

What a huge part the proposed Y. M. C. A. building may play in the life of West Palm Beach is what the city does not realize until the various arrangements of the desired building are understood.

The plans proposed for St. Petersburg are very similar to those applicable to local conditions here. On the ground floor is the cafeteria seating about 120 with dining room for civic clubs and committee work. The swimming pool and many locker rooms and storage boxes, the latter especially for dormitory residents occupy much of the space on this floor where the kitchen is also placed.

On the first floor is the gymnasium, special exercise room, chess and checker room, men's reading room, men's lobby, men's social room, younger boys social room, older boys social space, the patio also being a centre of social activities. Offices are on this floor. Club or class rooms are on the second floor with the running track and upper portion of the gymnasium with some dormitories. The upper floors are entirely given up to dormitories numbering in all about 85 and accommodating 100 young men.

In Tampa, the dormitory space is in such demand that 126 men are now occupying the 65 rooms giving an indication of what may be expected here unless sufficient dormitory space is provided and Tampa is now proposing to use its entire present building for dormitories.

The swimming pool will be white tiled, 20 by 60 feet, with filtered water. At one ocean resort where it was considered unnecessary to include a swimming pool it proved the biggest mistake in the building plan as every one using the gymnasium wanted a plunge afterward and the pool had to be added at much greater expense than its initial inclusion would have cost.

Officially described the building should provide:

Social Headquarters--Large, attractive men's lobby, comfortable lounging chairs, fireplace, piano, social games.

Physical Department--Two gymnasiums--one devoted to scheduled classes, the other to body building up-

MIAMI REALTY MEN BUY IN OKEECHOBEE

Connors' Organization Announces Sale of Land Worth \$300,000

Heralding a new boom for Okeechobee City, W. L. McGriff, auditor of the W. J. Connors organization here, yesterday announced the consummation of sales of Okeechobee City lands aggregating more than \$300,000. The realty was sold to the firm of Kirkland and Fordham Miami, and their associates in Nassau, one of whom represents the island in the British house of commons.

According to McGriff, the deal evolved and completed with startling swiftness, involved the sale of 26 acres of Connors acreage lying just inside the west limits of the town of Okeechobee, and 34 choice townsite lots. The acreage sold for \$1,000 per acre. The lots brought approximately \$40,000.

The acreage, which was part of Connors' vast holdings in the Everglades and around Okeechobee City immediately will be subdivided and offered on the market to the purchasers, it was said. The strip of land extends along the western boundary of the town for a mile northerly and southerly and is a half mile wide. It is traversed in an easterly and westerly direction by the new Seaboard Air Line Railway and the State Road No. 8 to the west coast.

It also was announced at the Connors' offices here yesterday that ground already has been broken for a 75-room hotel to cost \$120,000, and which J. G. MacNeff, proprietor of the Northern hotel, Okeechobee, is erecting. The new structure will be known as "The Southland."