

# Fairhope Single Tax Corporation Archives

## FMH-A0007bR transcription

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“When Myrtle and Bill fell into line,  
Leonard and Hazel went up to Chai  
to get themselves hitched with an Illinois tie.  
We were married in Chicago in 1915. August of 1915.”

“Gene and Jim Spencer bought, got them a wife,  
oh both got them a wife, but Gene's hit the rocks.  
It was plumb full of strife.”

“Axel and Nettie, they fooled us all.  
We thought their engagement was only a stall.”

“Next, Jim and Piney a sailing went  
down to Weeks Bay just to live in a tent.  
But mosquitoes and chiggers appeared too soon  
and brought to an end their sweet honeymoon.”

“Next came the marriage of Leah and Max,  
who were quite filled up on this single tax.  
‘We can't stay single,’ we heard them say.  
‘To have a big family, we'll show them the way.’”

“And when they were married, they went out...  
But eventually they came on back to Fairhope...”  
*([this part is mixed, rhyming trailed off])*

“And there was Selena, who got married too.  
But things went wrong, so another she drew.”

“Dick Parker, the skipper, a little hotshot  
could sail a ship when others could not.”

**“There was old Jackson who couldn't dance,  
but it wasn't because he had ants in his pants.”**

**“Ralph Mershon too settled down  
by marrying a gal from New Orleans town.”**

**“Well, all these weddings ain't changed Pete a bit.  
He's one of those guys Dan Cupid can't hit.  
He's saved all his money, now owns half the town.  
But there ain't no gal that can bring him down.”**

**“Spider and Corny both got them a wife  
and seemed mighty happy with married life.”**

**“Oh yeah, the town clerk, I forgot to tell,  
was always so busy that she never fell.  
But cheer up, Gladys, there'll come a day  
when somebody else's all your bills will pay.”**

**“You may wonder why I'm writing this stuff.  
Do I hear a cry that you've had enough?”**

**“But at this time of year, our kids take us back  
to our childhood days and the old home shack.  
That's why these memories I've jotted down  
about when we were kids in the old hometown.”**

**“Now we hope we've not overlooked any friends  
in sending our greetings before this ends.  
So we will close, but say right here,  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year  
from the Dealings.”**