

Leon Hotel,  
Tallahassee, Fla.,  
April 6, 1917.

Mr. J. M. Willson, Jr.,  
Kissimmee, Fla.

Dear Mr. Willson:

In the House the Seminole bill is No. 32. The Indian  
Committee is composed as follows:

W. G. Tilghman, Chairman, Putnam Co.  
N. C. Bryan, Osceola Co.  
W. H. Marshall, Broward Co.  
J. W. Watson, Dade Co.  
F. L. Woodruff, Seminole Co.  
Amos E. Lewis, Jackson Co.  
J. M. Swain, St. Lucie Co.

Four of the above were suggested by us to Speaker Hardee.

In the Senate, the bill is No. 19. It was referred to  
Judiciary A Committee, whose members are--

Charles E. Davis, 10th District, Chairman,  
Doyle E. Carlton, 11th District,  
J. M. Gornto, 12th District,  
W. A. MacWilliams, 31st District,  
Glenn Terrell, 20th District,  
W. S. Middleton, 26th District,  
A. S. Wells, 8th District.

No time has yet been set for a hearing by either Committee,  
but if you can get people in the various Counties or districts to write  
to any of the men on those Committees, by all means do so. We will  
do all we can at this end of the line. Things are apt to be quiet  
for a little while, according to the present outlook.

It is barely possible that I may have to run up to Philadel-  
phia this month, to wind up some important matters that cannot be put  
through unless I am there;--one of them involving my personal appear-  
ance before the Recorder of Deeds in connection with our incorporation.  
In that event, I will let you know, and I hope that some one of the  
Kissimmee friends can come up here to help keep matters going. As

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you probably know, Captain Spencer's activities are limited by his orders from the Indian Office. He cannot take the initiative, but when the subject is opened he is free to give as much information as may be desired, and it therefore needs some one to be with him to protect the Federal Government from the charge of trying to influence State legislation. It is my idea, if I do go to Philadelphia (which is quite probable) to return here as soon as I can. I therefore hope you will make arrangements to have some one on hand as indicated, if I send you word that I am called home. Please let me hear from you on this point.

With kind regards to all, in which Capt. Spencer joins me,  
I am,

Sincerely yours,

*M. K. Sniffen*