Jacksonville, Florida, 1845 Main St., June 5, 1936.

Senator Scott M. Loftin, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

My dear Senator Loftin:

First I want to congratulate you and the State on your appointment as Senator for Florida. Governor Sholtz certainly pleased your very many friends.

About two years ago Mr. J. Mark Wilcox introduced a bill in congress to make the site of Old Fort Caroline, St. Johns Bluff, a National Monument. This bill carries an appropriation of \$61, 125.40 which is the actual amount paid the government for the 118 acres by the late Senator Arthur T. Williams. No taxes or interest since have been charged.

As you know, this is one of our outstanding historical spots in the United States. The settlement here antedates Plymouth Rock by 55 years and St. Augustine a whole year. It should be a national shrine. I have written to Mr. Green and Mr. Sears that I felt the passage of this bill might effect their re-election and urged them to do everything possible to their re-election and urged them to do everything possible to get the bill thru. Am also writing Mr. Wilcox, who presented the bill, when this was his territory, urging his help. Senator Fletcher has already said he would do everything possible. I feel there will be no trouble if it could be gotten thru the House. This National Monument is sponsored by the Duval County Highway Beautification Association.

Mr.J. Mark Wilcox also introduced an amendment to the law creating the Everglades National Park which would eliminate the clause which prohibits the expenditure of Federal funds on the area for five years. This prevents our even having C.C.C.Camps work in the area and there are many roads that could be worked on to open up the area. Senator Fletcher succeeded in getting on to open up the Senate several times, but the trouble is with this passed in the Senate several times, but the trouble is with the House. I have also written to Mr.Peterson, Mr.Creen, Mr.Sears, Mr.Caldwell and Mr.Wilcox in regard to Everglades National Park Amendment. Will you not do everything possible to help get these two pieces of legislation thru?

With kindest regards and assurance of cooperation,

Sincerely,

Mrs.W.S.Jennings

President, Duval County Highway Beautification Asso. Member, Everglades National Park Commission.

CC: Senator Fletcher, Ernest F.Coe, Hon. John Shears, Hon. T. M. Pancoast,