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# The Seminole Wars 1816-1858



# Aaron Jernigan

Adjutant General's Office,  
Washington, March 26, 1856.

Sir:

In answer to your letter of the 17th instant, I regret to inform you that the supply of Army Regulations has been entirely exhausted.

Very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
Co. ops  
Adjutant General.

To  
Captain A. Jernigan,  
Jernigan's P.O.  
Orange County  
Fla.

In the Name and by the Authority of the State of Florida.

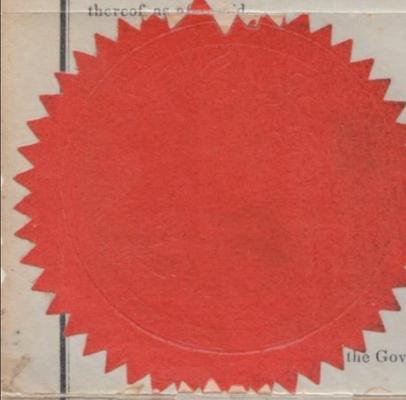
To all to whom these Presents may come,—Greeting:

WHEREAS, *Aaron Jernigan* hath been duly

*Elected*

according to the Constitution and Laws of said State, to be *Captain of Company No. 6 of Volunteers raised to protect the frontiers against the Seminole Indians* from the 10<sup>th</sup> day of *March 1856*, to continue during good behavior, or until his office is vacated by law: *to continue for six months, unless sooner discharged.*

NOW, THEREFORE, the said *Aaron Jernigan* is hereby commissioned to be such *Captain of Company No. 6 of Volunteers raised to protect the frontiers against the Seminole Indians* according to the Constitution and Laws of said State, for the term aforesaid, and to have, hold and exercise the said office, and all the powers appertaining thereto, and to fulfil the duties thereof, and to receive the privileges and emoluments thereof as aforesaid.



Testimony Whereof, the Governor of said State has signed this Commission, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed thereto, at the Capitol, in Tallahassee, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of *March*, A. D. 1856, and of the Independence of the United States, the 80<sup>th</sup> year, and of the Independence of Florida the 11<sup>th</sup> year.

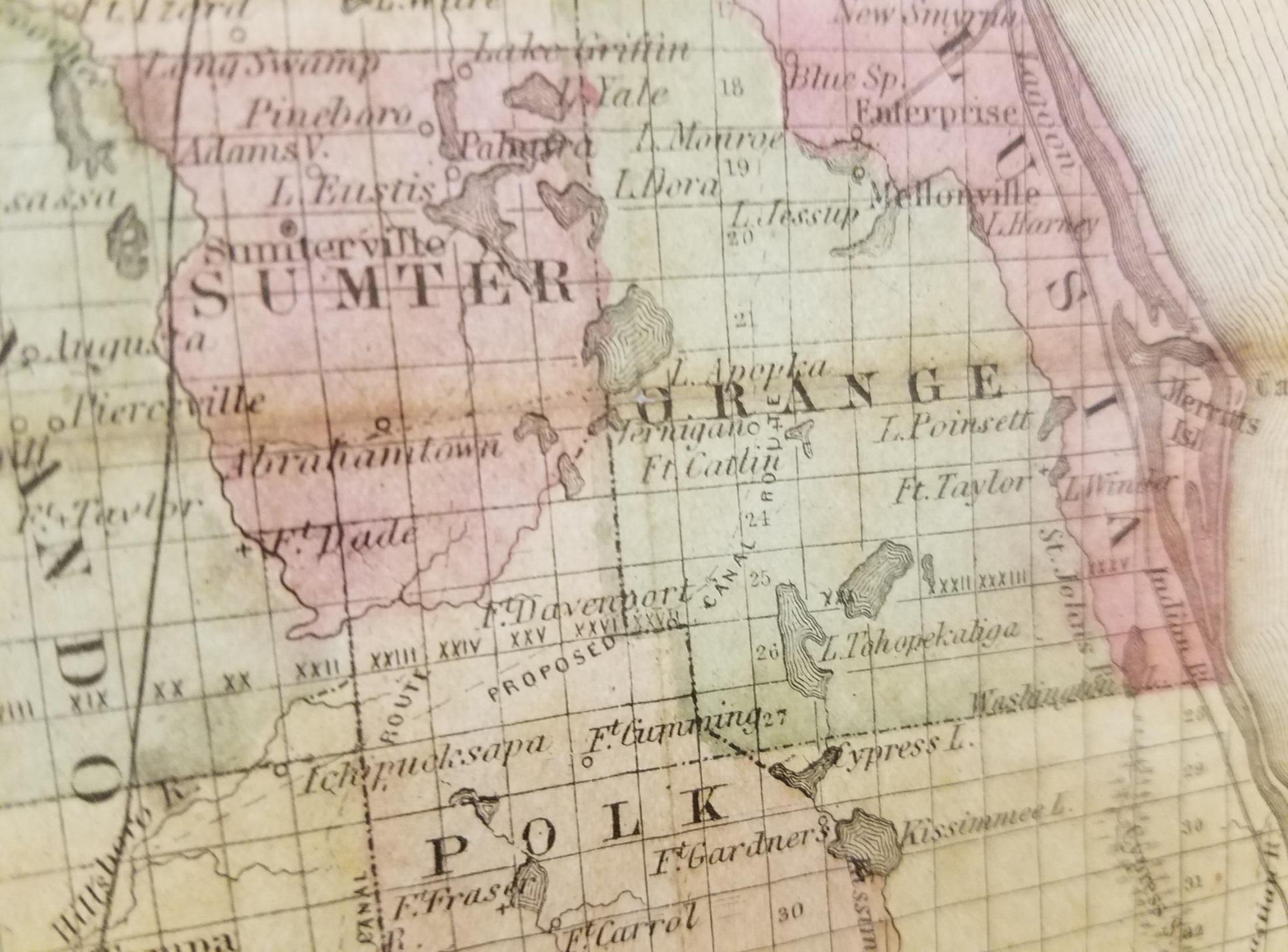
the Governor. Attest:

*Charway Smith* Adjutant and Inspector General  
*James E. Brown* Governor.

STATE OF FLORIDA, } I do swear that I am duly qualified, according to the  
COUNTY OF *Hillsborough* } Constitution of this State, to exercise the office of *Captain*  
*of Florida Volunteers* to which I have been *Elected*  
and will, to the best of my abilities, discharge the duties thereof, and preserve, protect and defend the  
Constitution of this State and of the United States.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of *March*, A. D. 1856.

*Aaron Jernigan*



**S U M T E R**

**G R A F T O N**

**P O L K**

Lang Swamp

Lake Griffin

New Smyrna

Pinebaro

Yale

Blue Sp. Enterprise

Adams V.

Palm Bay

L. Monroe

L. Eustis

L. Nora

L. Jessup

Mellonville

L. Harney

Sumterville

Augusta

L. Apopka

Pierreville

Jernigano

L. Poinsett

Abrahams town

Ft. Catlin

Ft. Taylor

Ft. Taylor

Ft. Dade

L. Winder

Ft. Davenport

L. Tohopekaliga

D

XXII XXIII XXIV XXV XXVI XXVII XXVIII

PROPOSED ROUTE

Ft. Cumming

Ichipuchsapa

Cypress L.

Ft. Fraser

Ft. Gardner

Kissimmee L.

Ft. Carrol

W. ...

CANAL

MISSISSIPPI

St. Johns R.

Indian R.

Washington R.

Cypress R.

W. ...

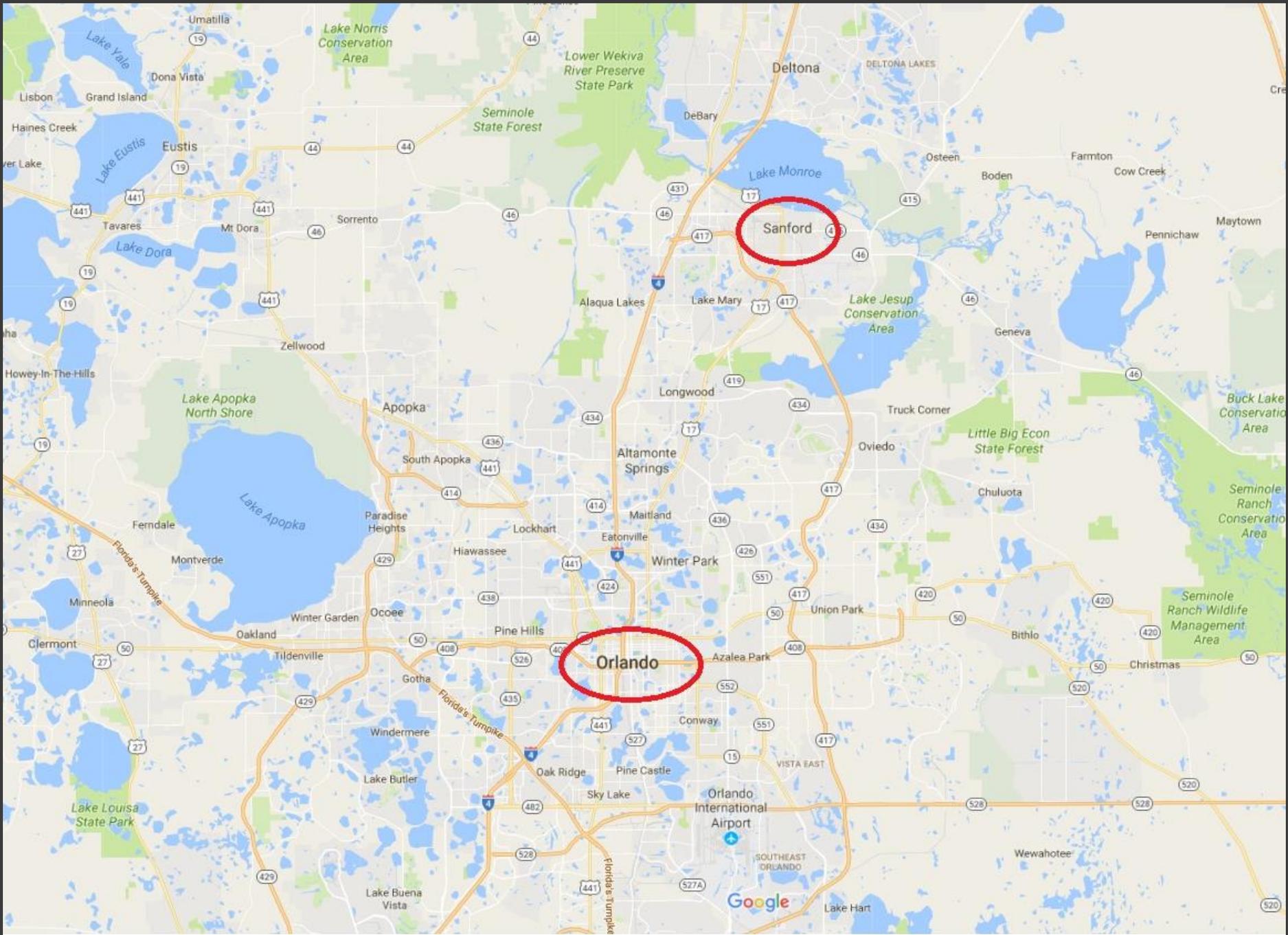
# The “Battle” of the 1875 Courthouse



**General Henry S. Sanford**



**Jacob Summerlin**



Sanford

Orlando

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"Keep the courthouse in Orlando where residents voted to have it, and I'll loan the county \$10,000 to build a new courthouse. If the county can pay me back, that's fine; if not, that's OK, too."

- Jacob Summerlin



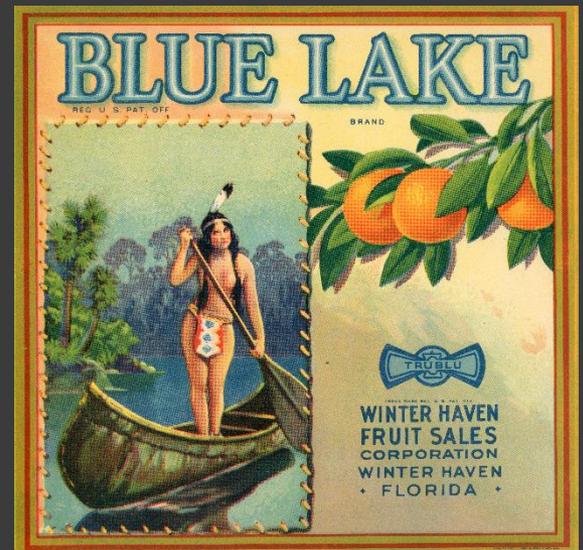
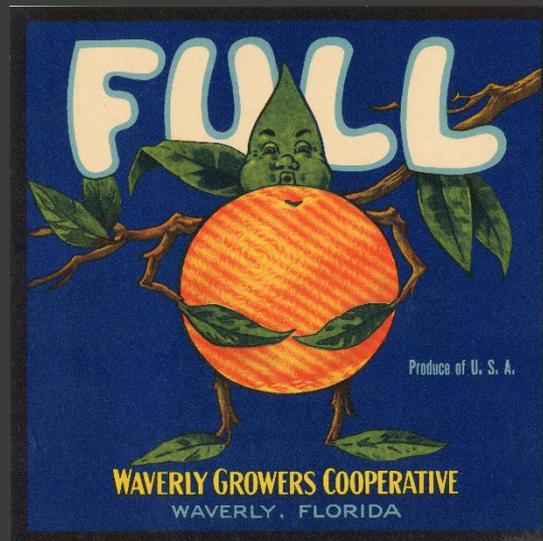
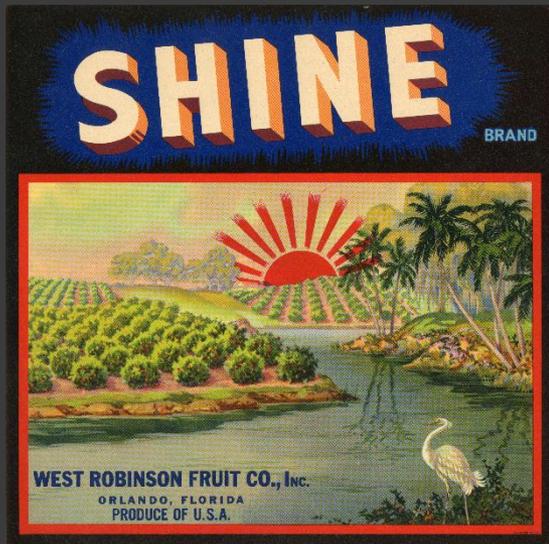


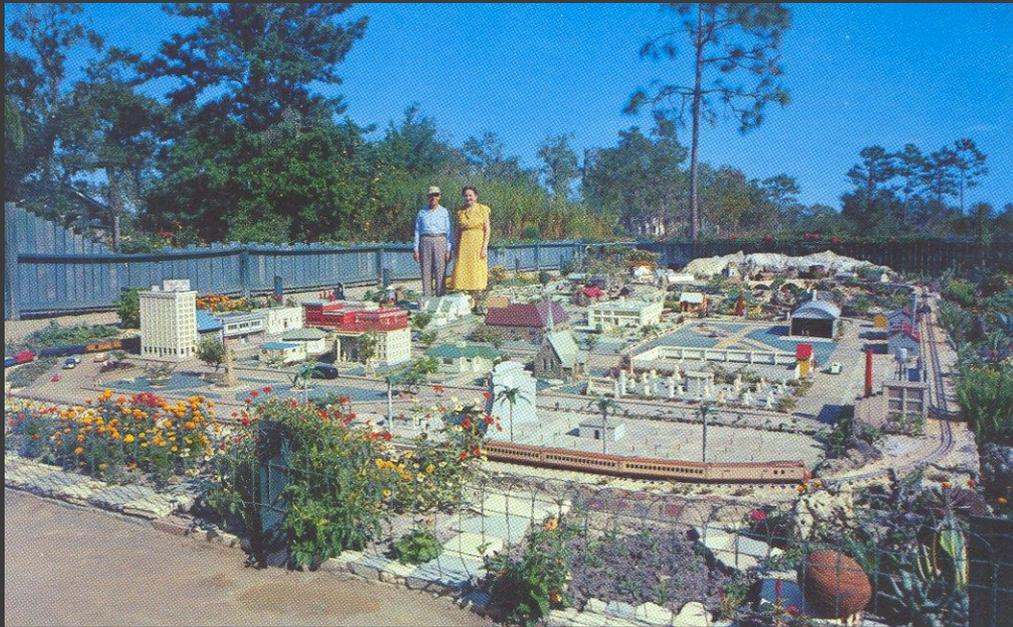


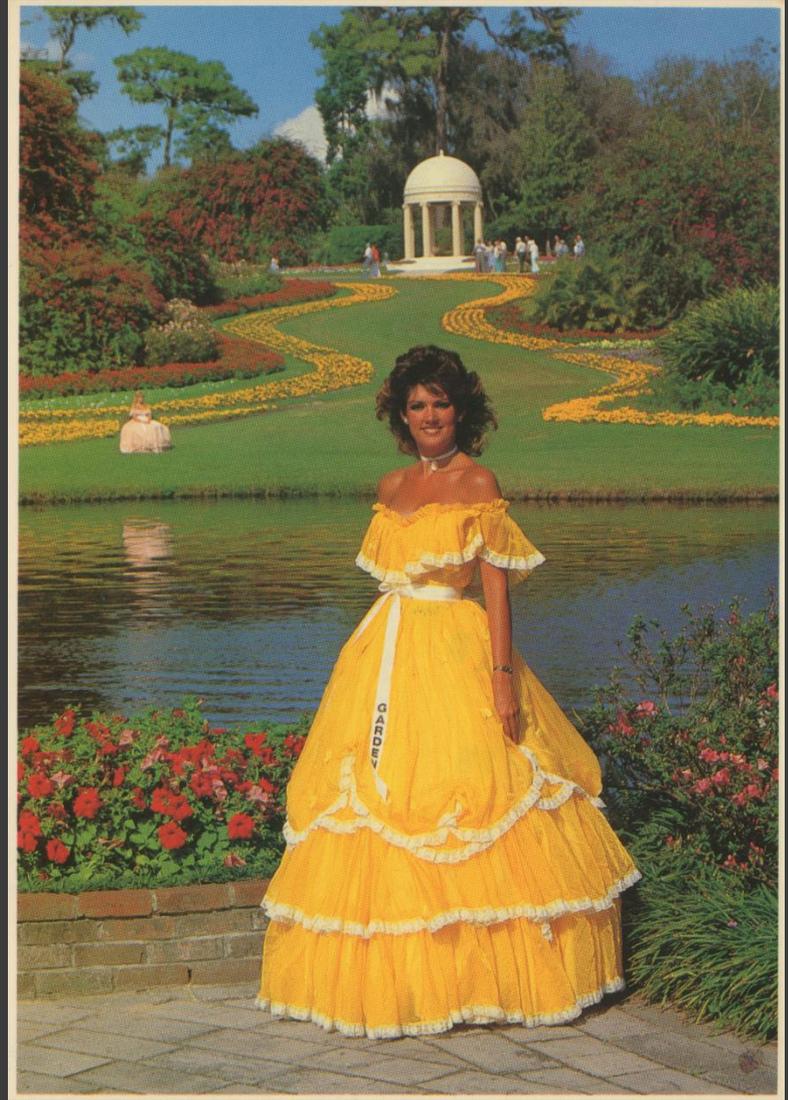
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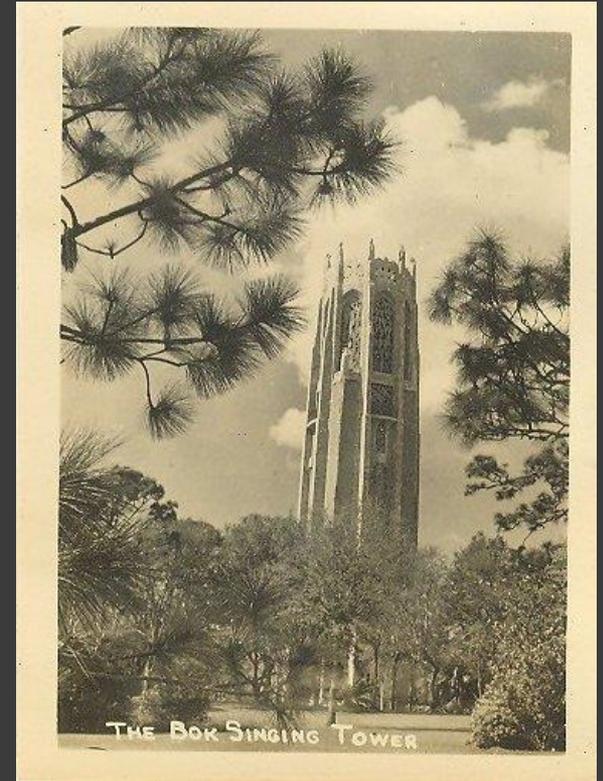












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