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Mrs. W. S. Jennings
1845 Main Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mrs. Jennings:

This replies to your letter of July 3rd. There is but one stenographer in the office of the Commission; two others are specially trained to assist Mr. Meyer in the preparation of abstract records, and, of course, you know that the records we are compiling call for much expertly prepared material. I have occasion to believe that the Governor is now fully aware of the importance of this abstract work and the necessity of its being done by those familiar with it.

The Governor will hardly decide what he is going to do until he is familiar with the whole matter. When he becomes familiar with it, there is reason for him to realize that a vast amount of all important work has been accomplished at a small fraction of what it would cost had the information contained been obtained in the open market.

I personally have great confidence in Governor Cone, and while he may not have been so situated as to have as wide an appreciation of national parks as some of us, he undoubtedly will make this subject a special study. The more he becomes acquainted with this subject and more clearly visualizes its importance, and the national parks as opportunities for the development of the higher ranges of thought and study and their positive economic value, then their importance will become more and more apparent to him.

As previously stated to you, Mr. Meyer is not a W.P.A. man.

I have been advised that our resignations take effect when the Governor accepts them.

Sincerely yours,

EFC/kj

Ernest F. Coe, Executive Chairman
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