

Gainesville, Fla., April 12, 1926.

Mr. Jones, Secretary,  
Chamber of Commerce,  
Wauchula, Florida.

Dear Mr. Jones:-

When I left Wauchula the other day we stopped at Mrs. Mumford's ranch. I was properly impressed with what she is doing and I should like to know, if it is proper that I should, the price and terms paid for her land. I understand that she made the purchase five years ago. I should like to know, too, what neighboring land in the same locality and in practically the same condition is held at to-day. If you can let me know at once here I shall be grateful.

I do not think I properly thanked you and Mr. Evans and all the kind people in Wauchula for that nice dinner you gave me. I haven't had a pleasanter experience in Florida. You have a great county and it looks to me as if you are going at its development properly. Don't hurry and don't let the price of farm lands become prohibitive. Keep it within the reach of people like Mrs. Mumford. There is your best hope, -- not in speculative values. Forgive me for preaching. I would like to see Hardee become a model.

Very truly yours,

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