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ANNUAL REPORT OF ARTHUR T. WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT

I submit, for the information of the members of The Florida Historical Society, the following report for the year 1930-31:

At the last annual meeting, held in Ocala, the Society's roster held 563 names. Today, it contains 547, a decrease of only 15 members in these times of stress. We are all well aware that the \$2.00 membership fee of the Society is beyond the budget of some of our most earnest and loyal members. Many have indicated the intention of again becoming members when normalcy returns.

Last year we had enrolled twenty Contributing Members. Today, we have enrolled twenty-three members-an increase of three. To these generous friends, who donate more than the required \$2.00, we owe the enlarged publication of our **QUARTERLY** during the past year. Their generosity is indeed appreciated, not only by members of the Society, but by all who read the publication.

We report an increase of two in the enrollment of libraries and universities. We also record an increase of five exchanges, all to well-known historical institutions who send us, in return, their own valuable publications.

Thirty-five new members have been enrolled since the last annual meeting.

We call attention, with great pride, to the report of T. Frederick Davis, treasurer of the Society, which shows a larger balance than reported within the past five years. Our treasurer deserves the warmest praise for this splendid financial support rendered the Society.

The Florida Historical Society should be, and is, proud of its record for 1930. The above figures speak for themselves ; and far beyond statistical evidence,