- 8. David Jackson Durrance, born Feb. 29, 1876; married Missouri Crews.
- 9. George Washington Durrance, born Nov. 12, 1877 or Dec. 5, 1878; married Susan Mahon.
- 10. Doctor Durrance, born Oct. 15, 1879 or Nov. 3, 1880; married Effie Collier.
- 11. Martha Serena Durrance, born Jan. 15, 1885; married Ceylon Joseph Carlton.

U. R. Durrance and family resided in that portion of Hillsborough County which was formed into Polk County in 1861. Polk County's 1861

tax list shows Uriah R. Durrance as a local taxpayer.

During the Civil War, U. R. Durrance enlisted in Company E of the 7th Florida Infantry on April 10, 1862. This company was made up of men from southwest Florida and was popularly known as the South Florida Bulldogs. It became part of the Confederate Army of Tennessee and served in the western theatre of the war.

In 1867-68, U. R. Durrance constructed the first Polk County jail. The building was about sixteen feet square, two stories high, and was built of hewn timbers laid on top of one another, at a total cost of

\$1600.

The Durrance family resided in Polk County until January 1885 when they moved to Manatee (now DeSoto) County. Martha Jane (Hancock) Durrance died Sept. 1, 1885 and was buried in the Mt. Olive Cemetery

near Bradley Junction in Polk County.
On Mar. 16, 1888 in DeSoto County, Uriah Raiford Durrance was married to Lougenia "Lucy" (DeVane) Townsend. She was born Apr. 25, 1865 and was the former wife of Andrew J. Townsend whom she had married in Hillsborough County, Apr. 1, 1883. U. R. and Lucy (DeVane) Durrance had the following children:

- 12. Francis Marion Durrance, born Dec. 10, 1888; married Caroline Padgett.
- 13. Thomas Jefferson Durrance, born Feb. 16, 1891; died Jan. 17, 1917; married Edna Collier.
- 14. Raiford Manuel Durrance, born July 15, 1893; died 1972; married Susie Tyson.
- 15. Eula Lee Durrance, born Nov. 13, 1894; died Apr. 19, 1969; married John B. Storman.
- 16. Ruby Virginia Durrance, born July 7, 1898; died Sept. 27, 1930; married Joseph H. Tripp.

In December 1898, U. R. Durrance, then residing in Crewsville, DeSoto County, applied for a veteran's pension for his service in the Seminole War. The pension was denied because the law then in existence only applied to service from 1832-42. In the application, Mr. Durrance gave his occupation as farmer.

On Dec. 6, 1900, U. R. Durrance left DeSoto County and moved to the community of Basinger, located on the eastern side of the Kissimmee River in Osceola County. During this period Mr. Durrance was actively

involved in the cattle business.