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1908 12 12 1 5 Death of William Mahoney. The death of Mr. William Mahoney, which occurred Sunday night at 10:30, removed one of the oldest men in this section. Had he lived until next March he would have been 87 years of age. He was born in Washington, but lived many years in Virginia. He came to this state about twenty-five years ago and located at Melrose, which was his home till four years ago when he moved to Sanford. Mr. Mahoney was in the United States navy for a number of years, as lieutenant, from 1848 to 1860, making several cruises in the frigate John Adams and the man of war Pennsylvania, then the largest war ship afloat. The civil war found him in foreign ports, but on the ship arriving at Baltimore he, with others, left the ship and made their way to Virginia, attaching themselves to the Confederate cause.

The wife passed away just four months ago and it was noticed that life never seemed the same to him after her going away. He was not strong and his relatives and friends knew it could not be long before he would follow her to the other home. The funeral service was conducted at the home of the family residence Monday afternoon conducted by Father Fox, of the Catholic church, of which church deceased was a devout member. Father Fox spoke in the highest terms of the deceased, saying that he was a man of great faith, trusted in the Savior and exemplified in his life the beautiful traits of a Christian character.

The body was taken to Melrose on Tuesday and laid to rest by the side of his faithful companion. His niece and nephew Miss Ellen and Mr. Andrew Mahoney, accompanied the body.

1908 12 19 20 Christmas Special edition. Churches: Mass Christmas Day: Low Mass 6 a.m., Low Mass 7 a.m., High Mass and Sermon 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 27, Mass and Sermon 10 a.m. (Did not list name of priest.)

1909 2 20 11 1 Catholic. Rev. M. Fox, rector; services every second and fourth Sunday; early mass, 7 a.m.; mass and sermon, 10 a.m.; Sunday school, 9 a.m.; vespers, 3 p.m. Ash Wednesday, the 24th inst., services will be held in the Catholic Church at 3 p.m. All are welcome.

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Microfilm missing August 14, 1909 through August 19, 1910

1910 9 2 1 4 Pilau in Cameron City. One of the most enjoyable affairs of the season was the pilau given by several of the young men to their young lady friends at Howard Park near Cameron City.

The party gathered at the car line about 7:30 and a jolly crowd it was, composed of the belles and beaus of the city, chaperoned by the best of chaperons [sic] Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Abernathy. Arriving at Cameron City they walked a short distance to the park, which is an ideal spot for just this kind of party.

Several of the young men “got busy” with the chickens and rice and in a remarkably short time they were summoned to a sumptuous feast spread on the ground, and which was declared by all to have been beyond criticism, thanks to Eugene Roumillat, who was the chef of the occasion, but Gene says, “never again.” After the supper the party repaired to the pavilion where dancing was indulged in until the last car for Sanford which came all too soon, so they declared. The party returned to the city after having spent one of the most pleasant evenings of the season. Mrs. Abernathy had her ankle right badly sprained on the way out, but pluckily concealed the fact from the young people until they arrived at home, where she has been confined to her room since. All wish for her a speedy recovery.

Those who were so fortunate to attend the pillau were:
E. Roumillat with Helen St. Johns, George Lovell with Saidee Williams, Bill Hill with Veeda Ward, Archie Betts with Mabel Hand, Ralph Stephens with Vivian Yeiser, Brax Perkins with
Annie Higgins and Linda Leffler, Ed. Lane with Carrie Lowell, H. Wight, Jr. with Genie Wicker, Albert Brady with Carrie Abernathy.

**Catholic.** Sunday school 9 a.m. Mass and sermon 10 a.m. Rosary, sermon and benediction 7:30 p.m. Next Sunday services will be held in the Catholic church as follows: Sunday school, 9 a.m.; mass and sermon, 10 a.m.; rosary, instruction and benediction, 7:30 p.m. Subject of sermon at 10 o’clock service, “The Eucharist Congress at Montreal.” Monday, mass, 7 a.m. Cathechetical [sic] instructions 9 a.m.

**Catholic Church.** Sunday school 9 a.m., mass and sermon 10 a.m., subject, Christian Combat and Christian Armor. Rosary, sermon and benediction 7:30 p.m., subject The Reason why I am a Catholic. All are cordially invited to these last services of the pastor.

**County Happenings. “Will Have Resident Pastor”**

Last Sunday [October 9, 1911] Father Fox officiated for the last time as pastor of the Catholic church in Sanford. This church he has served continuously for eighteen years, having received his appointment from Bishop Moore in 1892. That period of time witnessed the prosperity and the adversity of the old and the birth of a New Sanford and during it all the pastor stood by his flock. He now leaves regrettfully when the New Sanford is in a vigorous and promising adolescence and when the prospects of his church are brighter than they ever were before. But these improved conditions and increased congregations make changes imperative. Hitherto Sanford was a mission, it will now have a resident pastor and be the centre of a surrounding missionary field. The church will be in its normal condition with pastor and Mass all Sundays and weekdays.

A rectory, to house the new pastor, will be of immediate necessity and there is hope that at no distant time there will be erected a convent and school to aid in the work of keeping New Sanford clean, cultured, and Christian.

The Rev. Patrick J. Bresnahan, until recently of Tallahassee, will succeed Father Fox. He is not unknown to the people of Sanford, having replaced the Pastor five years ago when the latter made a trip to Europe. Father Bresnahan is strong physically, and interested in base ball and other sports. He is, too, strong mentally and morally and will be a decided acquisition to the city in the works of citizenship and civic nature.

Father Bresnahan will take possession of his charge, Sunday, 23rd inst. [October 23, 1910]

**Stories on front page about a hurricane “The Storm at Sanford” but states no serious damage. Could this be the storm damage Father Bresnahan mentions was present when he arrived at All Souls?**

**Catholic Church.** The new pastor of the Catholic church here, Rev. P. J. Bresnahan wishes to announce that the regular services at that church will be as follows: Mass every morning, except Sunday, at 7 o’clock. Sunday mass at 10 a.m. and vespers Sunday evening at 7:30. A sermon will be delivered at each service on Sunday and everybody is invited.

**Christmas Day at the Catholic Church.** Next Sunday, Christmas Day, there will be three masses offered at the Catholic church at the following hours, 7, 8, 10 a.m. At the latter there will be special music under the direction of Mr. J. D. Parker, and in his sermon at that mass Father Bresnahan will tell the history of the first Christmas. There will also be services in the evening at 7:30, consisting of rosary, sermon and benediction, with appropriate Christmas music.

**In Sanford Churches. Catholic.** Catholic. Oak avenue between 8th and 9th streets. Rev. Father Bresnahan in charge. Mass every Sunday at 10 a.m. Rosary, sermon and benediction every Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Sunday school at 9 a.m. Confessions heard Saturday before first Sunday of the month between 4 and 5 p.m. and 7 and 8 p.m. First Sunday of month mass at 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m.

**Catholic Fair.** Beginning at noon Thursday Feb. 23 and ending Saturday evening, Feb. 25 the Catholic ladies of Sanford assisted by their non-Catholic friends will hold a fair in the Bishop Block on First Street.

Dinner and supper will be served each day of the fair. There are some beautiful presents to be given away, as for instance, the beautiful doll now on exhibit in Mr. Yowell’s window and the 56 piece dinner set in the window of the Sanford Furniture Company, the gift of Mr.
Davison.
The fancy work table in charge of Mrs. Rowland, assisted by Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Hunt will doubtless attract a great deal of attention.
Miss Aranka Takach will conduct the country store with the help of Mrs. Antonowsky and Miss Emily Kenner.
Mrs. LaVerne Hurt assisted by Miss Peachea Leffler, will be in charge of the Japanese booth.
Candy of all kinds can be had from the Misses Agnes Shepherd, Agnes Berner and Jessie Milteen.

Mrs. F. E. Roumillat will see that you get your share of cake and ice cream and she will have as her assistants, Mrs. W. H. Hynes and Mrs. J. B. Stryker.

Last but not least, the dinner and supper table presided over by Mrs. Jones, an experienced caterer, will contain many good things such as turkey, chicken, and all kinds of vegetables. Mrs. Leonardy and Mrs. Aycock will assist Mrs. Jones.

No one should miss this fair, the first of its kind that has been held for years.

*Photo Peachea Leffler from Nov. 25, 1910 edition of the Celery City Industrial, p.35; Aranka Takach, ibid., p. 50.

1911 3 3 1 3 **A Card of Thanks From the Catholic Ladies.** Through the ever obliging Herald we take this opportunity to thank those who so generously patronized our fair during the past week. Lucky indeed is Sanford in having so many public spirited, generous, liberal and enlightened citizens.

We netted almost $600, a goodly sum, and in consequence we are installing electric light in our pretty church and we have ordered an altar and an organ.

We beg to remind our Non-Catholic friends that the doors of our church are always open to them, for our God is their God and the old church is their mother.

THE CATHOLIC LADIES

1911 4 7 1 2 **Catholic Church.** Father Bresnahan wishes to announce, for the benefit especially of those who have not been attending the lectures regularly this week, that they will continue at least until Sunday night and perhaps longer if all the questions have not been answered by that time. The subject for Friday night is the **Worship of Images by Catholics**; Saturday night, **Devotion to the Virgin Mary**; Sunday night, **The Secret of Catholicity Progress**.

The services will end Friday night with the solemn Way of the Cross.

Sunday being Palm Sunday, palms will be blessed and distributed at the 10 o’clock Mass. Devotions for Holy Week will begin Thursday morning, April 13.

1911 4 7 10 1 **Lectures at Catholic Church.** Father Bresnohan [sic] is giving a course of lectures this week at the Catholic Church that are interesting and instructive.

He tells you what Catholics believe about Jesus Christ, and what Catholics think of the Bible, why they confess to a priest, why they pray to the Saints, why they pray for the dead, what they believe about Holy Communion, why they pray before images, and so forth. The object of these lectures is not a pecuniary one as all seats are free and you may leave you pocket-book at home, nor is this an attempt to proselytize but rather an appeal to your reason, better sense and fair judgement [sic] as American citizens in behalf of the greatest and oldest church in Christendom, a church that gave the Bible to the world and Christianity to every country where it is found today, a church that was in existence 1500 years before the other churches around you were even thought of, a church that never tolerated slanderous and calumnious attacks on the members of other churches but patiently with those who would make such attacks on her own children, a church whose charity is universal and one from its beginning has given to the suffering and ignorant world self-sacrificing nurses and devoted teachers.

Every one is cordially invited to attend the lectures. Every night including next Sunday night.

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| 1911 | 4 | 28 | 1-2 | | Parochial Residence of Father Bresnahan. The Catholic Church. Among the many changes and improvements that have been made in Sanford during the past six months, by no means the least was raising of the district to the dignity of a Catholic parish. So great was the influx of Catholics to Sanford and neighborhood that a resident priest was found to be absolutely necessary so that the spiritual needs of these Catholics may be attended to. Accordingly towards the end of October 1910 the Rev. P. J. Bresnahan formerly diocesan missionary of the diocese of St. Augustine was sent hither by his bishop to organize a new parish. A Catholic census showed almost 50 Catholic families in town, and a catechism class with an enrollment of about 40 children.

The church is constantly increasing its membership and is now probably the strongest church in the city. The material improvements made have attracted the attention of every citizen. For within four months after the arrival Father Bresnahan found himself in a beautiful parochial residence erected by his enthusiastic congregation at a cost of not less than $2500. A beautiful new altar has been installed also an organ. And now there is talk of the Sisters coming to establish a Catholic school on the other side of the beautiful building block owned by the church in Sanford. |
<p>| 1911 | 5 | 19 | 1 | 3 | Bishop Kenny to be in Sanford. Next Sunday, May 21, the Right Rev. W. J. Kenny D.D. Bishop of the Catholic diocese of St. Augustine will visit Sanford and while here will be the guest of Father Bresnahan at the new parochial residence. It is quite a long time since Bishop Kenny was in Sanford before and still longer since he visited the place first, some thirty years, when as a young priest he counted Sanford among his many missions. Bishop Kenny will confirm a large class at All Soul’s Church on Sunday night. |
| 1911 | 5 | 26 | 1 | 4 | Confirmation at Sanford. The Right Rev. W. J. Kenney [sic] D.D., Bishop of the Catholic diocese of St. Augustine visited Sanford May the twenty first, as the guest of Father Bresnahan the local pastor at the beautiful new parochial residence, erected recently by the resident Catholics, who have spared no expense to make their new pastor as comfortable as possible. On Sunday night Bishop Kenny confirmed a large class composed principally of children but quite a number of adults were noticable [sic] among the candidates. Before the confirmation Bishop Kenny spoke eloquently to the large congregation that was present notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. His explanation of the ceremony was specially lucid and the audience was well repaid for the inconvenience [sic] they suffered in going to the church. |
| 1911 | 6 | 16 | 7 | 2 | Special Services at Catholic Church. Beginning Tuesday night, June 20th a solemn triduim [sic] on three days prayer will be held at the Catholic Church, in preparation for the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to be celebrated Friday June 23. Services every night at 7:30 and every morning at 7 o’clock. A short instruction will be given every night, explanatory of some doctrine believed by Catholics and especially of this devotion fo [sic] the Sacred Heart. |
| 1911 | 9 | 15 | 7 | 3 | WOODLAND PARK NOTES (Excerpts Catholic Church). Last Thursday Father Bresnahan visited the park and enjoyed his bathing so much, that he wants his congregation to enjoy themselves likewise and has leased the park and the launch Mamie for Thursday, September 21st. Tickets including round trip and bathing in the pool will be sold for 25c, giving more for the money than was ever offered before. |
| 1911 | 9 | 29 | 1 | 2 | Catholic Church Services. Beginning next Sunday the winter schedule for services at the Catholic Church will go into effect. Mass will be at 10 A.M. instead of 9 A.M., and it being the first Sunday of the month, there will be a Mass at 7 A.M., Sunday School at 9 A.M., Confession, Saturday afternoon and night. |</p>
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<td>New School Opens. The Sisters of Mercy started their school at Park Ave. and Ninth street last Monday [September 25, 1911]. For the present they accept pupils for the kindergarten and grammar school only, owing to lack of accommodations for high school pupils. A new school building is to be put up on the Catholic Church property in the very near future, and then they will be in a position to receive those seeking opportunity for higher [sic] studies. The pupils now in attendance tax the building they occupy. A number of music pupils as well as some for painting have been enrolled. NOTE: Peter Schaal in, “Sanford as I knew it 1912-1935,” p. 4 states: “April 16, 1912 ... I was a student at St. Anne’s school, 831 Park Avenue* (later the home of Mayor T. L. Dumas)... The school operated in that building from September 25, 1911 to late **1912...” *The 1912 Sanborn map shows the address as 823 Park, the last house on the block. The 1920 R. L. Polk Sanford Directory, p. 58, shows Thomas L. Dumas resides at 823 Park. The 1915 Sanford City Directory indicates that James C. and Mollie A. Roberts resided at 823 Park in 1915. ** The May 10, 1912, Tampa Tribune states: “The convent and home for the Sisters of Mercy ... is so near completion that the sisters ... have moved in, and the children are receiving instruction in the new building...”</td>
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<td>Pretty Christmas Exercises. On Thursday afternoon the children of the school taught by the Sisters of Mercy at their home on Park avenue; gave their interesting and very entertaining exercises; under the direction of the Sisters. A number of the parents and friends of the school, Father Bresnahan and several other invited guests, were present to see and enjoy the exercises with the children, each one of whom, acquitted themselves most creditably, showing very clearly the great care and training by their kind teachers; who have done wonders in the short time they have had the children in their charge. The susceptibility to training and proficiency exhibited by each pupil could not fail to be gratifying to their parents and friends The following program will show how pleasing the exercises were. The decorations were green and red, with several large Christmas bells: With Hearts truly Grateful, solo ........ Margaret Rotundo Chorus, School Address .................................................. F. Takach Joy to the World. Xmas Hymn ................. Margaret Coffee, Adelaid Higgins Christmas Jewels for the King ...........................Owen Higgins Angels we have Heard, Chorus ......................... Bernice Hicks Sing Robin ....................................................... Irma Smith Christmas Chant ..............................................David Fountain Piano Solo, Thoughts of Home ......................... Margaret Rotundo My Vines, Recitation .................................. Josie Frenlo Dear Little One, Chorus, Solo ......................... Mabel Taylor How the Time Goes ........................................ Edna Stiles You Say There is no Santa .............................. Little Ones Santa Claus ..................................................... Mabel Taylor Xmas Family ............................................... Bertha White Xmas Chimes [sic? Chimes] .......................... Mabel Talyor [sic], Ellen Fountain, Ellen Stiles The Moon that Now is Shining ......................... M. E. Houlihan</td>
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<td><strong>Christmas at the Catholic Church.</strong> By a special privilege every priest is allowed to offer three Masses on Christmas day in honor of the threefold birth of Christ: His birth in eternity from the bosom of his father; His birth in time from the womb of his mother and his subsequent births innumerable in regenerated and converted souls. Father Bresnahan will take advantage of this great privilege so there will be mass at 6, 8 and 10 A. M. Christmas. <strong>The children will sing at the 8 o’clock mass</strong> and the last mass at 10 will be a missa cantanta [sic] with special Christmas music. Confessions will be heard Sunday afternoon and night and before the early masses.</td>
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<td><strong>In and About the City.</strong> Right Rev. W. J. Kenny, Bishop of St. Augustine, is the guest of Father Bresnahan this week at the parochial residence. Both will leave for Eustis Saturday to dedicate a new Catholic church in that city on Sunday.</td>
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<td><strong>Holy Week at Catholic Church.</strong> Holy Thursday mass at 7 a.m. Evening services 7:30, sermon on the Holy Eucharist followed by benediction of the blessed sacrament [sic]. Friday [sic] evening at 7:30 Solemn Way to the Cross. The general public are invited to all these services.</td>
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<td><em>Note: stories on front page - Titanic Sinks and Clara Barton dies of pneumonia.</em> <strong>Catholic Fair. April 23 and 24, 1912,</strong> will be days to be remembered in Sanford. The Catholic ladies are preparing for a great fair to be held on those days. Everything good to eat will be served. From a needle to an anchor can be had at the country store. Fancy goods galore can be had for money. Candy to satisfy the sweetest tooth. Do not forget the place, viz, the store next to the First National Bank. There are prizes to be given away, see Theodore Schaal, the new jeweler.</td>
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| 1912 | 4 | 19 | 9 | 2 | **Valuable Prizes to be Given Away.** The ladies in charge of the Catholic fair will begin serving the public Tuesday, April 23rd, at 12 noon sharp. The supper table is in charge of Mesdames Roumillat, J. C. Higgins, Coffee and Rowland. The fancy table will be under the supervision of Mrs. O’Connor, Miss Aranka Takach and Mrs. Schaal. The country store is to be run by Mrs. W. H. Hynes and Mrs. Walsh. Mesdames Dorner, Mauser and Minor will dish out the canby [sic].  
*Photo Aranka Takach, Nov. 25, 1910 edition of the Celery City Industrial, p. 50.* |
| 1912 | 4 | 23 | 1 | 3 | **Catholic Fair Attracting Crowds.** The oil paintings on the fancy table at the Catholic fair are greatly admired by all patrons of that attraction, they are to be given away with other prizes Wednesday night. See the ladies about them. Everything good to eat is served at the supper table. One man, a vertible Epicuriean [sic], declared that he never tasted the like of that “Blooming Flower Cake”. Never was it placed on a Sanford table before. The country store also has its attractions, and it looks as if the home-made candy will not last over Tuesday night. This fair is for a good purpose and every cent you spend there will remain in Sanford. The ladies will appreciate your patronage to enable them to continue the good work of improving our city. |
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Organized Charity. Sanford Will Be Prepared To Handle This Question Systematically

Organized charities for Sanford are an assured fact, if one may judge from the meeting at the Masonic Hall last Sunday afternoon. This meeting was held subject to a call by the executive committee of the **Men and Religion Forward Movement of Sanford**.

Mr. C. R. Walker, chairman of this committee, called the meeting together and upon motion was made the temporary chairman of the afternoon. Prof. N. J. Perkins was made temporary secretary. The roll call showed the presence of the following representatives:

- City Council, B. W. Herndon;
- Methodist church, Rev. C. H. Summers, L. R. Phillips;
- Presbyterian church, not represented;
- Episcopal church, S. O. Chase, Mrs. B. F. Whitner, Jr.;
- Baptist church, Rev. J. W. Wildman, T. S. Davis;
- Congregational church, C. R. Walker, Rev. G. B. Waldron, Mrs. Waldron;
- Catholic church, Ed Rourke, Mrs. LaVerne Hurt, Rev. P. J. Bresnahan;
- Welaka Club, Mrs. L. G. Stringfellow, Mrs. Frank Woodruff;
- Hospital Association, Mrs. T. E. Roumillat, W. T. Field; W.C.T.U., not represented;
- Wednesday Club, Mrs. L. R. Phillips, Mrs. Henry Wight;
- Lend a Hand, Miss Mell Whitner, Miss Madge Ward;
- Masonic Order, not represented;
- Eastern Star, Mrs. J. D. Parker, Mrs. Geo. Fox, Jr., C. F. Haskins;
- Elks, K. R. Murrell, C. F. Haskins;
- Machinists, F. R. Kent, C. H. Smith;
- Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, T. S. Davis;
- Boiler Makers, H. C. McBride;
- Carpenters and Joiners, not represented;
- visitors, F. P. Forster, Henry Wight.

There were thus thirty-six persons present, representing the City Council, five churches and eleven benevolent, social and fraternal organizations of the city. Interest in the movement for organized charities was thus manifested at the very beginning.

In a short address Chairman Walker stated the object of the meeting and asked for a discussion, which was participated in by the following: Messrs. Waldron, Murrell, Singletary, Fields, Whitner, Summers and Mrs. J. D. Parker. The fact was speedily developed that there was practical unanimity that Sanford needs some form of organized charities. The following motion was carried unanimously:

> “Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that we enter into some kind of charity organization for the city of Sanford.”

After a discussion as to ways and means, which was led by Mrs. Wight, it was unanimously voted that the chair be asked to name a committee of five to formulate plans for such an organization, to be presented to a future meeting of this body. This committee as announced later by the chairman consists of the following named persons: Messrs. G. B. Waldron, S. O. Chase, T. S. Davis, C. H. Summers and Mrs. Henry Wight.

R. W. Herndon was elected temporary secretary in place of Prof. Perkins, who is soon to leave the city. The meeting thereupon adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.
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<td>Woodland Park Notes *Note: Excerpt on All Souls. Father Bresnahan has leased the park and pool for next Thursday May 30th to give the children of the Catholic school an outing. The Nettie [river boat] has been chartered for the entire day and it is expected many people will buy tickets at the reduced rate to help the good cause along. Those who took part in the picnic of Sept. 21st, given by Father Bresnahan will remember how well it was ducted and no doubt will come this time and bring their friends.</td>
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<td>Woodland Park Notes. The outing given to the children of the Catholic school last Thursday at Woodland Park was a grand success. A beautiful day and a nice lot of orderly people under the able management of Father Bresnahan, as party of the first part, and Mamie and Nettie for transportation and the only Woodland Park, with its enticing swimming pool and other attractions, as parties of the second part, made and kept their agreement to the full satisfaction of all concerned. The boats brought in six full loads, besides those that came by autos and other vehicles. Mayor and Mrs. Spencer came to see where their boys spent so much time. After a swim in the pool Mr. Spencer decided the boys knew a good thing and will join them hereafter. Three sisters of the school came and were delighted with the beautiful grounds and the clean, healthy amusement provided for the public. It is safe to say everybody wants to come again. People patronized it so well that the expenses were more than repaid.</td>
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<td>Change In Services. Sunday Mass at the Catholic church will be at 9 a.m. instead of 10 a.m. until the first Sunday of October. Two masses as usual on the first Sunday of the month – the first at 7 a.m. And the second at 9 a.m.</td>
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<td>Sanford’s Associated Charities. Associated Charities in Sanford were formally launched at the Star Theatre last Sunday afternoon Mr. C. R. Walker presided as temporary chairman and Mr. B. F. Whitner, Jr., was made temporary secretary. The first business of the day was the report of Rev. George B. Waldron, chairman of the committee on organization … [The constitution] was adopted with two changes … all resident pastors of Sanford churches are made ex-officio members of the board of directors. It was decided to elect the officers for the seven months until next January. Upon nomination of the committee the following were unanimously chosen: OFFICERS - President, C. R. Walker; Vice-President, Prof. N. J. Perkins; Treasurer, B. F. Whitner, Jr. DIRECTORS - Term expires January, 1915: J. C. Higgins, Mrs. Forrest Lake, Mrs. W. H. Hynes, C. R. Walker, S. O. Chase, Mrs. Henry Wight, N. J. Perkins Term expires January, 1914: Mrs. J. W. Wildman, L. R. Philips, H. C. DuBose, Mrs. J. D. Parker, Mrs. D. A. Caldwell, A. E. B. Fatjo, T. S. Davis Term expires January, 1913: Frank R. Kent, W. T. Field, H. R. Stevens, F. P. Forster, W. H. Williams, G. H. Fernald, B. F. Whitner, Jr. EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS - Mayor, G. W. Spencer; City Physician, J. N. Robson, M. D.; County Commissioners: F. R. Woodruff; Rev. Messers: Wildman, Summers, Bresnahan, Waldron. President walker announced a meeting of the new Board of Directors to take place at the Congregational church next Thursday night at 7:30. The Board will then organize, adopt the necessary by-laws and appoint important committees and officers to carry on the work. It is extremely important that there be a full meeting of the Board that night. *Note: Spacing and punctuation altered for space considerations.</td>
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<td>Reception for Father Bresnahan. On Friday evening, June 21, a very beautiful entertainment was given, under direction of Sisters of Mercy, by the children of St. Anne’s school to Rev. Father Bresnahan in the new school hall which was magnificently decorated. Father</td>
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|    |    |     |    | 1   | Bresnahan is leaving Sanford for a time for a visit to his parents across old ocean. The large attendance proves how Father Bresnahan is everywhere esteemed in Sanford. Every number of the charming entertainment was fully appreciated by the audience. The children in their beautiful costumes were all so eager to do well and please their kind pastor, Father and friend. It must have given great pleasure and much consolation to Father Bresnahan [sic] after his arduous labors for church and school in Sanford. The address spoken so well by William Shepherd is worthy of mention. We quote its closing lines:  

> “Adieu and not farewell,  
> Such is the word for us;  
> ’Tis more than word, ’tis prayer.  
> They do not part who do part thus,  
> For God is everywhere.”  

The presentation of a magnificent dress suit case by student Peter Schaal and [penciled in on original] from the children, and an alligator purse with $100 from his devoted congregation closed the entertainment. We wish him God-speed and a safe return to Sanford. |
| 1912 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | Catholic Church Service. The hour fixed for the devotions of the Apostleship of Prayer on next Friday will be at 7:30 p.m. On next Friday will be at 7:30 p.m. On next Sunday, July 7th, there will be two masses; the first at 7 a.m. and the second at 9 a.m. Confessions will be heard on Saturday and Sunday. 

*NOTE: The Apostleship of Prayer began in France in 1844... In time the Pope himself proposed a particular monthly intention and since 1929 a specific mission intention has also been proposed to the faithful for their prayerful attention. 

http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org/history.html |
| 1912 | 7 | 12 | 3 | 1 | Summer School. At the Sisters of Mercy, Oak Avenue and 8th street. Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 to 11:30 a.m. School for Working Boys, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 7 to 8:30 p.m.; fifty cents per week. |
| 1912 | 7 | 30 | 1 | 1 | Good Work of Charity Ass’n. The Associated Charities, although of recent organization and not yet perfectly equipped, was probably instrumental in stemming the tide and changing the current of events in the life of an almost mentally defective and helpless girl last week. An orphan, and seemingly left without relatives, friends or protection of any kind, she had been aimlessly drifting around and was found recently really sick in the depot. Her case was reported to Mrs. J. C. McDaniel, the general secretary of the Associated Charities, who immediately made investigation, and, sending for the city physician, had the young girl removed to a lodging house, where she was taken care of and given all the necessary medical attention. When she recovered she was supplied with the clothing that she needed and a good home with a kind elderly couple was found where everything would probably have gone well and the waif would have found a haven of rest. But alas, the unfortunate and undisciplined creature was simply incorrigible. She would not, or could not, for lack of mental ability or from moral perversity, pay any attention or try to do anything she was requested to do in her new home. The old people reported to the Associated Charities that they were now too old to undertake to train their wayward charge. 

It was found out in some way that the girl’s mother had been a member of the Catholic church, and she was taken to the Sisters of Mercy, who willingly received her. One of the Sistres [sic] intended leaving Tuesday for New York City, and it was decided to send their charge with her, if the money for the trip and suitable clothing could be procured for her. The case was laid before a warm hearted generous lady, who is a Catholic, and she subscribed half of the money for the trip and fitted her out with clothing, with the assistance of the Associated Charities, which also furnished the remainder of the money needed for the trip. 

The girl left Tuesday with the Sister of Mercy, who will either place her in a parochial school or convent in New York where the current of her life will be broadened, deepened and guided by wisdom and love into safer channels. |
| 1912 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 2 | Two New Takach Boys. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Takach and Mr. and Mrs. Gaza Takach are the proud possessors of new boys, both born yesterday. |
Two Sanford Pioneers Dead. Mr. and Mrs. Burge Died Within a Few Days of Each Other.

In these days of divorce, scandals and domestic upheavals it is a pleasure to see [sic] an old couple journey through life and neither trials nor poverty could diminish their love and devotedness; even the grave only seemed not to separate but to unite them eternally. Mr. Burge was buried on Friday and his broken-hearted, ever faithful, loving wife was laid to rest in a grave beside him on the following Wednesday.

Jacob Burge was born in Switzerland and for some years worked as Florist and gardener in the north, coming to Sanford some thirty odd years ago and was employed in the same capacity by Mr. Jas. E. Ingraham, in whose employment he remained until he went to live in the little grove where he died. His faithful, devoted wife was born in Ireland and was also in the employment of Mr. Ingraham, and like her husband was regarded by her employer as a faithful, conscientious employee.

For many years the old couple was known by every one in Sanford and was respected by everybody, regardless of class or creed. They worked their little grove, and even after the freeze they continued to raise sufficient for their frugal wants.

Mr. Burge, who had reached the patriarchal age of eighty-three enjoyed good health until a few days before his death. He quickly realized that his time had come and fortified by all the consolations of his holy religion he quietly breathed his last Sept. 12th and was buried the following day in the cemetery of which he was caretaker so many years.

The friends who stood by his grave remarked that his devoted wife would not survive him long, seeing that they had been so devoted to each other all through life, but on one realized that in less than a week, before the flowers on his grave were withered she would be resting buried beside him. Neither medical skill, nor the exquisite kindness of the devoted ladies who took care of her and who sympathized with her in her sorrow could realize that there was no earthly remedy for that poor, broken heart. Father Tyrrell made touching remarks at her funeral.

Her devotedness to her husband is a proof that it is religion and religion alone and not legal enactments that will preserve the sanctity of home in adversity as well as in prosperity.

*NOTE: Could he be filling in for Father Bresnahan who left in June for Ireland? Father Tyrrell is identified in “Seeing Florida With a Priest,” p. 82 as “Father Tyrell, S.J. [a Jesuit from St. Petersburg], one of Florida’s best known missionaries.”

Catholic Service. Next Sunday being the Feast of the Immaculate Conception there will be two masses at the Catholic Church at 7 and 10 am. The Te Deum in preparation for the feast began Thursday night.

Christmas Services at Catholic Church. Masses at 6, 8, and 10 a.m. Evening services at 7:30, Dec. 25th. Special Christmas music at all the services. The children’s choir will sing at 8 and 10 o’clock masses. Masses and benediction will be at the usual hours on Sunday.

Christmas Entertainment. A large and interested attendance of parents, friends and visitors enjoyed the very pretty and well rendered Christmas entertainment of the children of the Sanford Catholic school by the Sisters of Mercy which was given Monday evening in their splendid new school building on Oak avenue. The room and stage was beautifully decorated with bright Christmas bells and green vines.

The appropriate Christmas selections and program was splendidly given, each one sustaining their parts more creditably, demonstrating the great care and attention bestowed upon them by the kind sisters in charge of the school, as well as the individual talents of the pupils.

The following program will give some idea of the interesting entertainment:

Mother Stanislaus presided at the piano and had the program directly in charge.

“With Hearts Truly Grateful,” by Chorus.

Solo, James [crossed through in pencil and written in “Peter”] Schaal
Recitation, Owen Higgins.
Xmas Chant, Little Ones.
Recitation, Merton Aycocke.
Recitation, “Sleep Holy Babe” Josie Fseulo.
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| 1913 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 2-4 | **Annual Meeting Associated Charities.** The annual meeting of the Associated Charities will be held in the Library, Thursday evening January 16th, at 7:30 o’clock. Annual election of officers will be held. All members of the Association and those interested are expected to be present. The following committees are called for: Executive and Advisory Committee, Chairman J. O. Chase, Vice-Chairman F. P. Forster, Rev. G. B. Waldron, **Rev. P. J. Bresnahan**, Rev. J. W. Wildman, Geor. H. Fernald, Mrs. J. W. Wildman, Mrs. Henry Wight. Membership Committee, Chairman C. H. Leffler, E. B. Rourke, H. C. DuBose, Mrs. R. L. *requested to attend and reports will be Peck, Mrs. W. W. Abernathy. Finance Committee, Chairman B. F. Whitner, Jr., D. L. Thrasher, W. A. Leffler, Rev. J. D. Langley, Mrs. W. H. Hynes. Other ministers of the city are requested to become members of the Executive and Advisory Committee. Mrs. J. C. McDaniel, Secy. *Appears to be out of order*

| 1913 | 1 | 17 | 5 | 1 | **Rev. P. J. Bresnahan of Sanford, who has been here visiting Rev. Michael Fox, for the past few days, and looking after his work during illness, returned home this morning. He reports Rev. Fox improving, and thinks he will be out [sic?] in a couple of weeks. –Reporter [Orlando]

| 1913 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | **Special Services at Catholic Church.** Lent this year begins on Feb. 5th, Ash Wednesday. On that day Mass will be at 7 a.m. and immediately before the Mass the **Blessed Ashes will be distributed.** Every Friday evening at 7:30 during the season of penance Catholics are expected to take part in the devotions of the **Way of the Cross at the church.** Others are welcome to attend. The Sunday services will be at the usual hours.

| 1913 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 1-2 | **Mrs. Roumillat Entertained.** Mrs. J. H. Roumillat was hostess at a delightful and very pretty Auction Bridge party Thursday afternoon last.

The rooms were beautifully decorated with green vines, asparagus ferns, palms and ferns. The pretty color motif was white and yellow, accentuated by the rich verdure of the glossy green vines, the fragrance of lovely Meachal roses and the exquisite tones of beautiful pansies.

The hall was a perfect bower of green vines, ferns and palms forming a rich background to the punch bowl and table, the white cover of which was festooned with vines and ornamented with pansies.

Seven tables of bridge were played. The highest score was made by Mrs. R. H. Marks, who won the prize, a lovely hand painted plate. The consolation prize, a pair of black silk hose was cut for and won by Mrs. Gertrude Keely. The favors were bunches of beautiful pansies.

The punch bowl was presided over by Miss Veda Ward, who dispensed the refreshing...
beverage during the afternoon. When the games of cards were concluded the refreshments were served in the dining room, which was decorated with vines, asparagus fern and a profusion of pansies. On the table was a handsome Battenberg cover over yellow. The centerpiece was a basket of pansies on a reflector, embanked with asparagus fern and pansies. Mrs. J. W. Dickins poured the coffee. The hostess was assisted by Mrs. F. W. Miller, Mrs. B. J. Starling, Mrs. C. G. Butt, Misses Veda Ward, Elizabeth McLaughlin and Mabel Bowler, in serving chicken salad, beaten biscuit, pimento sandwiches, olives and coffee, which was followed by orange ice in orange baskets, the handles of which were dainty white ribbon bows, and cake on which the color scheme of while and yellow and green was beautifully carried out.

Mrs. Roumillat’s invited guests were Mrs. A. W. Brown, Mrs. T. E. Wilson, Mrs. F. L. Miller, Mrs. F. J. Gonzales, Mrs. G. A. Speer, Mrs. Robert Newman, Mrs. Samuel Puleston, Mrs. R. M. Marks, Mrs. C. G. Butt, Mrs. G. Keely, Mrs. W. D. Holden, Mrs. Forrest Lake, Mrs. C. M. Vorce, Mrs. B. W. Herndon, Mrs. G. F. Smith, Mrs. C. O. McLaughlin, Mrs. O. W. Brady, Mrs. G. A. DeCottes, Mrs. R. J. Holly, Mrs. E. B. Brown, Mrs. J. W. Dickins, Mrs. M. Symes, Mrs. B. A. Howard, Mrs. Kent Rossetter, Mrs. Dean Turner, Mrs. May Dickins, Mrs. J. L. Hurt, Misses Veda Ward, Elizabeth McLaughlin, Mabel Bowler. The following guests joined the party later: Mrs. E. T. Woodruff, Mrs. F. W. Miller, Mrs. B. J. Starling, Mrs. Pugh, Mrs. T. J. Miller, Mrs. J. C. McDaniel, Mrs. M. E. Jones, Mrs. A. B. Wallace, Mrs. and Miss Mahoney, Mrs. M. L. Strong. Mrs. S. O. Shinholser, Miss E. Phillips, Mrs. J. D. Davison, Mrs. C. R. Roysen.

*Photograph Miss Babel Bowler – Nov. 25, 1910 edition of the Celery City Industrial, p. 34. Source 13.2 digital file only.

1913 3 25 Went up in the Aeroplane. Ralph Wight spent last Sunday at Daytona Beach, and being invited to take a flight in the aeroplane that is making daily flights over there accepted and now holds the record as being the first Sanford man to go up in an aeroplane. Several of our citizens have “gone up in the air” on various occasions but none of them have as yet tried the aeroplane. The pilot of the aeroplane is a most charming lady, which accounts for the avidity with which the Sanford boy accepted the invitation to go up aloft. Ralph states that the flight was a most delightful sensation but the sharp sea air brought the tears to his eyes, although the thoughts of home and mother may have had something to do with the lachrymos part of the flight.

1913 4 18 Catholic Church Notice. On Sunday, April 13th, Father Barry of Palatka will take Father Bresnahan’s place here in Sanford. There will be two masses Sunday morning at 7 and 10. Evening services at 7:30. The visiting Father will hear confessions Saturday afternoon and night. Father Bresnahan will officiate at Palatka.