

2

May 28, 1918.

Hon. C. H. Alters,
Phoenix, Arizona.

My dear Charley:

I am just in receipt of your letter of May 21 relative to the Grand Canyon National Park, and beg to enclose herewith a copy of a bill that has passed the Senate with that object in view. The only opposition to this legislation comes from certain gentlemen who have favored the establishment of a State Park on the rim of the Grand Canyon. I thought that the best way to deal with this opposition was to have some action taken by our Legislature, and I therefore wrote a letter to the Governor, of which I enclose a copy, requesting him to bring this subject to the attention of the Legislature. Unfortunately, my letter did not reach the Governor until after he had issued his call for the present special session, but I do not see how that would prevent the Legislature from passing a memorial on the subject if a State Park is really desired.

I was with Hugh Campbell when he was in Washington, and I have had a letter from Hon. T. E. Cureton of Coconino County. Both of them are of the opinion that there is no necessity for a State Park. I have also written to Hon. Moeur, State Land Commissioner, who advises

the State Land Commissioner, but have not received a reply from him as yet. I am sure that Mr. Moour will be glad to show you the map and other data which I sent him.

I shall be greatly obliged if you will make some inquiry, in a quiet way, among the Members of the Legislature, and then let me know what they think about the passage of a Grand Canyon National Park Bill. During the last session of the Legislature, I had a telegram signed by Hon. A. A. Johns, J. W. Sullivan, and Jessie Boyce, asking that action be delayed on a bill that I had introduced to establish a National Park at the Grand Canyon, so that it might be well for you to interview these gentlemen.

With best wishes, I am,

Yours as ever,