

Homestead, Florida.  
October 20, 1930.

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners,  
of Monroe County,

Key West, Florida.

Gentlemen:

Last August, at the request of one of your members, Mr. J. D. Redd, one of the County Commissioners of Dade County, Florida, asked me to make a trip with him over the Ingraham Highway in Monroe County and inspect a portion of the road and two bridges that were reported as being in need of repairs. I made this inspection and herewith submit to you the following proposal:

I hereby agree to repair the above mentioned stretch of the Ingraham Highway starting at the Dade-Monroe County line and running southwesterly to Florida Bay, a distance of approximately eight miles, for \$600.00 per mile. This repair work will consist of clearing the road and grading same with a four-wheel grader and rolling with a light road roller to a width of 16 feet, where the fill is wide enough to allow the road to be graded to this width, and most of this stretch of road is at least this wide except in a few places where a narrower fill has been thrown up across some ponds.

I hereby agree to rebuild the two bridges above mentioned, one of which is located about one mile southwest of the Dade-Monroe County line on the Ingraham Highway, and the other is located on the same Highway about five miles southwest of said County line. Both bridges will be 36 feet long and 16 feet wide. I will put two sets of piling, Dade County pine, four in a set and not less than nine inches in diameter at the large end, X-braces on each set of piling under each bridge and piling will be set on the rock. Cap sills will be 8 X 10, 16 feet long; mud sills 8 X 10, 16 feet long; sills for decking 3 X 6, 12 feet long, under each bridge. Decking will be 3 X 6. Will put 5/8 inch drift pins 18 inches long thru cap-sill in each piling. All lumber will be Dade County pine. Will put bannisters on each side of bridges and bridges will be levelled and in line with the road and the work will be done in a first-class workmanship manner. The cost of the construction of the two bridges above mentioned is to be \$500.00 each. Work on the road and bridges can be started within three days after I am awarded contract and the work will be pushed as fast as possible. If the contract is awarded to me it is understood and agreed that you shall make payment for the work done at least once a month and that work completed in one month shall be paid for not later than the 10th of the following month.

Should I be awarded the contract I will start at once rebuilding the first bridge, which would be completed before the first month has expired, and then it would be necessary for me to work the road between the bridges in order to get the materials to the second bridge so it could be built.

I trust I may be favored with a prompt reply as I am situated now so I could start this work promptly if the contract is awarded me without delay.

Respectfully submitted,

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