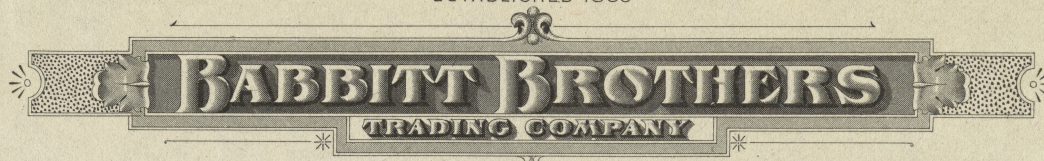


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Flagstaff, Arizona.
April 8th, 1925 .

My dear Carl:

We are enclosing a map showing the present boundary of the Grand Canyon National Park. As you will note from the legend the blue pencil line indicates what is now within the boundary, a light red line what has been proposed as the new boundary and the heavy red indicates additional area which we understand is desired by the National Park people. We have no idea as to just who is instrumental in suggesting this added area but from the stockmen's interest we certainly object to the incorporating of the upper and lower basin of the Grand Canyon within the present park boundaries. Our objection is based upon the fact that the C. O. Bar Livestock Company, owned by the Babbitts', have at the present time a permit for 1200 head of cattle that are ranging in that immediate vicinity, and for five months of the year in order to make the permit of any value whatever the cattle have been permitted the use of the upper and lower basin as a drift in the winter time. Not only are we interested in this but other stockmen of this section as well. We have just recently learned of the proposed move and we believe before any definite action is taken the stock interests should be heard from on the subject.

We are taking the liberty of bringing the matter to your attention, hoping that your influence might be used in at least delaying action until a meeting of those interested can be arranged with the proper officials, for we are sure that the Government would not intentionally make any move in this direction that would materially injure the stockmen as it would in this particular instance.

Yours very truly,

BABBITT BROTHERS TRADING COMPANY,

P. J. Moran, Mgr.

Hon. Carl Hayden,
Phoenix, Arizona.