris.

No 3-10, 11, 12 Panoramic view of  
Tia Juana River Valley one mile  
east of the Pacific Ocean. All the  
land in the foreground and

back to the trees and ridge in  
background was formerly in-  
tensely cultivated, now practically  
no cultivation, it is badly cut  
by channels and covered with  
sand and debris. Many ranch

buildings were washed out & land  
full of small draws and washes.  
Crops were destroyed, irrigation  
systems washed out and land  
practically swept bare, only  
the larger and stronger built  
buildings remaining.

<sup>35</sup> May 5-16

Hazy & windy

No 4-1 View of destroyed ranch & Building in Tia Juana River Valley 2 miles south of Nestor. Note house destroyed, other Bldgs were washed away. The channel through here is new, the old channel being 1500 ft. to the north. The land was formerly on same level in all directions as land to left of house and intensely cultivated. Land now cut in all directions and covered with sand deposit. Portion of orchard seen still be seen beyond auto. Note in background how land is covered with sand.

Et 8

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No 4-2 View of temporary bridge across Tia Juana River  $1\frac{3}{4}$  miles south of Nestor. This picture was taken from about center of area covered by water and looking north towards Nestor. River was here  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile wide, in center foreground can be seen white steel cylinder pier all that remains of old tuss bridge across river. Land on either side of bridge was in high state of cultivation, now badly cut, washed out and covered with sand. Note sand deposits in background. This picture was taken 1500 feet north of point where picture No 4-1 was taken and was old main channel of Tia Juana River.

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May 6-16

Exp 13

Clear

No 4-3 Picture of remains of old adobe wall at Old San Diego Mission showing how San Diego River widened its channel and cut away adobe wall. This wall formerly extended from right of picture to last tree in left center foreground. Now only a small portion remains at either end - land in foreground was formerly in gardens. This wall built at the time of the Old Mission and land in foreground is washed out to depth of from 2 to 6 feet deep.

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No 4-4, 5, 6, 7, 8. Panorama of San Diego river valley taken from top of cliff back of Old Town showing how Mission Valley was flooded. All light colored land is sand deposit. Heavy in right and left foreground was flooded and entire area shown beyond the last two bridges at extreme left and northward to Mission Bay. Water was up to second story in Isolation Hospital.

<sup>39</sup> May 8-16

Hazy & windy

No 4-9 View looking south across Sweetwater Valley south of National City showing main Highway to Tia Juana washed out which followed line of telephone poles. Long bridge spanned old channel on south side of valley and was washed out. The Hwy was a fill of from 3 to 6 feet and as widened but little remains. Parallel to and  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile west of this Hwy the San Diego and Arizona Ry fill and two bridges were washed out. This fill was from 10 to 15 feet high and the bridge approximately 250 feet long.

Est 8

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No 4-10 View across Tia Juana River Valley  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile below San Ysidro Valley looking west at time of flood water extended from S. D. & S. C. Ry. track in foreground to base of hills in background, approx. 3 miles. all land in foreground was in very high state of cultivation & many houses and buildings were upon it which were washed away. On this land was located the colony of Little Landers. Practically all buildings were washed away, land badly cut and covered with sand & debris. The channel shown in foreground is new, old channel being beyond the trees in center background.

41  
May 8-16

Hazy

No 4-11 View looking upstream  
on Tia Juana River 1 mile north  
of San Pedro. This picture was  
taken from center of County paved  
Highway to Tia Juana which is  
shown in foreground as partly  
washed away. The channel  
shown in foreground is new  
and can be traced back to  
the old channel. The new  
channel occupies formerly  
cultivated land and paved  
Highway also the tracks of the  
San Diego P.E. Ry. Note how  
land was washed out before  
present channel as shown.  
At time of flood the ranch  
buildings shown in center  
were completely surrounded  
by water, channel on all sides

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No 4-12 This picture was taken  
downstream from point 300  
feet above point where No 4-11  
was taken. Everything shown  
as channel in this picture is  
washed out cultivated land  
it being a continuation of  
the new channel shown in  
No 4-11 - Note County paved  
Highway and tracks of S.D. & S.  
E. Ry washed out in fore-  
ground. These two pictures  
are but typical of the  
meanderings and damage  
done by this river from  
the International line to  
the mouth of the river



May 9-16

Hazy

No 5-1 View looking upstream in Sweetwater River at Bonita; all of channel shown is new wash formerly cultivated fields and traversed from point of camera to trees in center by Hwy. also by tracks of S. D. & P. R. Ry. Old channel was on left of trees in left foreground. Sweetwater Water Co's pipe line was washed out here as was the City of San Diego's Bonita pipe line  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile downstream, also Concrete Hwy. bridge near city pipe line all bottom land was badly cut by channel changes and heavy deposits of sand were made.

No 5-2 View looking south from center of new earthen dam on south side of Sweetwater Reservoir showing damage done by breasting of old earthen dike or dam. Soil was stripped to bedrock. Note high water mark.

45  
May 9-1916

Hazy

No 5-3 View downstream on Sweetwater river  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile below the Sweetwater dam showing washed out track of S. D. & P. E. Ry. note overturned flat cars washed out rock quarry plus in center (left) foreground Hwy bridge was washed out and valley land below flooded and covered with sand which formerly was in cultivation

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No 5-4 View upstream on Sweetwater river from Bonnie Brae ranch just above junction of Sweetwater river and flow from broken earthen dam on south side of Sweetwater reservoir. This picture shows cut and flooded land of valley. All land in picture was in high state of cultivation, vegetable gardens predominating. The S. D. & P. E. Ry. Co's track formerly crossed this land but is now completely washed out as was a concrete bridge just below this point. Channel shown is new, the old one formerly being an extreme right

May 10-16  
Est 28

Hazy &amp; Cloudy

No 5-5 View looking north across Sweetwater river at lower end of Jannatho valley showing new bridge and river channel. This bridge is an main highway to Imperial Valley via Campo and <sup>old bridge</sup> was washed out. River channel was here cut down from 6 to 8 feet the former river bed was on same level as land seen at far end of bridge, this channel cut extends up and down the river for miles, the former channel being scoured out and greatly deepened and also widened.

No 5-6 View upstream from center of bridge showing in No 5-5 showing how river channel was cut down and out, the former river bed here was practically level, and extended from base of trees in right to base of trees on left the channel was cut down 16 feet at first tree on right.

May 10-16

Est 17

Hazy

No 5-7 View downstream on Sweet water river in Juvakho Valley. Defton Hog ranch shown on right where palms are seen. All land shown as channel was formerly in alfalfa, bank on extreme right is from 6 to 12 feet deep and flood waters extended above and beyond this bank - 40 acres were here washed out and Hwy crossed this land from point of camera to point beyond trees in center background, several Bldgs were washed out, old channel was to left of any point shown in this picture.

No 5-8 Same view as No 5-7 but taken back from river bank, 400 feet showing entire area washed out. Everything shown as having been washed was formerly cultivated fields. The Hwy shown in the background crossed this area to a point 400 feet to the left or south of point of camera. All land in foreground and up to and beyond last palm tree shown on extreme right was flooded and considerable sand deposit was made in places.

May 10-16

cloudy

No 5-9 View looking upstream on Sweetwater River at about center of Sec. 11-R. 1 E - T. 16. S. The entire channel shown is new and a good portion of same was formerly cultivated, now destroyed by river. The old channel was to the right of trees shown down center of picture

Apr 15

No 5-10, 11, 12 View of Sweetwater River at Old D. Mesa (Center of Sec. 16) Practically all land shown here except channel in extreme background is new channel. The old channel was beyond the trees shown in center and right background. Everything this side of the trees was washed out. The cut shown on either side of the camera is in places of 20 feet deep. This land was all in cultivation mostly in bearing olive and orange orchards, olive trees can be seen on either side and also uprooted in stream bed. At flood stage water was over point of camera and made heavy sand deposit on orchard land in rear of camera, trees now unbedded in sand <sup>beyond lower branches</sup>

May 11-16

Hazy

No 6-1 View looking up Sweetwater river showing from an elevation same section as is shown in pictures No 5, 10, 11 & 12. Old river channel hugged close to the point shown in center of picture. Practically all of channel as shown was formerly in cultivation, mostly orchards of olives and oranges and was washed out. The olive orchard shown in right foreground and orange orchard shown on extreme left were covered with heavy sand deposit up into the branches.

Exp 17

No 6-2 View looking downstream on Sieja's Creek, a tributary of the Sweetwater, taken directly back of the buildings at the "Willows". This picture is typical of erosion on the headwaters of the Sweetwater river, this picture being taken 5 miles from the source of the creek. The former creek bed was at the base of the trees shown on right bank and was but a slight depression in the ground. The camera was held but two feet above former river bed and the depth of cut immediately in advance of the camera was 32 feet. Where this channel now is was formerly a vegetable garden. Channel cut as shown extends up and down stream for practically entire distance. Sieja's valley is cut and cross cut by channels as above.

May 11-16

Hazy

No 6-3 Destroyed - Two exposures on 1/2 plm

No 6-4 View on Sweetwater river at Halbert ranch. This is a picture of a side wash, ground formerly was perfectly level. Depth of cut, which is 18 feet deep, is illustrated by man standing in wash in foreground. The water causing this wash out was drainage from area not to exceed 1000 acres and slopes are not steep. Side washes such as this are numerous on headwaters of Sweetwater river. Rainfall records kept at Halbert ranch show over 30 inches of rain fall in Jan 1916

No 6-5 View downstream on Sweetwater river at Halbert ranch taken from same point as No 6-4 showing how river washed. The entire channel as shown is new, the old channel being beyond the extreme left of picture. The side wash (Picture No 6-4) is shown entering in foreground. The land washed out was formerly used for pastorage and water overflowed the field as shown up to base of hills, possibly high water can be traced in picture by sand deposit

May 11-16 <sup>Est 28</sup>

cloudy

No 6-6 View looking downstream  
 on Santa water river 1 mile above  
 Discauso, 10 miles approx. from  
 source of river. This picture  
 shows old channel in right  
 foreground to the right of and  
 beyond boulders in foreground  
 all other channel shown to  
 left is new channel washed out  
 The old channel shown here  
 averaged 25 feet wide and 6 feet  
 deep. New channel averages  
 from 10 to 15 feet deep and  
 300 feet wide. Through this  
 entire section this river deepened  
 and widened old channel or  
 cut new channel in above  
 proportions.

May 12-16

Hazy

No 6-7 View of San Diego and Arizona  
 Ry. bridge across Tia Juana River  
 at Hot Springs, Baja, California  
 (Mexico) This bridge as shown is  
 rebuilt, old bridge of same type  
 was washed out - Bridge is 70 spans  
 long, each span 15 feet length 1050 ft.  
 below and above this bridge the  
 river spread very wide and after  
 cutting out considerable land  
 left heavy sand deposit (Note sand  
 deposit in foreground) The fill  
 at south end of bridge shown in  
 right foreground saved the hotel  
 Bldgs at Hot Springs from being  
 washed away, the barn and some  
 outbuildings were washed away  
 and high water mark on hotel  
 is five feet from ground or  
 6 inches below window sills



May 12-16

E47

Hazy

No 6-8 View of 30 ft steel deck plate girder on south bank of Tia Juana River which was a part of the San Diego and Arizona Ry. bridge across the Tia Juana River at Tunnel #1. This girder was washed out and carried by the flood water to the point where shown which is about 2 miles below the bridge. The channel shown is new channel, the old channel being on the other side of the hill shown in center background.

E47

No 6-9 View of San Diego and Arizona Ry. steel deck girder bridge on steel towers and concrete piers, across the Tia Juana River  $\frac{1}{6}$  mile West of Tunnel #1 or about 14 miles East and south of Tia Juana. This bridge was washed out by the flood and some of the 30 ft. steel girders were carried downstream 2 miles as shown in other pictures. See girder on river bottom in right foreground. Engr. Williams of S. D. & A. Ry says that the concrete piers in stream bed were built to a point 7 ft. above highest known water and at time of flood water was 4.8 ft above top of piers or 55 ft. higher than highest known water. Two steel towers have never been found.

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May 12-16

Hazy

No 6-10 Another 30 ft steel deck  
plate girder with tower attached  
from bridge shown in picture  
No 6-9 carried downstream from  
bridge site nearly one mile

May 13-16

Clear

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No 6-11 View looking downstream on  
San Diego River out of Old Mission  
canyon into head of Mission Valley  
All land on left of picture in valley  
flooded and badly cut and covered  
with sand, formerly all culti-  
vated, several buildings were  
washed out on this land. Note  
slides on hills in right back-  
ground which was caused by  
heavy rainfall on slope shown. In  
lower right foreground at base  
of hill old mission aqueduct  
was intact until this year  
Scarcely any of aqueduct left  
now. The old channel of river  
is fairly well defined by trees  
down center of picture.

63  
May 16-16

Exp 28

Clear

No 6-12 View looking upstream on Sweetwater river at about center of Sec 11 - Top 16 P. - R. & E. showing span of bridge labeled "Sagaters Bridge 2 spans 7 miles, Discauso 10 1/4 miles". This bridge is intact and consists of 4-50 ft spans, like the one shown, on concrete abutments and steel cylinder piers. This bridge formerly spanned the channel of the river but this year the river cut a channel around each end of the bridge (west channel is shown) west. The old channel under the bridge also carried its full quota of water. The bridge stood but water was one foot over the floor which is 1 1/2 feet above water <sup>level this date</sup>

May 17-16

Exp 17

Clear

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No 7-1 View looking downstream on Sweetwater river approx. 5 miles below source, or at head of Discauso Valley. Temporary bridge is shown in center of picture, where concrete ford was washed out. The former channel was but a small depression in the ground here, now the channel throughout Discauso Valley is from 50 to 700 feet wide and from 8 to 20 ft. deep and throughout is cut to boulders or gravel. The banks shown in picture were covered with water over 2 feet deep at time of flood. The drainage area here on the west is over all the divide paralleling the stream from 1/2 to 1 mile.

May 17-16 Est 17 clear

No 7-2 View looking upstream on branch of Sweetwater river, from Samagatuma valley, two miles east of Discauso. The channel shown is practically an entire new channel, the old channel being but a small depression on top of the ground. This channel is now from 15 to 30 feet deep and from 75 to 200 feet wide.

Est 18

No 7-3 View downstream from point 500 feet below point where No 7-2 was taken. This picture was taken from the center of Highway (Discauso to Campo) which formerly crossed at this point. The depth of cut in foreground is 38 feet and water during the flood covered the Highway.

<sup>67</sup>  
May 17-16

clear

Exp 6

No 7 - of Views of Pine Valley and  
Pine Valley Creek at Junction at  
west side of valley where all  
feeders come together just before  
creek enters the canyon, showing  
how water cut into the soil  
to bedrock. The depth of cut in  
foreground at junction of the  
two cuts is 34 feet. This point  
is within 4 miles of the source  
of the river. Highway shown on  
right is main Hwy Descenso  
to Campo which formerly  
crossed the creek and came out  
at a point to left and 10 feet  
below camera. This highway is  
now washed out in many  
places in valley and the  
old road shown on left  
extending down the east

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side of the valley is now used.  
The old creek channel can  
be seen in line with and  
beyond the road shown on  
extreme left. This valley is  
badly cut throughout by  
channels of which this  
picture is typical.

May 17-16

clear

Exp 6

No 7-5 and 7-6 View looking  
up two new channel cuts in  
Pine Valley, both pictures  
taken from same point but of  
different channels, taken at  
junction of two channels as  
shown in picture No 7-4  
below two pine trees in  
right center

May 20-16

cloudy

No 7-7 View looking north along  
state (paved) Highway north of  
Del Mar at crossing of San  
Dieguito River. The Highway  
and bridge were here washed  
out, a portion of the bridge  
remaining shown in the  
center background. At time  
of flood the water extended  
and covered the pavement for  
1/2 mile to rear of point of  
camera. The Santa Fe  
bridge which paralleled the  
state highway approx. 1000 feet  
to the east was washed out  
also. This bridge as rebuilt  
consists of 75-15 ft. spans  
of pile trestle - length 1125  
feet.

71  
May 20-16

Cloudy

No 7-8 View on Escandido creek  
West of West line of San Diego  
Rancho showing new channel and  
bridge washed out. The most of  
old channel was on the other  
side of the trees shown in  
right foreground

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No 7-9 View looking across  
Escandido creek valley 500 feet  
east of Santa Fe tracks showing  
width of creek during flood  
stage which extended from  
the old straw stack shown in  
center foreground to the base  
of the hill in background.  
Width a little over one mile.

May 22-16

clear

No 7-10 View upstream on San Dieguito River taken from new highway bridge at Bernards. The channel shown is a new channel of the river, the old channel still remains and is beyond the extreme left of picture. The land where channel is now shown was formerly in pasture or in cultivation. Sand deposits on right designate the height of water.

No 7-11 View of new bridge across the San Dieguito River at Bernards. Except for the trestle this is a new bridge and much longer than the old bridge which was washed out. The pile trestle on this end of the bridge replaces two 50 foot trestle spans on steel cylinder piers filled with concrete that were washed out. All of the bridge beyond the trestle is new bridge and spans new channel that was cut, there being no bridge there previously. The land in foreground was all under water at time of flood the picture was taken from high water mark.



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May 22-16

Clear

No 7-1 View downstream on San Dieguito River at lower end of San Pasqual valley. The river at flood stage extended from pine trees on right to above sand deposit on left bank and up to base of road on edge of alfalfa field in immediate foreground. All land shown was badly cut and covered with sand or was the entire San Pasqual valley. The river channel changed and cut out large areas & large sand deposits were left. Many bad side washes. The bridge at upper end of valley was washed out.

This bridge was approx 200 ft. long in replacing it 31 feet of bridge was necessary to span the channel

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No. 8-1 View across Santa Ynez river just beyond or east of head of San Pasqual Valley showing how river cut out channel. Everything the other side of trees in center is new channel. The old channel was between trees and camera and was greatly widened and deepened besides the new channel cut on far side. The depth of cut in advance of camera is 7.5 feet. The portion cut out was covered with orchard, bank on opposite side in deepest place 7.8 ft.

May 22-16

Clear

No 8-2 View downstream on Santa Ysabel river. Head of San Pasqual Valley shown in far background, all of the river bottom through here except the small river channel was in cultivation, channel now greatly widened and deepened and balance of land covered with heavy sand deposit. Land in front of farm house on right bank was formerly garden & orchard. Note how cultivated land on ranch in foreground is covered with sand. This is last ranch at head of valley, river here enters canyon

No 8-3 View of Pano Valley from Pano Ramona grade showing how Santa Ysabel river washed in valley. Valley land here formerly in cultivation, badly washed and covered with sand. All streams in San Diego County during flood seasons cut banks and carry enormous quantities of silt and their beds are built up of this material from a great depth. During low water willows, poplars and cottonwoods grow in the river beds and on the banks that catch the silt for a time & give security to the banks. When extra high water comes the trees are uprooted and form temporary barriers that deflect the current and scouring commences, the end of which no one can foresee.

May 22-16

Clear

No 8-4 View looking downstream  
 on San Vicente Creek 2 miles  
 above Foster showing formerly  
 cultivated land covered with  
 sand and the land cut out  
 at either end of the concrete  
 bridge which formerly  
 spanned the creek at this  
 place (Missup). Within 500  
 feet to the east Padre Creek  
 empties into the San Vicente  
 and was spanned by the same  
 type of bridge but one half as  
 long. The land on either side  
 of this bridge was also washed  
 out. At time these bridges were  
 created they were undoubtedly  
 considered adequate to carry the  
 flow of the river but this year the  
 channel <sup>on both sides of bridge</sup> widened and washed out

May 23-16

Very Cloudy

No 8-5 View looking south on  
 Carrizo Creek, 3 miles from  
 the source showing how  
 creek washed out channel and  
 made sand deposit up into  
 branches of trees. The headwaters  
 of this creek are in the saddle  
 in Nts. shown in center of  
 this picture. The former  
 channel was but a few  
 feet deep (from 3 to 8) and  
 from 10 to 20 feet wide. This  
 creek is the south tributary  
 of the San Luis Rey on  
 Warners ranch.

May 23-16 Very cloudy  
 No 8-6 View upstream taken  
 from same point as No. 8-5  
 looking north across Warner's  
 ranch. Note how creek deposits  
 sand around oak tree. This  
 ranch was badly cut by  
 different small streams  
 running through it and  
 a great portion of the low  
 level valley land was  
 covered with water. Highway  
 from Warner's drive site down  
 San Luis Rey canyon is  
 impassible having been  
 badly washed out and in

May 24-16 Very cloudy & Windy  
 No 8-7 View of erosion in small  
 draw 2 miles south of south  
 line of Warner's ranch on  
 road to Santa Ysabel. Formerly  
 there was no cut here, it is  
 now 33 feet deep in deepest  
 place, to bedrock, and from  
 75 to 100 feet wide. Drainage  
 from approx 600 acres came  
 down this draw. Many  
 such washes as this are  
 found throughout the San  
 Luis Rey basin. Creek into  
 which this water discharg-  
 ed was carrying creek water  
 is shown in center of picture  
 along line of trees.

May 24-16

cloudy &amp; Windy

No 8-8 View of Santa Ysabel river taken from Warners ranch - Santa Ysabel highway 2 miles north of Santa Ysabel showing erosion. The old river bed can be seen on left in line with first poplar tree all work & bank cut on right is new and much deeper & wider than old channel.

Bridge on this highway, 100 feet to left of camera washed out and is seen lodged between the two poplar trees in center of picture. Picture taken 5 miles approx. from source; all streams & side washes from Warners to Santa Ysabel are in about same condition as this

May 25-16

clear

No 8-9 View upstream on unnamed creek that empties into San Luis Rey River opposite Bonsall. This picture taken 1 mile above mouth of creek, the source of creek is south of Fallbrook and picture taken approx. 5 miles from source stream has small drainage area. The old channel was an extreme right between pond and line of brush, note how stream left its channel and overflowed & left sand deposit. From here nearly to Fallbrook the stream cut the land badly as did the side washes, the Hwy (Inland Route to Los Angeles) was washed out in many places. From here to Bonsall this picture is typical of river bottom

<sup>85</sup>  
May 25-16

Clear

No 8-10 View of San Luis Rey River from east side of Mouserate Mountain showing sand deposit left by river. The Highway from Pala to Bonsall followed the river on other side of this Mt. being built on the canyon side. This Hwy was completely washed out and detour has to be made over the Mt.

The valley west of Mouserate Mt. is badly cut and covered with sand. The source of this creek is south of Rainbow. The sand deposit on the cultivated land in this picture which is toward the camera from the line of brush along the river is from 2 to 6 feet deep.

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No 8-11 View downstream on San Luis Rey River, showing portion of river and base of Mouserate Mt. in background. The Bonsall-Pala Hwy followed the base of this Mt. along the river and was completely washed out. All land between camera & Mt. was formerly an alfalfa field now washed out to depth of 4 feet. This picture is taken from a point 1000 feet east of the Mt. in the Hwy and at point of camera water was 4 feet deep. Back of camera is sand deposit shown in Picture No 8-10

May 25-16

Clear

No 8-12 View showing slides  
on Mountain side on North  
side of San Luis Rey River  
two miles below Pala. From  
Monserrate Mt. to the source  
of the river the mountains  
are covered with slides

May 29-16

Clear

No 9-1 View of remains of concrete  
Highway bridge across the San  
Luis Rey River north of Ocean  
side. Note permanent concrete  
bridge washed out and  
temporary pile bridge to  
right. Santa Fe bridge  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  
a mile downstream also  
washed out.

May 29-16

Clear

No 9-2 View looking south across Santa Margarita River show new temporary bridge replacing washed out bridge, on left A. T. & Santa Fe Ry and on right the state highway bridge. The Santa Fe bridge was a steel truss bridge, truss shown imbedded in river. Plate on this truss says same was built in 1897. The Highway bridge was a truss bridge on steel cylinders filled with concrete. The highway beyond the bridge was flooded to base of hill in center background.

No 9-3 Washed out permanent reinforced concrete bridge on State Highway five miles north of Oceanside. Drainage for which this bridge was built is for approx. 1 square mile. No water course is shown on the Government (U.S.) Geological Survey topographical map. The Santa Fe Ry. pile bridge immediately to the left was also washed out.



May 29-16

Clear

No 9-4 View taken from center of State Highway across Las Pulgas canyon creek north of Las Flores showing washed out State Highway Bridge. This was a truss bridge on steel cylinders filled with concrete. Note the two steel cylinders near I Beam at base of far bank. Another I Beam will be noted near far end of temporary bridge. Steel from this bridge is strewn downstream for considerable distance. Most of bank cut shown is new wash. The old channel bed being approx 25 feet higher than the present.

No 9-5 View of Santa Fe concrete arch bridge parallel to and 50 feet east of destroyed Highway bridge shown in No. 9-4. This picture taken from same point as No 9-4. Fill was washed out on either side of the arches, which has been replaced on right by new fill and on left by pile trestle. Note how apron and wing walls were undermined and washed away. This is Bridge No A-219. Former river bed was same level as floor of arch all below that new cut. Fill washing away on either side of arches indicate that this opening was too small to carry off the water.

May 29-16

Clear

No 9-6 View downstream on San Luis Rey River  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles below Bonsell, showing how river meandered and then sand deposited. Bank on right of picture is not bank wash but is large deposit of sand and top of this deposit is 17 feet above present level of water.

May 31-16

Clear

No 9-7 Wash #1 -  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles west of Rincon  
 " - 8 " # 2 - 100 ft " " # 1.  
 " - 9 " # 3 - 900 " " " # 2  
 " - 10 " # 13 - 3.8 miles " " Rincon  
 " - 12 " # 16 - 5 " " " "

From Rincon to Pala there are 73 washes on the North side of the San Luis Rey River of which the above pictures are typical. These washes are mostly new or greatly enlarged old washes and the drainage area is small the Mts. being from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles back from the river indicating a tremendous runoff. Most of the rock and boulders shown in the washes were washed down from the Mt. sides, the level land being quite free from rock. Trees from these hillsides, pine

May 31-16

clear

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were uprooted and passed  
down the washes and river  
many of them passing Cascaida  
and going into the Pacific Ocean.  
The Mountain slopes are covered  
with large slides, probably 75  
% of the slope area being  
scarred with large and  
small slides.

No 9-11 View downstream on  
San Luis Rey River 7 miles  
west of Rincon and at bottom  
of bluff from the top of which  
No E-3 was taken. The picture  
was taken from high water  
mark which is 32 feet above  
present level of water and high  
water mark can be seen on  
bank to right. Note debris  
and uprooted trees in river  
channel - also sand deposit

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May 31-16

clear

No 10-1 View of reconstructed  
bell tower at Pala Mission.

Inscription on bell states that  
bell was hung in 1816.

This year the rains so softened  
and weakened the foundations  
of this bell tower, the foundation  
being of adobe, that the tower  
collapsed.

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June 1-1916

clear

No 10-2 View showing slides on  
south side of Mountain at  
junction of Partero and  
Cottonwood creeks.

June 1-16

Clear

No 10-3 View of Imperial Valley Highway  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile above Junction of Portrero and Cottonwood Creeks. The highway formerly was on top of the bank as shown which is now cut 28 feet channel cut and sand deposit shown. The worst road traversed in this country on this work during the past month has been the Highway to Imperial Valley from about the west line of the Jannet Rancho to Campo, the condition of the road being due to wash outs and wash ins.

No 10-4 View of Campo creek at Campo. The creek as shown is in entire new channel. The Highway from San Diego to Campo used to pass and part of same was located where creek channel now is. The deepest part of the cut is 28 feet. The Blay on the left is the store at Campo.

<sup>101</sup>  
June 1-16

clear

No 10-5 View downstream on Cottonwood Creek in Cottonwood valley 2 miles below Buckman Springs and approx 6 miles from the source. The former channel was very small and all of the channel shown on the left of the uprooted tree in the center of the channel is new cut, the bank at the point of greatest cut is 14 feet deep.

June 7-16

clear

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No 10-6 View upstream on Cottonwood Creek at Buckman Springs - The old channel can be seen on the left of cottonwood trees, the new channel curves to the right and is 50 feet wide, its bed is 27 feet below the bed of the old channel.

June 2-16

Clear

No 10-7 View upstream on Cottonwood River  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile North of Buckman Springs. This picture was taken from the center of Country Highway which shows in the foreground and highway was located where channel now is, it may be seen on far side near live oak tree in background (right). The old channel was on the extreme left and the depth of the cut at the end of the Highway in the foreground is 23 feet.

June 3-16

Clear

No 10-8 View downstream on Vieja creek 2 miles east of Alpine taken from center of Highway (Alpine to Disclauso) showing where Highway was formerly located in the foreground. This picture was taken six miles from the source of the creek. The channel here was formerly but a small depression in the ground. The channel cut at end of Highway in foreground is 49 feet deep.

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June 3-1916

Clear

No 10-9 This picture taken  
from same point as No 10-8  
but looking up stream. Creek  
at this point makes a  
bend of about 90 degrees

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Railroads Washed Out, in Whole or part.

Santa Fe Fallbrook Branch,

practically all, followed drainage of Santa Margarita R.

San Luis Rey Sugar Beet Branch

all, followed drainage of San

Luis Rey River - Occasional to San

Luis Rey

Escondido Branch, very little

crossed drainage and was

on high ground

Main line - Does not follow

any but crosses all drainage

Bridges, tracks, fill etc washed

out at nearly all points

where drainage was crossed

San Diego & Southeastern Ry.

Santer to Lakeside, entire, followed drainage of San Diego River.

Lakeside to Foster, entire, followed drainage of San Vicente Creek

Sweetwater Valley Branch,

entire, followed drainage of

Sweetwater River - washed

out in many places after

leaving river bank.

Tia Juana Branch - 50 to

75% washed out along

drainage of Tia Juana River

San Diego & Arizona Ry. Did

not follow drainage but

crossed many, washed out

at points where drainage

was crossed

## Highways Abandoned

Lakeside to Padre Barona Valley	6 miles
Sycamore Canyon	15 "
Foster north W. of Mussiny Grade	5 "
Riverview to Foster	4 "
Alpine Mts to Descanso	18 "
Alpine over into N. Fork	9 "
Pine Valley to Laguna	15 "
Jarvis to Barrett via Lyons Peak	13 "
Viñas Valley to King & Louisa Cr	7 "
Rattlesnake Valley to Pine Valley	5 "

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June 2-16  
 Ex 21 clear

No F. & V. view on Cottonwood Creek  
 approx 2 miles north of Buck  
 man Springs showing new  
 channel cut, picture taken approx  
 3 miles from source of creek. This  
 picture was taken (triped set) on  
 former creek bed which shows in  
 foreground as covered with  
 weeds and vegetation, beyond  
 which can be seen the new  
 channel which was cut out.  
 In center of picture the bed of  
 new channel as cut down is  
 32 feet below former creek bed  
 and channel is here 110 feet wide

June 1-16  
Ext 19

clear

No. F-3. View showing land slides on east and south slopes of Mother Grundy Peak. The line shown along the side of the mountain is the city of San Diego water conduit down Cottonwood creek and these slides indicate to an extent how badly this conduit was washed out.

May 31-16

Hazy

No. F-4. View looking south across San Luis Rey Valley two miles above Bonsall showing area flooded by high water which extended from the base of the hill shown in foreground to beyond the white barn shown in left center background and to the base of the hill on edge of cultivated field to right of barn. Note channel cut and sand deposits in this field. This picture taken 1/2 mile below No. F-1.

No F-1 View on San Luis Rey River  
 2 1/4 miles above Bonsall, looking  
 south, showing flooded area, On  
 the right the river cut a channel  
 on both sides of the willow trees  
 and large deposits of sand were  
 left.

May 31-16

Hazy

No. E-4 View on San Luis Rey  
 River 1/4 mile above Pala. The  
 channel shown on right is river  
 channel, note how it cut down to  
 boulders gravel. The old channel  
 was on extreme left. Note bank  
 wash, on extreme right, uprooted  
 trees in river bed etc. An old trestle  
 bridge is in river bed to left of  
 this picture (not shown) which  
 was washed down river from  
 near Rainbow. This picture was  
 taken from mouth of wash  
 No 23.

May 31-16

Hazy

No. E-3 View upstream on San Luis Rey River approx 7 miles west of Rincon showing land overflowed and present and old channel of river. Note heavy deposit of sand after river bed was cut down and cut to boulders gravel, also uprooted trees and debris. This is a typical scene seen this river in all undeveloped sections from Rincon to the plains except that this area shown here flooded is not so extensive an account of contraction in the river. Area covered by trees on left was flooded and heavy sand deposit left over the land.

May 29-16

Clear

No. E-2 View of San Luis Rey River Valley approx 1/2 mile west of San Luis Rey Mission. Practically all of land in foreground covered with sand was formerly cultivated land. Note bank on extreme right showing how water cut out the land. Everything shown this side of trees as having been covered with water is a new channel cut. The old channel was beyond the trees and buildings shown in center. On the right (extreme) water covered land beyond the cut shown and up to base of hills approx 1/2 of a mile beyond cut and left heavy sand deposits. Many buildings were destroyed in center of picture.



shown in this picture was in a high state of cultivation, very little of which is now being worked. A branch of the Santa Fe Ry. crossed the flat in foreground but is now badly washed out from junction with main line across to far end of valley. The old channel was at base of hills on far left background.

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Cloudy

No. 1. View of San Luis Rey Valley looking east or upstream, picture taken one mile approx. east of Riverside. White buildings shown in right center foreground, beyond highway are San Luis Rey Mission. This picture shows how land was flooded and covered with sand. Note abandoned farm house and collapsed barn in left foreground. The large pumping plant of South Coast Land Co. was in center foreground and washed out. The highway shown on right was flooded and water extended beyond to foot of hills. In places on this highway sand deposits over three feet in depth were made. Practically all the valley land

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Cloudy

No. D-4 View of San Dieguito River  
taken from Inspiration Point directly  
by back of hotel at Del Mar.  
Entire valley land shown here  
was flooded at time of high  
water and sand deposit shows  
extent of high water. Note new  
channel cut through the sand.  
The highway extending up the  
south side (right) of this valley  
was completely washed out.  
This is a typical scene of all valley  
land on the San Dieguito River.  
Picture No B-4 was taken from  
the point shown protruding  
into river in center background.

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Cloudy

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No. D-3 View of Paledad Valley 3  
miles south of Del Mar. This  
picture was taken from top of bluff  
one half mile south of the summit  
of Torrey Pine Grade. This valley  
was flooded at time of high water  
the water extending up to the  
Highway shown on the east side  
or far side. The Santa Fe Ry  
grades and bridges shown down  
through the center of the valley  
was washed out. Note how  
valley bottom is covered with  
sand.

farm land, rejoining the river on extreme right where highway is shown. River bed throughout from Rincon to Cleanside is greatly widened, as here shown, and covered with heavy sand deposits, uprooted trees and debris. Picture No D-1 was taken from opposite bank and about 1 mile further downstream and shows in extreme right where water through above break re-entered river

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Clear

No. D-2 View on San Luis Rey River taken from north Bank directly across from Bonsall. The bridge shown is a new bridge and replaces old bridge which was washed out. This bridge is much longer than the old bridge. The river channel, as everywhere on the stream, is greatly widened and deepened. Note sand deposits all up and down the river and especially in foreground to right of bridge which shows height of water. The river broke through draw seen in background in line with north end of bridge and flows down back of hill on which trees are shown to right of far end of bridge and washed out a great deal of highly developed

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advance of the camera and  
was washed out but has been  
recently restored. The depth of  
cut of river channel at this  
point is 28 feet

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Clear - windy <sup>146</sup>

No. D-1 View from South Banks of  
San Luis Rey River one mile  
below Bonsall showing how  
river overflowed its channel and  
left large deposits of sand and debris.  
The old river channel here was  
bordered on both sides with heavy  
growth of trees most of which were  
uprooted and washed out. Note  
uprooted trees on edge of channel at  
base of standing trees in right  
center. The channel here was  
greatly widened and deepened and  
then built up to a great extent  
by sand deposit. The bank seen  
on opposite side is sand deposit  
dumped as water was receding  
and is over 6 feet high. The  
Highway (Escalante to Bonsall)  
was at the base of the hill in

No. C-4 View of Santa Ysabel River in Pano Valley. The river here greatly widened and deepened its old channel - Pano dam site is down gorge which river enters at extreme left. Across river channel as shown was formerly a ranch with heavy growth of oak trees, all top soil was washed out (see bank on opposite side) and most of trees, heavy sand deposit left throughout valley. The former channel was in present one but much smaller, present river bed cut down to gravel + boulders. Note high water mark by sand deposit on extreme right

May 22-16

clear

No C-3 View in San Diego River  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile above the Huray Bridge at Bernardo showing new channel and wash back up, on this side of trees, mentioned in notes concerning picture - No C-2 - all this land was badly cut and sand deposited.

Most of this land was formerly cultivated, the old channel was beyond the willow trees shown down center of picture

flood stage covered the highway where the automobile stands in center foreground. The trees shown in center of picture were formerly as thick as gravel shown in stream left but were mostly uprooted and washed out, many are shown as stranded in this picture.

May 22-16 Clear

No. 6-2 View on San Diegoito River  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles above Hwy bridge at Bernards. Fenton Ranch house seen on extreme right and lower end of San Pasqual Valley in extreme right background. This picture shows how land was flooded & covered with sand deposit and debris, trees uprooted etc. On extreme left water flooded and washed out fence lands back of trees and highway as far as the bridge at Bernards. This is the new channel shown in picture No. 7-10. The old river channel near at base of hills in background and can be seen in left. The river at

No C-1 View on Escudido creek  
 one half mile east of the A.T. &  
 Santa Fe Ry track - San Diego  
 to Los Angeles - The river formerly  
 only flowed in a small channel  
 on far side of valley, all bottom  
 land shown in picture was  
 flooded, badly scoured and  
 received heavy deposit of sand  
 and debris. High water mark  
 is shown by line of debris on  
 structure left. The highway,  
 in same location as one  
 shown, was washed out  
 the one shown was built  
 since the floods. Note debris  
 still clinging to top wire of  
 fence on right, high water  
 completely submerged this  
 fence

May 20-16

cloudy

No. B-4 View on San Diego River  
 at junction of La Jolla canyon  
 which is shown in center back-  
 ground - The river as shown  
 is not in its old channel  
 which was at far side at base  
 of hills. Note how valley was  
 inundated, badly cut and sand  
 deposited. This valley land  
 was all in a high state of  
 cultivation. From this point  
 to the ocean all bottom valley  
 land is in same condition  
 Note land slides on hills  
 all white snow is sand  
 deposit from 1 ft to 4 ft deep

No B-3 View of channel cut on east side of Pine Valley. This is but one of many channels cut through Pine Valley. This is an entire new channel and is from 100 to 300 feet wide and from 3 to 12 feet deep. This picture was taken where ford is made on old, now temporary, road from Deseronto to Campo

May 17-16

Clear

No B-2 Same view as No. B-3 but taken from a point higher up the hillside. Note washes coming into the large wash from both left and right. The old channel can be seen across top of land between the two washes on right center. The new Highway Deseronto to Campo is shown at base of hill in immediate foreground - Road shown on left on opposite side of wash is old road which is now used on account of new Highway being washed out in many places by washes such as shown



May 17-16 Et 20 clear

No. B-1 View of river washouts in Pine Valley just above point where Pine Creek leaves the valley and enters the canyon. The depth of cut in foreground is 31 feet. This picture was taken approx. four miles from the source of the creek. Pine Valley is cut and cross cut with channels of which this is typical.

May 13-16 Et 20 clear

No. A-4 View upstream in San Diego River approx. one mile west of mouth of canyon. Everything shown as covered with sand is new channel of river, the old channel being beyond the trees shown in center. This land was all in high state of cultivation but is now badly cut and today there is a flow of water in five different channels through this land. With the recession of the waters large deposits of sand were made, which has practically ruined the land. Several Bluffs were here washed out.

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May 13-16

clear

No A-2 View of San Diego River  
canyon showing north bank  
and portion of old mission aqueduct  
remaining and portion (to  
right, washed out. This aqueduct  
was intact throughout the canyon  
until the floods this year

No A-3 Same view as No A-2 but  
taken upstream approx 700 feet  
The water during flood stage  
was from 5 to 6 feet above  
the aqueduct as shown in  
these pictures which were  
taken approx 1/2 mile from  
mouth of canyon

Panorama Pictures

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No. A-1 View of Tia Juana River at  
Garcia, on San Diego & Arizona Ry.  
1/2 mile approx east of Tia Juana

The entire area shown in this  
picture as gravel is new channel  
The river cut out this new channel  
to a depth of 26 feet (back to left)  
The former channel was beyond  
the slight raise or bank shown  
in right center background. In  
right foreground in center of  
channel will be seen <sup>30 ft.</sup> steel girder  
with steel tower attached. This  
girder and tower are from the  
S. D. & A. Ry. bridge shown in picture  
No 6-9 and as here shown were  
washed downstream over two  
miles. In far center background  
can be seen junction of old and  
new channel

TANCES FROM CENTER OF ROADWAY FOR CROSS-SECTIONING

ROADWAY 14 FEET WIDE. SIDE SLOPES  $1\frac{1}{2}$  TO 1.

FOR SINGLE TRACK EMBANKMENT.

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7.00	7.15	7.30	7.45	7.60	7.75	7.90	8.05	8.20	8.35	0
8.50	8.65	8.80	8.95	9.10	9.25	9.40	9.55	9.70	9.85	1
10.00	10.15	10.30	10.45	10.60	10.75	10.90	11.05	11.20	11.35	2
11.50	11.65	11.80	11.95	12.10	12.25	12.40	12.55	12.70	12.85	3
13.00	13.15	13.30	13.45	13.60	13.75	13.90	14.05	14.20	14.35	4
14.50	14.65	14.80	14.95	15.10	15.25	15.40	15.55	15.70	15.85	5
16.00	16.15	16.30	16.45	16.60	16.75	16.90	17.05	17.20	17.35	6
17.50	17.65	17.80	17.95	18.10	18.25	18.40	18.55	18.70	18.85	7
19.00	19.15	19.30	19.45	19.60	19.75	19.90	20.05	20.20	20.35	8
20.50	20.65	20.80	20.95	21.10	21.25	21.40	21.55	21.70	21.85	9
22.00	22.15	22.30	22.45	22.60	22.75	22.90	23.05	23.20	23.35	10
23.50	23.65	23.80	23.95	24.10	24.25	24.40	24.55	24.70	24.85	11
25.00	25.15	25.30	25.45	25.60	25.75	25.90	26.05	26.20	26.35	12
26.50	26.65	26.80	26.95	27.10	27.25	27.40	27.55	27.70	27.85	13
28.00	28.15	28.30	28.45	28.60	28.75	28.90	29.05	29.20	29.35	14
29.50	29.65	29.80	29.95	30.10	30.25	30.40	30.55	30.70	30.85	15
31.00	31.15	31.30	31.45	31.60	31.75	31.90	32.05	32.20	32.35	16
32.50	32.65	32.80	32.95	33.10	33.25	33.40	33.55	33.70	33.85	17
34.00	34.15	34.30	34.45	34.60	34.75	34.90	35.05	35.20	35.35	18
35.50	35.65	35.80	35.95	36.10	36.25	36.40	36.55	36.70	36.85	19
37.00	37.15	37.30	37.45	37.60	37.75	37.90	38.05	38.20	38.35	20
38.50	38.65	38.80	38.95	39.10	39.25	39.40	39.55	39.70	39.85	21
40.00	40.15	40.30	40.45	40.60	40.75	40.90	41.05	41.20	41.35	22
41.50	41.65	41.80	41.95	42.10	42.25	42.40	42.55	42.70	42.85	23
43.00	43.15	43.30	43.45	43.60	43.75	43.90	44.05	44.20	44.35	24
44.50	44.65	44.80	44.95	45.10	45.25	45.40	45.55	45.70	45.85	25
46.00	46.15	46.30	46.45	46.60	46.75	46.90	47.05	47.20	47.35	26
47.50	47.65	47.80	47.95	48.10	48.25	48.40	48.55	48.70	48.85	27
49.00	49.15	49.30	49.45	49.60	49.75	49.90	50.05	50.20	50.35	28
50.50	50.65	50.80	50.95	51.10	51.25	51.40	51.55	51.70	51.85	29
52.00	52.15	52.30	52.45	52.60	52.75	52.90	53.05	53.20	53.35	30
53.50	53.65	53.80	53.95	54.10	54.25	54.40	54.55	54.70	54.85	31
55.00	55.15	55.30	55.45	55.60	55.75	55.90	56.05	56.20	56.35	32
56.50	56.65	56.80	56.95	57.10	57.25	57.40	57.55	57.70	57.85	33
58.00	58.15	58.30	58.45	58.60	58.75	58.90	59.05	59.20	59.35	34
59.50	59.65	59.80	59.95	60.10	60.25	60.40	60.55	60.70	60.85	35
61.00	61.15	61.30	61.45	61.60	61.75	61.90	62.05	62.20	62.35	36
62.50	62.65	62.80	62.95	63.10	63.25	63.40	63.55	63.70	63.85	37
64.00	64.15	64.30	64.45	64.60	64.75	64.90	65.05	65.20	65.35	38
65.50	65.65	65.80	65.95	66.10	66.25	66.40	66.55	66.70	66.85	39
67.00	67.15	67.30	67.45	67.60	67.75	67.90	68.05	68.20	68.35	40

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DISTANCES FROM CENTER OF ROADWAY FOR CROSS-SECTIONING

ROADWAY 16 FEET WIDE. SIDE SLOPES 1½ TO 1.  
FOR SINGLE TRACK EMBANKMENT.

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1	9.5	9.7	9.8	10.0	10.1	10.3	10.4	10.6	10.7	10.9
2	11.0	11.2	11.3	11.5	11.6	11.8	11.9	12.1	12.2	12.4
3	12.5	12.7	12.8	13.0	13.1	13.3	13.4	13.6	13.7	13.9
4	14.0	14.2	14.3	14.5	14.6	14.8	14.9	15.1	15.2	15.4
5	15.5	15.7	15.8	16.0	16.1	16.3	16.4	16.6	16.7	16.9
6	17.0	17.2	17.3	17.5	17.6	17.8	17.9	18.1	18.2	18.4
7	18.5	18.7	18.8	19.0	19.1	19.3	19.4	19.6	19.7	19.9
8	20.0	20.2	20.3	20.5	20.6	20.8	20.9	21.1	21.2	21.4
9	21.5	21.7	21.8	22.0	22.1	22.3	22.4	22.6	22.7	22.9
10	23.0	23.2	23.3	23.5	23.6	23.8	23.9	24.1	24.2	24.4
11	24.5	24.7	24.8	25.0	25.1	25.3	25.4	25.6	25.7	25.9
12	26.0	26.2	26.3	26.5	26.6	26.8	26.9	27.1	27.2	27.4
13	27.5	27.7	27.8	28.0	28.1	28.3	28.4	28.6	28.7	28.9
14	29.0	29.2	29.3	29.5	29.6	29.8	29.9	30.1	30.2	30.4
15	30.5	30.7	30.8	31.0	31.1	31.3	31.4	31.6	31.7	31.9
16	32.0	32.2	32.3	32.5	32.6	32.8	32.9	33.1	33.2	33.4
17	33.5	33.7	33.8	34.0	34.1	34.3	34.4	34.6	34.7	34.9
18	35.0	35.2	35.3	35.5	35.6	35.8	35.9	36.1	36.2	36.4
19	36.5	36.7	36.8	37.0	37.1	37.3	37.4	37.6	37.7	37.9
20	38.0	38.2	38.3	38.5	38.6	38.8	38.9	39.1	39.2	39.4
21	39.5	39.7	39.8	40.0	40.1	40.3	40.4	40.6	40.7	40.9
22	41.0	41.2	41.3	41.5	41.6	41.8	41.9	42.1	42.2	42.4
23	42.5	42.7	42.8	43.0	43.1	43.3	43.4	43.6	43.7	43.9
24	44.0	44.2	44.3	44.5	44.6	44.8	44.9	45.1	45.2	45.4
25	45.5	45.7	45.8	46.0	46.1	46.3	46.4	46.6	46.7	46.9
26	47.0	47.2	47.3	47.5	47.6	47.8	47.9	48.1	48.2	48.4
27	48.5	48.7	48.8	49.0	49.1	49.3	49.4	49.6	49.7	49.9
28	50.0	50.2	50.3	50.5	50.6	50.8	50.9	51.1	51.2	51.4
29	51.5	51.7	51.8	52.0	52.1	52.3	52.4	52.6	52.7	52.9
30	53.0	53.2	53.3	53.5	53.6	53.8	53.9	54.1	54.2	54.4
31	54.5	54.7	54.8	55.0	55.1	55.3	55.4	55.6	55.7	55.9
32	56.0	56.2	56.3	56.5	56.6	56.8	56.9	57.1	57.2	57.4
33	57.5	57.7	57.8	58.0	58.1	58.3	58.4	58.6	58.7	58.9
34	59.0	59.2	59.3	59.5	59.6	59.8	59.9	60.1	60.2	60.4
35	60.5	60.7	60.8	61.0	61.1	61.3	61.4	61.6	61.7	61.9
36	62.0	62.2	62.3	62.5	62.6	62.8	62.9	63.1	63.2	63.4
37	63.5	63.7	63.8	64.0	64.1	64.3	64.4	64.6	64.7	64.9
38	65.0	65.2	65.3	65.5	65.6	65.8	65.9	66.1	66.2	66.4
39	66.5	66.7	66.8	67.0	67.1	67.3	67.4	67.6	67.7	67.9
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