

Report of the Educational Committee of the
Delfian Department of the Sanford Woman's
Club on School Lunches.

On the morning of June 24 - the members
of the Delfian Dept. of Woman's Club, were
called together by the Chairman at the
Club House, to consider the feasibility
of introducing hot lunches into the
Sanford schools. There followed a
half-dozen similar meetings, and
then open and advertised meetings
for the public. At one of these
Mrs. Eva Layton, Health Officer for Orange
County was present, and gave valuable
information from her experience ^{as to}
the benefits of the hot midday lunch
for growing children. It was
finally decided to undertake the
~~work~~ establishing of these lunches in

Sanford, and the matter was left
with the Educational Com. of the M. & P. D. P.
to consider ways and means.

Investigations of the lunch rooms at
the Blaids and Water Garden schools
and conferences with the Superintendent
of Public Inst. and the trustees of the
Board of Education, revealed the fact
that there was no possible corner in
any school house in Sanford, ~~adjoining~~
that could be given up for this
purpose. Nothing daunted, the
committee decided a place must be
provided and equipped. The very
creditable addition to the Grammar
School is the result. It is not what
the committee would have been happy
to present for the purpose, but all
things considered, it is ~~very~~ well
satisfied with the new lunch building.

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The ways and means employed
for this result are best set forth by the
~~of~~ ^{the} ~~Massachusetts~~ report for the Texas Fund.

The first step toward raising funds
for this ~~effort~~ ^{work} was by a systematic ^{house to house} canvass for the
city and county. This canvass is not
completed, mainly owing to the absence from
town of so many persons. amount - \$303,

However before any plea for money was
made, a generous publicity campaign
was put on, in which the Sanford
World gave invaluable assistance -
~~helped not~~ ^{to help} to ~~the~~ ^{it} by printing articles
submitted by the committee, and ^{to} with editorials of appreciation and
information. During the ten days

preceding the second effort to raise
money, known as the famous Society
Meeting, the World gave daily generous

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space to the west, and entered into
the plans with my helpful enthusiasm.
Madding netted \$62.12 and an equal
amount of fun.

Contributions and appreciation have come
from The Rotary Club which donated \$29.00
and \$300. with the following letter came
from the school authorities.

The Chamber of Commerce has not yet
been solicited for a contribution, but
the following letter was appreciated.

The dance at the Valley, organized
in part by a member of the Chamber of
Commerce, netted the sum - \$140.12.

Considering that all these events ~~were~~
took place during the summer season
when there is no one in town, you know
those responsible for them feel justly
pleased with the financial returns, and
quite satisfied with the social success of

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the undertaking.

May I explain that we all realize that we went ahead of the official recognition of the ^{present} Welfare Dept. since its capable chairman is only now coming into official cognizance of her position — and we all shared her forehandedness. But if the Committee now to be served this winter, there was no other recourse.

This undertaking on behalf of our young people cannot be left to the Educational Com. or the Welfare Dept. if it is to be a success. This Club must take it upon its heart and hands and help to bring up the infant. Nor can the club ^{ever} make of it the success it ought to become. Only the very hearty cooperation of the parents

of the pupils and the sympathy of the
future community can bring the effort to
its full usefulness. This, we hope, is only
the beginning of larger things, for hot lunches
should be available for all the pupils
in all the schools.

Miss Virginia Smith has been engaged as
Supervisor, and she will have as her
immediate counsellors Mrs. Daugley, Mrs.
More and Mrs. [unclear] as the lunch
committee. Miss Smith has spent
several days in Orlando visiting or rather
spending the day, at the school buildings,
know when lunches are served. The committee
has also been present at the services in
Orlando. Miss Miller, principal of the Gram. Sch.,
is co-operating with enthusiasm with the com.
She has made school lunches a special
study during the summer, and her assistance
and that of her corps of trackers, will leave nothing
to be desired we feel confident.
Lunches served next week -