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## THE JACKSONVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The historical program of the quarterly meeting of the Jacksonville Historical Society on February 9, arranged by Mr. Richard P. Daniel, was featured by two papers written for the occasion.

Mrs. Margaret Cate took her hearers through much of the long history of Jekyll Island, a history closely connected throughout with that of northeastern Florida. Mrs. Cate is a historical consultant for Fort Frederica National Monument and has published "Our Today's and Yesterday's." She told of the first visits of the French Huguenots, and the Spanish under Menendez, and the missions established along the coast. Later came Oglethorpe who gave the island the name of his friend Sir Joseph Jekyll, who had contributed to the founding of Georgia. And there was much later history.

Coming home from our historical neighbors, a paper written by Mrs. Henry DuPre Bounetheau on "Early School Days in Jacksonville" was read by Mr. H. H. Buckman III, vice president of the Society. The author's grandfather settled in the locality in 1818, so her family are among the earliest pioneers. She writes of Miss DeMilly's school for girls, Miss Christy's school, and Mrs. Porter's, and Professor Abbott's, and "The Priory" established by the Rt. Rev. John F. Young, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Florida.

Mr. William D. Barfield, president, presided; and the hostesses were Mrs. Herbert M. Corse, Mrs. Frances Ewell, and Mrs. W. S. Manning.