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FORT PIERCE, ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, 1906.

\$1.00 A YEAR

MONTHLY MEETING

Routine Business Before Board of County Commissioners

MANY ROAD PETITIONS

No Quorum Was Present at the Special Meeting August 4th—Attorneys Appointed to Represent the Board.

County Commissioners met in Fort Pierce on August 4th in accordance with resolution passed at last regular meeting, for the purpose of restoring any names erroneously stricken from registration list. Present, W. R. Hardee, chairman, and J. F. Bell, with J. E. Fultz, clerk. No quorum being present, Board adjourned to 6th August, 1906 at 8 a. m. Said meeting on Monday, August 6th being an adjourned meeting from this meeting.

Board met August 6th, 1906 at 8 a. m. as per adjournment August 4th 1906. Present, W. R. Hardee, chairman, P. Kroegel, K. B. Raulerson, J. F. Bell and R. W. Lennard, sheriff and J. E. Fultz, clerk.

Applications were made by A. J. Arnold, S. Keen and B. W. Miller and after consideration it was determined by the Board that they were legally stricken and not entitled to restoration by the board.

Application of J. J. Padgett, district No. 5, for restoration was considered by the Board and on motion his name was restored to the registration list.

On motion Board adjourned.

County commissioners met in regular session on August 6th 1906 at 11:30 a. m. all present.

Minutes of last regular meeting were read and approved as corrected.

On motion F. M. Hudson is instructed not to defend any further in case of St. Lucie Club vs County commissioners and Tax collector.

On motion Ed Cotton, convict, is leased to E. G. Gustafsen from July 31, 1906 until further order of the Board, at 50 cents per day, time lost by rain not counted.

On motion road committee report of C. W. Jandreau, Frank Ayer and Walter Bobo was received and if no further objection is filed; will be declared a public road at next regular session.

On motion L. T. Sutton is placed on the pauper list at \$5.00 per month.

On motion Notary Public bond of Otis R. Parker is approved.

On motion, bond of A. J. Potter to carry a Winchester rifle was approved.

Board adjourned to 8:30 a. m. Tuesday.

Board convened August 7th, 1907 all present.

Cattle Inspectors reports of T. D. Summerlin and D. L. Alderman received and filed.

Road petition of W. E. Geoffrey, J. T. Gray et al for public road to the river at the south end of the side track in half section 26, township 32 S, range 26 E, to Indian river received and on motion J. D. Adkins, W. M. Brown and A. O. Espy are appointed a committee to view survey and mark out said road and report to the Board at their next regular meeting.

Proposition of B. F. Hardesty to install a lighting plant for purposes of lighting jail and clerk's office received but as it is not advisable to enter into this expense at this time, said proposal is filed for future consideration.

On motion, in the matter of necessary tickets, blanks, instructions etc., in connection with holding the wet and dry election, the ST. LUCIE COUNTY TRIBUNE is authorized to print such necessary material as per such list furnished.

Report of John H. Wynn, treasurer, received, paid warrants cancelled, and cashier's certificate attached showing correct balance in Bank of Fort Pierce as per said report.

On motion, Commissioner Raulerson is authorized to have roof of clerk's office painted.

On motion the following resolution was adopted: Whereas, a second suit has been filed asking for an injunction restraining the erection of the new jail and the issuance and payment of warrants in payment for said jail, in which

A COMPLETE LANDSLIDE

St. Lucie County Goes Into Prohibition Column by Large Majority. Fort Pierce Jubilant Over Result.

R. R. Rieun and others are complainants and W. R. Hardee as county commissioner and others are defendants, therefore be it.

Resolved, That the law firm of Hemmings & Andrews and F. M. Hudson are hereby employed to represent the Board of County Commissioners in said suit and their acts and doings in this matter already performed are hereby satisfied and confirmed.

Resolved, Further, that bills contracted by the chairman of the Board on behalf of said Board of county commissioners in obtaining affidavits and statement of financial condition of county for use in said suit be paid by (continued on page 8)

Drug Store Changes Hands.

A business change is announced this week, whereby the Fort Pierce Drug Company changed hands. Marion M. Hendrix, who for more than two years has owned and managed the store, has sold his entire interest in the business to his brother and sister, Percy H. Hendrix, of Jensen, and Miss Hattie Hendrix, of Plant City, who will conduct the business in the future.

Both Mr. and Miss Hendrix are well known to our people and are sure of a hearty welcome to Fort Pierce.

Marion M. Hendrix, better known as "Doc," will no doubt take a vacation in the mountains of West Virginia, but says he will be back in this section soon to see old friends and get back into business on a larger scale.

Death of Mrs. Schuyler.

Sad news comes to us from Malabar of the death of Mrs. Schuyler, wife of G. W. Schuyler, of that place, on Sunday last. Mrs. Schuyler had been an invalid for several years, and for some time before her death was helplessly bedridden.

Mrs. Schuyler was among the pioneer settlers of the Indian River country, and known and loved by many friends. She leaves her husband and two daughters, Mrs. J. E. Bettler, of Rockledge, and Mrs. P. E. Kilts, of Ocala, N. Y., and son, Chas. S. Schuyler, of Jensen.

The remains were interred in Malabar cemetery.

The yacht Jupiter cruised down as far as Fort Pierce Sunday, and was anchored off the city docks for several days.

BIG IMPROVEMENTS ALMOST IN SIGHT

At a meeting of the board of trade yesterday afternoon, a committee of five was appointed to act in conjunction with Mayor Fise and the city council, with Mayor Fise and the city council, for a conference with Vice-President J. R. Parrott in regard to the additional East-Coast railway for side tracks, shops and new depot. The committee is composed of W. J. Tucker, L. L. Carlton, W. E. Tylander, T. J. O'Brien and A. C. Dittmar.

A statement was drawn and signed by the property owners agreeing to sell the land for that purpose at a low figure, and the secretary was instructed to communicate by wire with A. M. Sampson in regard to his land in that section.

The proposition is to move the freight depot south and build more tracks and more shop room; also to build a new and modern passenger station and more room was wanted at the present site. Messrs. Tucker and Carlton agreed to move their buildings back from the street and allow this additional space.

Mr. Parrott is expected here this afternoon, when the delegation will submit the property owners' agreement to him and something definite will no doubt be known.

W. T. Jones, of Wabasso, and T. W. Jeffers, of Vero, made a pilgrimage to the county seat Tuesday, bringing with them the ballot boxes of their respective precincts.

Tuesday was a great day in Fort Pierce and St. Lucie county, and undoubtedly Tuesday night was the greatest in the history of Fort Pierce. When St. Lucie county was created it gladdened the hearts of the people and they had a great celebration, but it was as nothing compared to the impromptu and spontaneous jubilee which followed the announcement that Fort Pierce had gone dry by 111 to 76.

Hardly had the last vote been counted when a shout, such as only happy people can give, rent the air and it spread from one end of the town to the other. Church bells were rung, factory and locomotive whistles were blown, and hundreds of voices kept up the roar.

The first good news to come was the announcement that Jensen had stood by the right and turned out a handsome majority for prohibition. A telephone message gave the figures 16 for selling and 52 against. No demonstration was apparent, for everybody was anxiously waiting the announcement of the result of the Fort Pierce count. Both sides were claiming a victory and the saloon representatives were jubilant. A large crowd, nearly half of whom were ladies, had gathered in front of the polling place to hear the result as soon as possible.

A telegram from Sebastian gave the glad tidings that only 3 were for the saloons and 41 against. This was even

after another serenade, that gentleman expressed his gratification over the result and his appreciation of the serenade. More cheering was indulged in and the ranks broken.

THE TRIBUNE began receiving returns about 6:30 Tuesday evening. Jensen was the first to respond with the figures above given. Sebastian came second with 41 dry and 3 wet. This proved to be the banner precinct of the county, and gave about 93 per cent dry. Quay, Wabasso, White City, Ankona, Viking followed, with dry majorities in each instance, while Vero divided even at 9. This gave the dry side a majority of 139, with three precincts to hear from, and not a single precinct had given a wet majority.

The election in Fort Pierce passed off quietly and no trouble occurred at any time throughout the day. Not a drop of whiskey, which has been a factor in other elections, was seen at any time. Both sides worked hard to poll all the votes possible, and in front of the polls was a busy place all day.

The ladies of Fort Pierce showed their patriotism and interest in the cause by being early at the club building, arranging for a big free dinner to be served to the voters. About thirty ladies were present, and when preparations were finished in the rear of the building they took charge of the territory in front of the building near the entrance to the polling place, and no doubt caused many dry votes that otherwise would have been wet. It required an unlimited amount of nerve for a voter to pass through the crowd and vote a wet ticket, then face a pressing invitation to go to the dining room and have dinner. About 10:30 they began serving, and it was a continuous rush till about 2 o'clock. At least 200 dinners were served. A good dinner it was, and quicker service we never saw. Even the wet workers were forced to admit the ladies presence and dinner had an influence against them, while they disapproved strongly of them being present.

The saloon men take their defeat philosophically and recognize the supremacy of the ballot box. They are all men capable of making a success in other lines of business, and we hope soon to see the buildings now used for saloons transformed into business houses of a character that cannot be voted out of the county.

BIG JUBILEE AND BAND RECEPTION

A grand jubilee meeting will be held in the Improvement Club hall this evening under the auspices of the ladies of Fort Pierce. The prime object of the meeting is to celebrate the victory won at the polls on Tuesday, and in connection with it a reception will be given the Fort Pierce band, in recognition of the good work done by that organization during the campaign.

This is an organization of which the business men and citizens of Fort Pierce should be proud. Undoubtedly it was a big factor in the campaign and helped swell the majority against the saloons. For more than two weeks, almost every night, the band in full uniform has furnished music for prohibition meeting in Fort Pierce, Jensen, and White City, having attended no less than eleven meetings in the last two weeks of the campaign. There is no doubt that the music helped swell the crowds and by the presence of the band the attendance was larger than it would otherwise have been. The time and talents of its members were given freely in the cause and the citizens of St. Lucie county will honor them tonight.

Every citizen of St. Lucie county is invited to be present and help in the celebration of the victory.

G. W. Drawdy, Sr., of Fort Drum, is in town for a few days.

| PRECINCTS | For Selling | Against Selling | Dry | Majority |
|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-----|----------|
| Sebastian | 3 | 41 | 38 | |
| Fort Pierce | 76 | 111 | 35 | |
| Ankona | 11 | 21 | 10 | |
| Jensen | 16 | 52 | 36 | |
| Fort Drum | 6 | 20 | 14 | |
| Tantie | 23 | 4 | 19 | |
| Wabasso | 3 | 4 | 1 | |
| Quay | 6 | 9 | 3 | |
| Narrows | 8 | 9 | 1 | |
| White City | 15 | 35 | 20 | |
| Vero | 9 | 9 | | |
| Viking | 6 | 9 | 3 | |
| Total | 182 | 313 | 131 | |

better than was expected, and another pleasant surprise was sprung when it was announced that Quay, where the saloon men confidently expected a majority, had gone dry by 3. This gave 77 majority against selling in the first three precincts heard from, and the cheering began in a mild way. Hardly had these figures settled in the minds of the waiting crowd when a Tribune representative dashed out of the polling place with figures showing 35 majority in Fort Pierce for prohibition.

The first announcement set the crowd wild and such a cheer as went up was never heard in Fort Pierce before. For the next half hour pandemonium reigned—every steam whistle was pulled wide open bells were rung and every available instrument of noise was brought into use. As the minutes passed reinforcements came from every section of town and the din increased, filling the streets with men, women and children—yelling, laughing and cheering.

The band, which has done such faithful and efficient work during the campaign, was hurriedly called together at the band stand where the throng congregated. Three rousing cheers were given for the band, and the music was interspersed with cheers that woke the old town. After the concert on the stand a line of march was formed and headed by the band with torchlights, and marched up Palmetto avenue. One they marched up Palmetto avenue. One stop was made to play a funeral dirge for the saloons and their agencies. THE TRIBUNE office was next visited and three cheers by two hundred voices and a serenade by the band were given. The line was formed again and the march was resumed to the home of Rev. T. W. Tompkins, president of the Anti-Saloon League, on Pine street, where,

SEALED BIDS ASKED FOR

School Board Calls for Bids For Transporting Pupils.

OVERSTREET PRINCIPAL

Appointed for Fort Pierce School.—Other Appointments Made.—School Will be Opened September 17.

School board met at office of superintendent. Present, W. J. Nesbitt, chairman, B. F. Hardesty and J. M. Orrel of the board and C. P. Platts, secretary and superintendent.

The minutes of the last meeting read and adopted.

The committee on Bethel Creek school reported the house as finished and furnished.

The superintendent reported that the school had started with D. L. Sheffield as teacher.

Superintendent reported the condition of the school lot at Jensen, and after discussion it was decided to have the sand graded back where it is and not try to put on any shell at present, owing to the difficulty of getting the shell handled at this time.

It was moved, supported and carried that the paragraph in "Rules and Regulations," referring to aid to isolated pupils, be amended to read as follows:

"In all cases the pro-rata can only be claimed by attending the entire term of the school in the district of which the applicant is either a patron or pupil. If the attendance during such term of such applicant be less than 80 full days, then the claim shall be scaled. Provided that where a teacher has been employed under the second rule above, a warrant will be issued monthly as in regularly organized schools."

S. J. Overstreet, of Sylvania, Ga. was assigned the position of principal of the Fort Pierce school for the ensuing year.

It was decided that the school at Wabasso be opened the first Monday in September, that at Fort Pierce on September 17th, that at Jensen on the same date as Fort Pierce.

Other dates will be announced later.

A letter from the Supervisor of the Oslo school was received and read in which it was represented that there were pupils enough in the neighborhood to carry on a school and requesting a teacher for the ensuing year. The Board instructed the Superintendent to procure a teacher for this school as soon as possible.

The Superintendent was instructed to advertise for bids for transportation of pupils from and to the following places during the ensuing year.

Route No. 1—St. Lucie to Fort Pierce school.

Route No. 2—J. H. Jeakings to Fort Pierce school.

Route No. 3—W. H. Harris' (at Tibbals) to Jensen school.

Route No. 4—Waveland to Jensen school.

These wagons are only to carry such pupils as live 1½ miles or more from the school house. The wagons to be run on a schedule to be prepared by the Board. Sealed bids should be submitted to the chairman of the Board, W. J. Nesbitt, (continued on page 4)

Notice.

I desire to announce that I have sold my interest in the Fort Pierce Drug Company to Percy H. and Hattie Hendrix, who will conduct the business and collect all outstanding accounts.

I wish to thank my friends for their generous patronage in the past and speak for a continuance of the same with my successors. It is with much regret that I sever business relations here, but interests elsewhere make it imperative. I hope, however, to be able to serve the people of this section in a like capacity in the near future.

Notice

Anyone wishing information in regard to registration will call on or communicate with F. M. Tyler who will have charge of the registration books during my absence. ED EDGE, Supervisor Registration.