

# 400 FARMERS OF NORTH BUY FLORIDA LAND

## 10,000 Acres of Land In Okeechobee District Are Bought By New Settlers

OKEECHOBEE, Fla., Dec. 28.—  
(AP)—Four hundred farmers of  
Ohio, Wisconsin and Iowa, mostly  
of Swedish and German decent,  
have purchased 10,000 acres of land  
north of this town and forty fam-  
ilies now are reported enroute here  
to start the settlement planned for  
the tract, it was announced here  
today when clearing of the land  
was started under the direction of  
an experienced agriculturist.

Other families will emigrate  
south as soon as the land is made  
ready for cultivation, it was said.

Conversion of six farm houses  
and a community hall has been  
started and plans have been made  
for the sub-irrigation of the tract  
on a cooperative basis. State high-  
ways number 29 and the Florida  
East Coast railway pass through the  
property.

Former owners of the property  
said that seventy per cent of the  
new property owners had paid for  
their property, and that the tract  
had been sub-divided into farms of  
from 50 to 150 acres. It is the pur-  
pose of the colonists to engage in  
general farming and dairying.