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Editor's Note

This "issue" will be my last one as editor of this newsletter. I've been writing, editing and publishing NPS-related internal publications now for 38 years – *Ranger Magazine*, the Morning Report, *Thin Green Line* (IRF), InsideNPS and this newsletter. It's been an honor and genuine pleasure to have been given the privilege of communicating with all of you for so many years. You are at the head of the list when it comes to passionate and dedicated federal employees.

Horace Albright had this to say about NPS employees in his farewell message in 1933 – a sentiment that I embrace wholeheartedly: "We have the spirit of fighters, not as a destructive force, but as a power for good. With this spirit, each of us is an integral part of the preservation of the magnificent heritage we have been given, so that centuries from now people of our world, or perhaps of other worlds, may see and understand what is unique to our earth, never changing, eternal." That spirit remains alive in this organization.

The Coalition is committed to keeping this newsletter going, though, albeit in a format that has yet to be worked out. There will therefore be a hiatus in publication.

In the interim, you can get updates on the NPS from several sources:

- Retiree Rick Smith has a clipping service wherein he culls and transmits articles on the Service. He can be reached at rsmith0921@comcast.net. He warns you, though, that the volume of outgoing articles is high, so you'll be getting a lot of mail.
- A good online source is Google News. Go there and in the search bar just type in National Park Service.
- The Service has a webpage where most agency public affairs press releases are posted. The link is News Releases (U.S. National Park Service) (nps.gov)

Thanks to all of you for supporting this newsletter, the Coalition and the National Park Service and National Park System.

Godspeed.

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