
Boy Scouts of America, Jacksonville Council.—The Boy Scout movement in Jacksonville was started in 1911 with the organization of three troops of about 20 boys each; but it was not until February 5, 1920, when the Jacksonville Council was formed and became directly affiliated with the National organization, that the movement was firmly established. In 1924 the local council was composed of 32 troops, totalling 1,289 Scouts. The Scout oath is: “On my honor I will do my best: To do my duty to God and my Country, and to obey the Scout law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight”.

Children's Home Society of Florida.—Founded by Rev. D. W. Comstock, a retired Congregational minister of Chicago. Organized and incorporated as a non-sectarian charity November 2, 1902. The first officers: Rev. W. E. Boggs, president; Dr. R. H. Dean and D. U. Fletcher, vice-presidents; C. H. Smith, secretary; W. H. Baker and W. J. Bryan, counsellors, all of Jacksonville. First Receiving Home was opened at No. 2029 Main Street in January, 1910, in a building donated free of rent for two years by Frank Cary-Elwes. Known as “Florida’s Greatest Charity” it has grown to be the largest of its kind in the South and the third in the United States under the splendid management of Marcus C. Fagg.

Civitan Club of Jacksonville.—Chartered December 15, 1920, with 50 charter members and installed the same date by Kenneth F. Smith, field representative of the International Association. Charter officers: Alfred C. Ulmer, president; Stockton Broome, vice-president; George H. Ford, treasurer; Lyman P. Prior, secretary. The club’s motto is, “Builders of Good Citizenship”.

Daughters of the American Revolution, Jacksonville Chapter.—Through the efforts of Mrs. John G. Christopher the members of the National D. A. R. residing in Jacksonville were brought together at a meeting held April 2, 1895, when the local organization was formed with 13 members. They applied for a charter and it was granted February 14, 1896.