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THE FLORIDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

In accordance with the revision of the constitution adopted at the annual meeting held in Gainesville, Florida, on November 17, 1936, the next annual meeting of the Florida Historical Society will be held on Tuesday, January 25th 1938 at 2:00 P. M., for the purpose of electing officers and transacting other business. A program of addresses, papers and discussions possessing wide-spread appeal and significance will be offered by notable leaders, beginning at 10:00 A. M.

Accepting the gracious invitation of President Robert B. Reed of the St. Petersburg Junior College, presented by Mrs. T. M. McDuffee at the annual meeting held last January in Palm Beach, the Society will open its 36th annual session at the Suwannee Hotel in St. Petersburg, as guests of the College.

Receiving later a similar invitation from President John H. Sherman of the University of Tampa, through Hon. D. B. McKay, a director of the Society, suggesting that the Society re-convene at the University of Tampa on the following day, Wednesday, January 26th, it was decided with the cooperation of the St. Petersburg Junior College, to accept this invitation. The program will begin at 10 A. M. It is believed that by thus having a two-day meeting in adjacent centers of such a large portion of the State's population, the Society's activities may be introduced to a large number of its members and friends not generally cognizant of its work.

Before and after the sessions, in St. Petersburg and in Tampa, an exhibit of Floridiana, lent by various public and private libraries in the State, and augmented by numerous important items from

private collections, will be on display near the assembly rooms, under the direction of Mrs. C. W. Ten Eick of Hollywood.

A signal and exceptionally significant program is being planned by the Program Committee, and it is hoped that with a large attendance of members, friends and guests, new advancement may be realized toward the purposeful and useful goal for which the Society was established.

The attendance of all friends of the history of the State is especially encouraged.

JOSHUA C. CHASE,
President.

The annual meeting. Never has the Society made more extensive plans for its annual meeting. The program will extend through two full days—at St. Petersburg on Tuesday, January 25, with the St. Petersburg Junior College as host, and at Tampa on the following day with the University of Tampa our host.

The Program Committee, with Professor Alfred J. Hanna as chairman, has long been at work, and numerous addresses, papers, and discussions on topics of Florida historical interest are planned. The complete program will appear in the press. The business meeting of the Society will be held at St. Petersburg in the Suwannee hotel at two o'clock on Tuesday, and President Chase and the directors urge all members to come if it is possible. While this session will not be open to the public, members are welcome to bring their friends and those who are interested in the Society's work.

The program meeting will begin at ten o'clock that morning in the Suwannee Hotel and will include a paper on the history of St. Petersburg and Pinellas county. The public is expected. A luncheon will

follow at one o'clock which will honor Hamilton Disston and his contribution to the development of the State. The annual dinner, commemorating Florida's first constitutional convention, the centennial of which is celebrated this year, will take place at eight o'clock at the Suwannee hotel. Everyone is invited to both luncheon and dinner, but reservations should be made with the hotel.

The University of Tampa will be host for all sessions of Wednesday. Program meetings are planned for ten o'clock in the morning and half-past two, at which noteworthy addresses and papers will be presented, among them one on the history of Tampa and Hillsborough county. A luncheon at one o'clock will honor H. B. Plant and his work of development in that region.

Continuously, before and after all sessions, both at Tampa and St. Petersburg, a loan exhibit of Floridiana will be on view. This is under the direction of Mrs. Charles W. Ten Eick of Hollywood, a former Tampan, who gathered such a notable collection for the annual meeting of last year. Many public and private libraries of Florida as well as other owners are lending early books, maps, documents, and every kind of interesting material relating to Florida and its history. Should you own or are able to secure the loan of any such material of Florida interest, will you not bring this with you or send it to Mrs. Ten Eick.