

# WARD DAIRY SOLD FOR HALF MILLION

## Seperate Purchases Bring Over \$800,000; Dodd Negotiates \$½ Million Deal

Carroll Ward, Jr., of the Lakemont Dairy, announced this week sale of his 388 acres of Lakemont Dairy property to Coastline Properties of Miami, for \$519,780. The property is situated just south of the Showalter Airpark and east of Kenilworth.

Also sold to Coastline Properties was 310 acres in the same area, by Carroll Ward, Sr., for a sum well over \$300,000.

**B. C. Dodd, Seminole County Commissioner and pioneer resident, told The Sun Monday evening he was negotiating with Joe Williams, of Radel Associates of Orlando and Miami, for a \$525,000 sale of 430 acres of his property situated between the Goldenrod Road and Lake Howell Road. The property in question adjoins the new Winter Park Estates subdivision now under construction east of the city limits. Mr. Dodd intimated it would be approximately six months before final negotiations were completed.**

With the announcement two weeks ago of the sale of the Goldenrod Corporation to Stanley Beske and Associates, the above transactions bring to well over 2,000 acres of land east and north of Winter Park slated for development within the next few years. The Goldenrod Corporation sale of 500 acres was handled through The Winter Park Land Company by Raymond Mensing.

According to an interview with Carroll Ward, Jr., Coastline has made a substantial payment on the Lakemont Dairy property, with a contract to complete the purchase anytime before February, 1958. He will be given a year following closing of the contract to move his herd of 230 prize Guernsey cattle to his new dairy location purchased last week, a 400-acre tract of uncleared land three and a half miles south of Oviedo, bought for \$84,000.

Carroll Ward, Sr., said contract for his 310 acres would be completed this week end.

New dairy site for Carroll Ward, Jr., which lies partly in the Slayia drainage district, is all raw land and will have to be completely cleared before his herd could be moved from the Lakemont area. Mr. Ward said Monday in an interview it would be probably two years before the final move was completed. The new dairy will be located five and a half miles east of the Goldenrod Store, and west of the highway leading from Oviedo to Highway 50.

Ward's Dairy, one of the oldest in the state, was started back in 1903 by C. Fred Ward, grandfather of Carroll Ward, Jr., who still makes his home on the Ward homestead on Phelps Avenue.

In 1921 C. Fred Ward's son, Carroll Ward, took over the business and when Carroll Ward, Jr., entered into business with his father, he became an equal partner. The partnership continued until 1952, when the property was divided, each taking his share.

The Wards, father and son, have made their fine Guernsey strain famous all over the United States, and have won prizes in exhibitions throughout the country. Their Guernsey-produced milk has made quality and quantity records that still stand in cattle history.

In November of 1956 they exhibited their grand champion Guernsey bull at the Northeastern Fair held in Jacksonville, and at the recent state fair in Tampa, were the third high-money winners in all breeds, as well as taking seven blue ribbon firsts.