

Coronado Beach Fla 10-23-29



My Dear Mr Willson:-

Your good letter rec^d several days ago which I carefully read & reread with much pleasure.

In reply to your inquiry about the Indian reservation south of Okochoben, in SP 48 Pg 34. I was at Ft Shackelford in said Tp in 1889. I think it was and also in adjoining Tp west as far west as the Episcopal Mission house. If my memory is not at fault there is scattered over Ft Shackelford Tp considerable high land or rather land high enough for cultivation, how much I could not say. The Tp is principally prairie with cabbage woods in the S.W. portion if I remember correctly, but remember I was hunting for cypress timber and paid but little attention to other tracts. The prairie however seemed high enough for cultivation in many places espe-

ely in the vicinity of Sam Jones Old
town in the north part of the JP
This reservation I would consider a
far more preferable place for the
Indians than the larger tract, and
I would say a far better cattle range
and I believe if the entire tract was
fenced in so cattle could be kept
on it and the Indians could be
induced to go on it and each family
given a few head of cows to start
with they could make a living by
cropping the land, necessarily in a
small way at first, but they could grad-
ually spread out as the cattle increase
They would of course have to have some
means of fencing their crops. One of
these cheap sawmill outfits run by
a Ford motor as is being used these
days would not only saw fencing but
would saw lumber for houses. Now the
above seems a solution, to me, of
the timber but I don't know if it is prac-
table or not, I don't think however

-that it would unless there could be found some one to supervise and direct matters for a year or two until they could get fairly started. Is there any one among them that could do this?

As to the larger tract I only form my opinion from the country surrounding it. To get an intelligent knowledge of the tract one would have to spend many days tramping over in a dry time I think a portion of it will be off limits by the tides, I venture the assertion, however, that not as much as five acres of high land can be found on it in one tract. The Ft Shackelford tract I expect is accessible in a dry time, by auto, and with Tom Millman of Inverness as a guide it would not take long to investigate it, provided Millman is still living.

What became of the Indian
than Henry raised?

Now as to the main question ~~present~~ present
Campaign. I don't agree with you that
~~present~~ "Liquor question is the main
one at stake, & the the Negro question
paramount to all others. Don't think
once that I am presuming to advise
or influence you in any way as I
am only trying to show you that I
have ample reasons for taking the
stand that I have. As to the kindness
of reading a clipping, an Editorial in
the Atlantic Journal and see if you
think I am not justified in this stand.
Hoover is right in line with this
man type, and has taken time by the
forelock" and has taken advantage of his
official position and forced white women
to work along by the side of Negroes
that his predecessor had segregated.

I am enclosing the clipping with
the journal which contains a letter
from Mr. Pinchot which I think
fully answers your objections
to Mr. Smith. Hoover sat in Council

with Cooney & Cabinet for many years
Did he or any of the bunch make
any effort to enforce the liquor laws?

Wilson was a "wet" but since the
Hoober crowd came in office the
liquor traffic has grown year by year
until now prohibition is a farce, a joke
and a woeful failure.

He also should have known something
of the crowdedness that was being
practiced by Fall, a cabinet officer, and
others but he kept mum, and
it was left to an outsider, a democrat
to expose their baseality.

I earnestly hope there are enough loyal
democrats to save our state, but with
the republicans, the negroes and fanatic
white men and the few who have
repudiated the party I fear it is going
to be close. I hope Mr Wilson,
who I presume is with you etc

...I cannot think Mr. ...
...in my opinion is just what ...
...about the negro commissioner in ...
...it is a careful reading before you destroy it, especially that

...but do hope that ...
...in ...
...with a printed matter which

...with a new edition published ...
...time in my life, to vote the republican ticket, that I considered

...thought, and for the good of my country, I was ...
...that I had given the question ...
...was going to vote as to ...

...in my life, I had ...
...for the ...
...of her book printed, which will be out I suppose, about Dec. let

...Mrs. Wilson to home, and she has ordered another edition

...son of Wiley Comperforte, now dead.

...There is also an ...
...and ...
...Standard ...

...That might interest you

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