

# Okeechobee

(Special to The Herald.)

Okeechobee, Sept. 8.—The Okeechobee guards went to Fort Pierce on Labor Day to participate in the celebration. The occasion was one of great importance to our local company since it was their first public exhibition. The following public spirited citizens and members carried the guards over in their cars: Messrs. D. E. Austin, T. B. Owens, A. W. Davis, W. T. Goode, H. H. Hancock, G. F. Parker, L. F. Scharfschwerdt, Ed. Scharfschwerdt, Wm. Collins, Weaver, A. M. Bunnell, C. E. Simmons.

The cars arrived in Fort Pierce at about 9 o'clock. At 9:30 the companies were formed on the court house lawn and marched through the streets and back to the court house. After the street parade the companies each sent a detail for guard mount. After guard mounting the companies were marched to the St. Lucie county armory where they stacked arms and were dismissed for dinner.

Dinner was served in army style. After dinner some went to the surf, some went to the swimming pool and some to the ball game.

At 3 p. m. the companies were again formed in front of the armory and were marched this time to the school grounds, where the exhibition drills took place. Each company gave a twenty-minute drill and a battalion parade was held and the battalion marched in review before Adjutant General J. B. Christian. Gen. Christian commended most highly the fine spirit displayed by all the organizations, and said he was gratified to see such improvement as had taken place in the guards since he saw them on July 4.

The home guards' ball at the Fort Pierce hotel was largely attended. The dance began at 9 p. m. and continued until midnight.

The program was participated in by the following organizations: The St. Lucie guards band, the Fort Pierce company, the Vero company, the Stuart company, the Palm Beach company, and the Okeechobee company.

Misses Margaret Thomason and Ruth French have returned home after several days' visit to Miss Gertrude Schilling, at Bluefield.

Miss Leslie Maynard has returned from her home in Tifton, Ga. She is head of the music department of the county high school.

Mrs. H. E. Wiggins, of Pahokee, spent the week-end with friends here.

C. L. Wilder, of Plant City, spent a few days here this week. He was on his way to Pahokee to look after his farming interests there.

Friday evening, the women of the Methodist church entertained in honor of the teachers of the school here. The program was: piano solo, Miss Leslie Maynard; reading, Miss Beryl Lovvorn; address of welcome, Master Mobley; reading, Mrs. E. E. Armistead; vocal solo, Mrs. Mobley; reading, Maxine Sharp; reading, Little Miss DuPree; musical selections, Misses Maynard and Bennett and Mrs. Thomason. Punch and cake were served by Misses Margaret Thomason, Ruth French and Nellie Turner. The parsonage was opened and many visitors called. The teachers are: Principal W. R. Terrell, Misses Jewell Wicker, Anna Funk, Hazel Norton, Carolyn Koegal, Nellie Hill, Evelyn Marsh, Laura Holt, Mary Gladney, Lillian Thomason and Hazel Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Curtis, of Jacksonville, were visitors here the first of the week.

J. S. Coffe and W. E. Templeton, of Bowling Green, passed through here on their way to the St. Lucie canal, where they are employed by the Bowers Southern Dredging Co.

B. Blattner, of the Empire Produce Co. of Jacksonville, is here buying produce for his firm.

J. M. Lee and R. W. Swain, of Fort Drum, attended the meeting of the school board here Tuesday.

H. H. Fertic, of Kenansville, is spending a few days with his son, who works in the railway shops here.

A. T. Rossiter, of Pahokee, was in town a few days this week.

A. E. Baisden and Sol. Padgett, of Kenansville, are visiting friends in Okeechobee.

Miss Carolyn Kaegel, of Gothe, has come to take up her duties as seventh grade teacher in the county high school.