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West Palm Beach, Fla. July 5th, 1909.

On the above date there appeared, at the County Seat of Palm Beach County, County Commissioners E. W. McPherson, N. H. DeCamara, and R. H. Rousseau, who had received their commissions; but as County Commissioners H. J. Sibleck and E. F. Cowers, who were also present, had not received their commissions, the organization of the Board of County Commissioners in, and for the County of Palm Beach was postponed to 10 o'clock, of the next day, the same being Tuesday, July 6th, 1909.

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The Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County met this day for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization, and make arrangements for temporarily carrying on the County government of the above named County, in accordance with the provisions of the Bill passed by the last Legislature, creating the County of Palm Beach. There were present at this meeting County Commissioners E. W. McPherson, E. F. Cowers, N. H. DeCamara, R. H. Rousseau, and H. J. Sibleck.

Organization of Board.

Commissioner McPherson nominated Mr. N. H. DeCamara to be Chairman of the Board, seconded by Mr. Rousseau. No other nominations being made Mr. McPherson put the motion, and it was carried unanimously, and Mr. N. H. DeCamara was declared elected to be Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners for Palm Beach County.

Mr. Rousseau nominated Mr. Fred E. Fennie to be temporary Clerk of the Board, until his commission arrives, making him permanent Clerk of the Board. Nomination was seconded by Mr. Cowers and the motion was put, same was carried unanimously.

Division of County into Districts

The Board then proceeded to divide the County into County Commissioners' and Justice of the Peace Districts, and Election Precincts, as follows:

County Commissioners Districts.

Com. Dist No. 1

District No. 1 shall be bounded on the North by the North line of Palm Beach County, on the West by the Western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the North line of section thirty-six (36) in Township thirty-nine (39) South of range forty-two (42) East, with the shore of the Atlantic

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Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom, and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Comm District

No. 2

District No. 2 shall be bounded on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the North line of Section thirty six (36) in Township thirty nine (39) south, range forty two (42) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the West by the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the South by the South line of Township forty one (41) south, extending from the western boundary of said County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Comm District

No. 3

District No. 3 shall be bounded on the North by the north line of Township Forty two (42) south, extending from the western boundary of Palm Beach County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of section fourteen (14) in Township forty four (44) south, range forty three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Comm Dist

No. 4

District No. 4 shall be bounded on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of section fourteen (14) in Township forty four (44) south, range forty three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of Section nine (9) in Township Forty seven (47) south, range forty three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Comm Dist

No. 5

District No. 5 shall be bounded on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south

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line of Section nine (9) in Township forty-seven (47) south, range forty-three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom, and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the West by the western boundary of said County; on the South by the south line of said County; and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Justice of the Peace Districts

Justice Dist

No. 1

District No. 1. shall be bounded, on the North by the north line of Palm Beach County; on the West by the western boundary of said County; on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the north line of section thirty-six (36) in Township thirty-nine (39) south, range forty-two (42) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County; and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Justice Dist

No. 2

District No. 2. shall be bounded, on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the north line of Section thirty six <sup>(36)</sup> in Township thirty nine (39) south, range forty-two (42) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom, and following the section lines in their respective order to the Western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the west by the western boundary of said County, on the South by the south line of Township forty-one (41) south, extended from the western boundary of said County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Justice Dist

No. 3

District No. 3. shall be bounded, on the North by the North line of Township forty-two (42) south, extended from the western boundary of Palm Beach County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean; on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of section fourteen (14) in Township forty-four (44) south, range forty-three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Justice Dist

No. 4

District No. 4. shall be bounded, on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south

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line of Section fourteen (14) in Township forty-four (44) south, range forty-three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom, and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the West by the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the South by the south line of Township forty-five (45) south, extended from the western boundary of said County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Justice Dist  
No. 5

District No. 5 shall be bounded on the North by the north line of Township forty-six (46) south, extended from the western boundary of Palm Beach County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of Section nine (9) in Township forty-seven (47) south, range forty-three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Justice Dist  
No. 6

District No. 6 shall be bounded on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of Section nine (9) in Township forty-seven (47) south, range forty-three (43) East, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom, and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of Section seventeen (17), in Township forty-eight (48) south, range forty-three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

Justice Dist  
No. 7

District No. 7 shall be bounded on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of section seventeen (17) in Township forty-eight (48) south, range forty-three (43) East, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the West by

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the Western boundary of said County, on the South by the south line of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

### Election Precincts

Election Precinct

No. 1.

Precinct No. 1. shall be bounded on the North by the north line of Palm Beach County, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the north line of Section thirty-six (36) in Township thirty nine (39) south, range forty-two (42) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and the polling place shall be at Stuart.

Election Precinct

No. 2.

Precinct No. 2. shall be bounded on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the north line of Section thirty-six (36) in Township Thirty nine (39) south, range forty-two (42) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by the south line of Township forty one (41) south, extended from the western boundary of said County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and on the east by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and the polling place shall be at Jupiter.

Election Precinct

No. 3.

Precinct No. 3. shall be bounded on the north by the North line of Township Forty-two (42) south, extended from the western boundary of Palm Beach County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the south by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of Section Fourteen (14) in Township forty-four (44) south, range forty-three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and the polling place shall be at West Palm Beach.

Election Precinct

No. 4.

Precinct No. 4. shall be bounded on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the South line of Section Fourteen (14) in Township Forty-four (44) south

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range Forty-three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by the south line of Township Forty-five (45) South, extended from the western boundary of said County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and the polling place shall be at Boynton.

Election Precinct

No. 5. Precinct No 5. shall be bounded on the North by the north line of Township Forty six (46) south, extended from the western boundary of Palm Beach County to the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, on the West by the western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the South line of section nine (9) in Township Forty seven (47) south, range forty three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom, and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and the polling place shall be at Delray.

Election Precinct

No. 6. Precinct No 6. shall be bounded on the north by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of Section nine (9) in Township Forty seven (47) south, range forty three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom, and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the west by the western boundary of said County, on the South by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the South line of Section seventeen (17) in Township Forty eight (48) south, range forty three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom, and following the section lines in their respective order to the western boundary of said County, and on the East by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and the polling place shall be at Deerfield.

Election Precinct

No. 7. Precinct No 7. shall be bounded on the North by a line commencing at the point of intersection of the south line of Section seventeen (17) in township forty eight (48) south, range Forty three (43) east, with the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, and extending westerly therefrom to the western boundary of Palm Beach County, on the west by the western boundary of said County, on the South by the south line of said County, and on the East

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by the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, and the polling place shall be at Pompano.

Attorney for the Board

There was only one application received by the Board for the position of Attorney to the Board, this being the application of Mr. C. C. Chillingworth, and on motion of Mr. Rousseau seconded by Mr. Hiblack, Mr. Chillingworth was nominated to be Attorney for the Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Seal for the Board

On motion of Mr. Rousseau, seconded by Mr. Powers, the following was adopted, as the official seal for the Board:

The same to consist of two concentric rings with the words "Board of County Commissioners" between said rings, and within the inner ring shall be the words "Palm Beach County, Florida."

Official Organ for the County

The Board received the applications of the Tropical Sun and the Palm Beach News, to be made the official organ of the County, and on motion of Mr. Rousseau, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Tropical Sun was named by the Board as the Official Organ for the County of Palm Beach.

On motion of Com<sup>r</sup> Rousseau, seconded by Com<sup>r</sup> McPherson, the following resolution was adopted by the Board:

Bonds of Officers

It is Resolved, that the officers named in the following list shall execute official bonds, in the several sums set opposite their names respectively:

Tax Collector,	\$30,000 <sup>00</sup>
Treasurer,	50,000 <sup>00</sup>
Clerk Circuit Court,	5,000 <sup>00</sup>
Sheriff	3,500 <sup>00</sup>
County Judge	2,500 <sup>00</sup>

The Board then approved the following bonds of the several County Officers named:

R. E. Stypman, Tax Collector, in the sum of \$30,000<sup>00</sup> with the following sureties, J. R. Anthony for in the sum of \$5,000<sup>00</sup>, J. C. Stowers in the sum of 5,000<sup>00</sup>, E. M. Orelford in the sum of 5,000<sup>00</sup>, Otto Stypman in the sum of 5,000<sup>00</sup>, H. J. Dyer in the sum of 5,000<sup>00</sup>, E. Stypman in the sum of 2,500<sup>00</sup> and Walter Kitching in the sum of 2,500<sup>00</sup>

Fred E. Fenno, Clerk Circuit Court in the sum of \$5,000<sup>00</sup> with the following sureties in the sum of \$500<sup>00</sup> each, Jas. S. Walker, J. M. Acton, J. O. Taylor jr., John A. Zeder, Frank

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Crego, John Zill, L W Hubbard, J S Forno, Jno S Whippert,  
John S Sundry.

James M. Owens, Tax Assessor, in the sum of \$1000  
with A. P. Anthony, G. S. Strohm, E. M. Drelford, and J. R.  
Anthony Jr. as sureties.

T. M. Richards, Jr. County Judge, in the sum of \$2500<sup>00</sup>  
with Max Surkin, and George W. Potter, as sureties.

George S. Baker, Sheriff, in the sum of \$3500<sup>00</sup> with  
E. A. Dimick, C. A. Woodruff, and George W. Lambart, as sureties.

J. C. Harris, Superintendent of Public Instruction in the  
sum of \$1000<sup>00</sup> with G. S. Strohm and C. A. Woodruff as sureties.

J. L. Gier, Supervisor of Registration, in the sum of \$500<sup>00</sup>  
with G. S. Strohm, and E. C. Gier, as sureties.

The Board then took a recess until 1-30 P.M.

Board met at 1-30 P.M. with all members present.

Advertising  
for bids for  
supplies.

On Motion of Com: McPherson, seconded by Powers, the  
Clerk was instructed by the Board to advertise for bids for  
the necessary books, office supplies, and furniture for the  
different offices in the Court House.

Safe for use  
of County Judge

Motion by Com: Roussiau, seconded by Powers, and  
carried that the Board buy, one No. 70 fire proof safe of  
the Diebold Safe & Lock Co. for the use of the County Judge,  
the same to be delivered at the Depot in West Palm Beach  
for \$300<sup>00</sup>.

Petition for  
County Road  
at Deerfield

Petition signed by E. A. Thomas and fifteen others,  
praying for County Road at Deerfield, was received and the  
following viewers were named, to inspect road, and make  
report on same, at next regular meeting of the Board, W. H.  
Sistrunk, Curt Paulerson, and Perry Purdom. The said road  
being described in petition, as beginning, at a point, at boat  
landing, on Canal east of Railroad, and running west on the  
first ten acre line, south, of the north line of section six (6)  
township forty eight (48) south range forty three (43) east, ac-  
cording to subdivision of said Section Six (6), this being  
the main street through our little town, to a point four (4)  
miles west of the railroad, known as the Blackwelder  
Place.

County Comm-  
missioner appointed

Moved by Mr. Roussiau, seconded by Mr. Stab-  
lack, and motion carried that Mr. J. J. Campbell be appoint-  
ed County Commissioner for Palm Beach County.



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Petition State Bank - re Mile. Posts ✓  
Petition was received from the Dade County State Bank asking permission to erect mile posts, along the highways of the County, and on motion of Com<sup>r</sup> Rousseau seconded by Com<sup>r</sup> Powers the Board granted the right as prayed for, the same to be free of all expense to the County.

Regular Meeting Day fixed ✓  
The Board in regular form, adopted the first Tuesday of each month, as the regular meeting day for the Board of County Commissioners, except when that day falls on a Legat Holiday, in which event, the next succeeding day shall be the regular meeting day.

Salary of Clerk of Court ✓  
Moved by Com<sup>r</sup> McCherson, seconded by Com<sup>r</sup> Sublack, and motion carried that the Clerk be allowed of seventy five dollars per month for his services as Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.

Pay of Clerk for Transcribing Records at Miami ✓  
Moved by Com<sup>r</sup> Rousseau, seconded by Com<sup>r</sup> Sublack and motion carried that the Clerk be allowed a salary of seventy five dollars per month, for each man employed, while he shall be engaged in transcribing the records of Dade County, for the use of Palm Beach County.

Pay of Judge Transcribing Records at Miami ✓  
Moved by Commissioner McCherson, seconded by Com<sup>r</sup> Rousseau, and motion carried, that the County Judge be allowed a salary of seventy five dollars per month, for each man employed, while he shall be engaged in transcribing the records in the office of the County Judge of Dade County, for the use of Palm Beach County.

Location of the Temporary Court House ✓  
Moved by Com<sup>r</sup> Rousseau, seconded by Com<sup>r</sup> Powers, and motion carried that the Old School House, at the corner of Clematis Avenue, and Comsotta Street in the City of West Palm Beach, be, and the same is hereby made the Temporary Court House for Palm Beach County until further arrangements are made.

Appointment of Janitor for the Court House ✓  
The Board then regularly appointed Mr Geo P Ga-her to be Janitor of the Court house and premises, at a compensation to be fixed later by the Board.

Application of F. Egerton & Co. to sell liquors ✓  
The application of F. Egerton & Co. for permit to sell liquors, wine and beer in Election Precinct No 3 was received and ordered advertised by the Board.

Application of Wm H Blackmer, with A. H. Sherwood and George G. Stacy, as trustees, for permit to carry fire arms. ✓  
The application of Wm H Blackmer, with A. H. Sherwood and George G. Stacy, as trustees, for permit to carry fire arms, was received and on motion permit was granted.

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County Auditor  
ordered to audit  
said County Books  
and vouchers, etc.  
and accounts

The Board in regular form, authorized, and instructed the County Auditor to proceed to Miami, and with the help of such expert accountant as he should see fit to obtain, and procure from the records of that County, a true and correct statement of the financial condition of said County up to and including the 30th day of June 1909, and make report of same to this Board as early as possible.

The Board then took a recess until Thursday,  
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W. DeCours  
Chairman Board of County Commissioners

Attest F. E. Tenno  
Clerk