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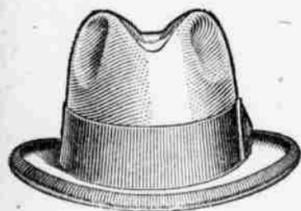
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PALATKA RURAL ROAD BONDS CARRY

People Voted Them by Ten to One Majority—Other Districts to Form.

In the bond election last Tuesday, held for the purpose of determining whether the special road district formed for the purpose of building brick roads through East Palatka to Orange Mills and to Hastings to connect with the St. Johns county brick highway; connecting roads to Federal Point and San Mateo; roads to run through Palatka Heights to Peniel and from Palatka's limits to Rice Creek, the people approved the issue in a vote of 347 for to 36 against.

This vote by precincts was as follows:

Precinct	For	Against
No. 8—San Mateo	33	0
No. 9—East Palatka	53	1
No. 10—Federal Point	26	0
No. 11—Palatka Heights	41	12
No. 12—Palatka	48	2
No. 13—Palatka	14	2
No. 14—Palatka	14	1
No. 15—Palatka	27	0
No. 23—Palatka	14	2
No. 24—Palatka	41	12
No. 25—Palatka	36	4
Total	347	36

Of course the voting in this election was confined to the free-holders in the precincts named—the people who own the land and pay the taxes. This accounts for the apparently light vote. It is a distinct victory for the progressive people of the districts named, and will be far reaching in its influence on other districts of the county yet to be formed.

The Bostwick district set the pace. Some weeks ago this precinct voted bonds for hard roads unanimously—not a single vote was registered against the proposition.

It is said that the peninsula section of the county has been watching the outcome of this Palatka election and that in event of its success an effort would be made to form a district including all the precincts on the East land peninsula for the purpose of voting a bond issue to build a brick road from the southern end of the Dunn's Creek bridge through Satsuma, Sisco, Pomona, Lake Como, Crescent City and on to the Volusia county line, with a branch running from Sisco to Welaka and other points on the river.

It is understood that the Crescent City board of trade will take the initiative in this matter soon. The necessity of this move will be more apparent now that Secretary Elliott of the Palatka board of trade has been successful in getting the approval of the Central Florida Highway Association for this road as a part of the great Lee and Jackson highway from Jacksonville to Tampa.

The election also demonstrates the wisdom of the legislature in passing a law which permits the establishment of road districts. Heretofore it would have been a county measure and part of the county not directly interested would have voted on and against the bonds—as they would have had good reason for doing.

The News cannot refrain from offering to the board of trade committee of which Dr. H. A. Johnson was chairman, its congratulations for its intelligent handling of this successful campaign. This committee saw the voters in person and explained the advantages which would result from the issue of bonds for the roads.

The News would also congratulate the people of Palatka on the unquestioned spirit of progress which animates the people who pay the taxes of this section. They are for progress with a capital P. You may now begin to watch this section grow as it never grew before.

Viva la Palatka; viva la East Palatka; viva la Federal Point; viva San Mateo; viva the Heights; viva ever-bede.

The board of county commissioners met yesterday afternoon to canvas the vote. The total as declared by the board is: For 347; against 36.

WESTCHESTER CO. WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.

Secures Contract for Palatka's New Postoffice Building.

Under terms of Contract the Building Must be Completed Within Fifteen Months after Signing Contract.

As stated by The Palatka News some two weeks ago as probab. contract for Palatka's new postoffice building has been awarded to the Westchester Engineering Company of White Plains, N. Y. This company was the lowest bidder, its price for the completed work being \$39,652. This is said to be exclusive of the amount required furniture.

According to the terms of the contract the building must be completed within fifteen months from the date of the signing of the contract.

Light colored limestone is to be used for all exterior stone work, except where granite is required. The building proper is to be of pressed brick, and according to the plans will be a model of architectural beauty.

From information which comes to The News from White Plains work is to commence on the new postoffice building very soon. When the representative of the company was in this city making a study of the ground, he stated to Postmaster Gray that in case his company secured the contract he would begin work within 30 days. The contracts have been signed with the Treasury Department and the required bonds approved.

The new postoffice will face Second street and is to be directly opposite the City Hall. While on a side street, it is only a block from Lemon street and will have ground sufficient to set off its beauty and afford ornamental space on all sides. The location is ideal in this respect, and as for convenience it has advantages over the present post-office location.

Postmaster Harry Gray will have a room to himself and a fine desk and swivel chair. In the upper left hand corner of his desk he will keep a box of Havana cigars for all callers. He will be democratic in deed and truth, politically and socially, though the first postmaster in Palatka to be surrounded with those essentials which make for "the insolence of office."

The Washington Post of Saturday tells of the tennis contests at the Columbia Country Club the day before in which the winners were Connie Doyle and Harold Selden. The contest will have a deep local interest from the fact that young Selden was a former Palatka boy, son of our former townspeople, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Selden.

Harold Selden, previous to the removal of the family to Washington last year was a student in Setson University, DeLand, where he took to tennis and in the many university club contests won and for two years held the State tennis championship of Florida. In Washington he appears to have kept the pace. The Washington Post says of the game:

Enthusiastic followers of tennis were given quite a treat yesterday afternoon at the Columbia Country Club courts when the championships in the men's doubles and women's singles were decided. The doubles contest was a hard one, but the singles were somewhat easy for the woman champion.

Connie Doyle and Harold Selden fought it out with Albert Gore and Paul Treanor, and finally triumphed in three out of four matches by the scores, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 and 6-4. It was expected that Gore and Treanor, fresh from their victory at the Cumberland tournament, would make Doyle and Selden extend themselves throughout the match, but the contrary was the case, although the victory cannot be classed as an easy one. Treanor did not play up to anything like his true form and, of course, that threw almost all the work on Gore's shoulders. Gore did his best at all times, but his best could not offset the splendid work of Connie Doyle, the star on the other side.

The victory of Doyle and Selden entitles them to the honor of being champions of the District in the doubles, and should they continue to play together so as to develop strong team work, with the latter's expected improvement, they should carry the honors for years to come.

Big Fire at Miami.
Miami has had another destructive fire. Forty-five boats, including several fine yachts belonging to wealthy winter residents, were destroyed in a fire that wiped out the Southall boat yards in that city last Wednesday morning. The loss of Southall boat yards was about \$14,000 with no insurance. What the loss on the yachts is cannot be stated, though it will run close to \$100,000.

It is not known here in Palatka whether the yacht of W. L. Mellon was among those destroyed or not.

ALL ROADS ARE TO LEAD PALATKAWARD

Senic, Lee and Jackson and East and West Loop of Dixie Highway

Will all Pass through this City—National Highway also Likely to Have Terminal in Palatka.

Secretary Elliott has been playing a winning game in all the contests which have been going on in the State to secure routings for the several leading highways that are soon to traverse Florida. Palatka has been designated as a station on each one of them, and when they are completed Palatka will be first among the cities of the State in its highway connections.

It will be the center from which all the roads will gravitate. Through it will pass the Lee and Jackson Highway, north and south, and over this same route the Florida Scenic Highway, as well as the east and west loop of the Dixie Highway, which is to connect with the main highway at Hastings and run to Gainesville. This is not only the official, but the only possible connection, as Palatka holds the key in that it possesses the only wagon bridge across the St. Johns river.

Not satisfied with his achievements so far, however, Secretary Elliott is now at work with more than a fair chance of success, in efforts to make an official connection for Palatka with the National Highway, and this over a route that heretofore has not been mentioned at any of the highway meetings.

In this proposed new route Secretary Elliott is now interesting all the good roads boosters of Putnam, Bradford, Columbia and Hamilton counties, the four counties through which this route will pass.

Beginning at Melrose, Ga., this route, according to Secretary Elliott should come southeast to Jennings, Jasper, White Springs, Lake City, Lake Butler, Starke, Hampton, Melrose, Putnam Hall, Grandin, Florahome, Baywood, Carraway, Springside to Palatka, its terminus. This route will open a splendid and growing section in the counties named and make an air line for the National Highway from Atlanta, Macon and Vidalia to Palatka, as the crow flies without a ford or ferry to build, and without a crook or turn, and tourists making the State from Atlanta would save about a hundred miles to all points south of this city over any of the other proposed routes.

Secretary Elliott has been in communication with parties at Lake City and other points on the proposed air-line route and they are all willing, anxious, to pull their coats and girdles and this movement.

It has been asserted that this route could be officially opened in a few months time, as any of the counties would have but little to do to make the proper connections and log the route for official publication. Putnam county has most of this road built and graded through a splendidly thriving section, and with less than six miles to make it complete.

The board of trade will take the matter up at its next meeting on Monday night, Sept. 20th, when it will likely appoint a committee to wait on the county commissioners to ascertain just what Putnam county expects in the way of roads at a meeting which will be held by the representatives of the four counties, probably at Starke.

This highway will have the advantage over any highway now reaching the State, or any proposed route, and with a terminus at Palatka from which all parts of the State can be reached over modern highways.

GENERAL FOSTER TO SPEAK TO-NIGHT.

Gen. J. Clifford R. Foster, adjutant general of Florida, will arrive in Palatka today from St. Augustine.

Gen. Foster comes to help in the matter of forming a company of Florida State troops in this city, the same when formed to be a part of the First Regiment.

A local committee has been at work on the plan for the past two weeks and has been meeting with much encouragement from the young men of the city.

Gen. Foster and others will speak from the steps of the Court house. He is a distinguished military expert and a most interesting talker, especially on his favorite topic. We hope the young men of Palatka will give him a rousing reception to-night.

Making Good Citizens.
Anent the pardoning of a criminal that has caused so much comment in the state the Reporter-Star gives the full text of the pardoning board report. It shows that the pardon was a conditional one which mitigates the crime somewhere but does not assuage our anguish at the fact. However, if Joe Reese thinks it is all right we will take his article in good faith and watch the result of the act of the pardoning board. If they can convert said criminal into a good citizen far be it from us to interfere. Anything is better than the present convict system and if all the criminals can be pardoned and sent to Orlando, Joe Reese can be depended upon to make them better citizens.—Sanford Herald.

COUNTRY CLUB TO BE ORGANIZED HERE

Option Secured on 100 Acre Tract on Dunn's Creek—Beautiful Spot.

John A. Crosby of San Mateo and one of the best known men in the county is promoting the organization of a country club and was interviewing leading men and motorists in the city yesterday with the view of interesting them in the proposition. It is a matter of record that every gentleman whom Mr. Crosby approached with a view to his becoming a member gave ready assent. Members will come from San Mateo and Crescent City as well as have subscribed to the scheme from each of these places. At least sixty Palatkans will join, possibly more.

Mr. Crosby has an option on 100 acres of land on Dunn's Creek belonging to the Cook Cattle Co. of which R. C. Middleton of Crescent City is manager. The spot was for some time occupied as a camp by the Sutherlands. It is a beauty-spot. Facing the creek the land has high embankments and there are beautiful shade trees of live oak. Back the land is for the most part level cleared land with some timber in spots.

It is Mr. Crosby's plan as soon as 100 members have been secured to purchase the property and erect a club house. Then he will plan at least two tennis courts, golf links, and possibly a swimming pool.

The site of the proposed country club is about nine miles from Palatka, or 30 minutes drive by motor.

FLORIDA LANDS RICHEST IN WORLD

Says Chas. H. Sieg—Preparing to Boom Lands in Putnam County.

Last week's Dixie had the following article anent the work of Chas. H. Sieg in Putnam, Clay, Marion and Duval counties:

Chas. H. Sieg has completed the formation of his company, which will result in the development of hundreds of thousands of acres of idle Florida lands. Mr. Sieg's efforts have the signed endorsement of leading business and professional men in Florida, including banks and various big enterprises.

It is Mr. Sieg's purpose to immediately open offices in Chicago and other cities, but Chicago will be headquarters. He has already planned an extensive advertising campaign, and millions of people will be told of the advantages of Florida lands and the opportunities offered to settlers.

Mr. Sieg and his associates are backed by abundant capital, and special attention is to be given to the lands in Putnam, Marion, Clay and Duval counties.

The best of lands have been selected for these extensive operations, and Mr. Sieg is confident that thousands of new settlers will be brought to Florida and made prosperous and happy.

"Idle lands," said he, "are the best and richest in the world, and if properly cultivated we could practically feed the nation. We propose to offer none but lands that will prove most fertile and profitable. We know that satisfied purchasers will bring more settlers. It is our purpose to prove to the people throughout the United States that Florida lands present golden opportunities. Our campaign of advertising will give the facts and the positive proof that Florida can grow more and better products than any other State in the Union."

"Florida has been grossly slandered and we intend to overshadow these slanders with the absolute proof that ten acres well cared for here is worth 100 acres of millions of the lands under so-called cultivation in many other States."

"We are going to make the price so tempting that the farmer with small means can come and make a better living here than anywhere else in the world. Thousands are only waiting to be shown, and we propose to show them."

"I have had 16,000 purchasers during my operations and not a disputed title. We will have hundreds of thousands of acres of the best lands in the world to offer—lands which have the endorsement of the United States Agricultural Department, through its soil surveys. A fortune will be spent in judicious advertising in the Northwest and the Central States, but this is the only way to reach the people."

"Demonstration farms and a permanent exhibit are among our plans for the near future. We will show the people what is, and can be grown. We will show them that Florida soil and climate are unequalled. We are going to bring the settlers here. Or this I am very sure, and I am sure of prosperity for all of these settlers."

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TO-DAY
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