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FLORIDA HISTORICAL QUARTERLY  
SEVENTY-NINTH MEETING

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTH-NINTH  
MEETING OF THE FLORIDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
AND  
FLORIDA HISTORICAL CONFEDERATION WORKSHOP  
1981

PROGRAM

Thursday, April 30

FLORIDA HISTORICAL CONFEDERATION  
Committee Meeting, 10:00 A.M.

FLORIDA HISTORICAL CONFEDERATION  
Registration: Heritage Park  
Largo, Florida

Afternoon Session  
Conservation Workshops:

Paper: Isabel B. Kirkwood, Tallahassee  
Restoration Preservationist,  
Florida State Archives

Textiles: Phyllis Kathryn Guy, Palm Beach  
Curatorial Assistant,  
The Henry Morrison Flagler Museum

Photographs: Rebecca S. Smith, Miami  
Librarian,  
Historical Museum of Southern Florida

Furnishings: Dr. Susan Reiling, Miami  
former Curator of Collections,  
Vizcaya Museum

Evening Session

Bayfront Concourse  
St. Petersburg, Florida

*"Tell Us About Your Society"*

Chair: Mrs. Chris LaRoche, Niceville

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FLORIDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
MEETING OF THE BOARD

Friday, May 1

FLORIDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Registration  
Bayfront Concourse  
St. Petersburg, Florida

Morning Session

FLORIDA HISTORICAL CONFEDERATION SESSION:

*"Programs and Activities on the Environment for your Society"*

Wit Ostrenko, Miami  
Director of Education,  
Historical Museum of Southern Florida

FLORIDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY SESSIONS:

Session I: *"Ecology and Environment of Florida"*

WELCOME: Mayor Corinne Freeman  
Chair: John K. Mahon, President, Florida Historical Society

Tom Ankerson, Cape Canaveral  
Environmental Specialist,  
Stottler, Stagg & Associates

*"Coping with the Growth Explosion:  
The Institutionalization of Environmentalism in Florida,  
1970-1975"*

Catherine Puckett, Gainesville  
University of Florida

*"Images of the Suwannee River"*

Comment: Nelson Manfred Blake  
Professor Emeritus of History,  
Syracuse University

Afternoon Session

Session II: *"Living with Florida Environment"*

Chair: Thelma Peters, Miami

George E. Buker, Jacksonville  
Jacksonville University

*“Engineers vs Florida’s Green Menace”*

Daniel T. Hobby, Fort Lauderdale  
Fort Lauderdale Historical Society

*“Adaptation to Florida’s Environment: Living with Hurricanes”*

Comment: Augustus M. Burns III, Gainesville  
University of Florida

Evening Program

Reception: St. Petersburg Fine Arts Museum  
Film Presentation– “History of St. Petersburg”  
Sponsored by: St. Petersburg Historical Society  
Bayfront Concourse  
St. Petersburg, Florida

Saturday, May 2  
Morning Session

Session III: *“A Cultural Resource Management Report”*

Chair: L. Ross Morrell, Tallahassee

Director: Division of Archives, History and Records  
Management, State of Florida

Jim Miller, Tallahassee

Principal: Cultural Resource Management, Inc.

*“An Introduction to and Background for the Cultural  
Resource Management Report”*

Mildred Fryman, Tallahassee  
Consulting Historian

*“The Role of the Historian in the CRM Process”*

John Griffin, St. Augustine  
Research Archeologist

*“The Role of the Archeologist in the CRM Process”*

Comment: Herschel E. Shepard, Jacksonville  
Shepard Associates

LUNCH and ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING  
OF THE SOCIETY

12:00 noon  
Bayfront Concourse

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

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St. Petersburg, Florida  
Bus Tour to Heritage Park, Largo

RECEPTION and BANQUET

Bayfront Concourse

St. Petersburg, Florida

Presiding: John K. Mahon, President

Florida Historical Society

Music about Florida and Its Environment by:

Dale and Linda Crider

Presentation of Awards

Arthur W. Thompson Memorial Award in Florida History  
Presented by Lucius Ellsworth to Thomas Graham

Rembert W. Patrick Memorial Book Award  
Presented by William M. Goza to Nelson Blake

Charlton W. Tebeau Junior Book Award  
Presented by Charlton W. Tebeau to Ben East

American Association for State and Local History Awards  
Presented by Linda V. Ellsworth,  
Historic Pensacola Preservation Board, to  
Dena Snodgrass, Jacksonville  
Hampton Dunn, Tampa  
Samuel Proctor, Florida Bicentennial Commission

#### MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

Dr. John K. Mahon, president of the Florida Historical Society, called the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Florida Historical Society to order at 8:20 p.m., April 30, 1981, at the Bayfront Concourse Hotel, St. Petersburg, Florida. Present were William R. Adams, Paul E. Camp, Linda V. Ellsworth, Mildred L. Fryman, Paul S. George, Thomas Graham, Hayes L. Kennedy, W. Sperry Lee, Eugene Lyon, Randy Nimnicht, Vernon Peoples, Olive D. Peterson, Jerrell H. Shofner, Paul W. Wehr, Glenn Westfall, and Linda K. Williams. Also attending were William M. Goza (resolutions committee), and Nancy Dilley of the Society staff. Thomas Greenhaw, E. Ashby Hammond, Wright Langler, Thomas Mickler, and Samuel Proctor were absent.

The board unanimously approved the minutes of the December 6, 1980, directors' meeting in Tampa, as they were published in the *Florida Historical Quarterly*, LIX (April 1980), 526-31.

Paul Camp, executive secretary, presented the financial report for the period from January 1, 1981, through March 31, 1981. This report lists the Society's total assets as of March 31, 1981, as \$74,332.67, representing an increase of \$6,197.89 since December 31, 1980, and an increase of \$8,494.45 since the report to the membership at the 1980 annual meeting. Income from membership for the first quarter of 1981 was \$5,417; receipts from sales, interest, and dividends brought the total income for this period to \$9,402.74. Disbursements over the same period totaled \$3,740.65. Major expenses included the printing, mailing, and other publication costs for the *Florida Historical Quarterly* and office and administrative expenses. There was surplus of \$5,662.09 as of March 31, 1981. Mr. Camp noted that income and expenditures for the first quarter of 1981 were within budget estimates as prepared for the current fiscal year and as presented at the December 1980 board meeting. Hayes L. Kennedy moved that the board approve the financial report, and the motion carried.

A report on the *Florida Historical Quarterly* prepared by Dr. Samuel Proctor, editor, was presented to the board by Dr. Jerrell Shofner. Volume LIX (July 1980-April 1981) of the *Quarterly* contained nineteen articles and 174 book reviews and notes. While the quantity of articles submitted for consideration for publication has increased, the quality of these articles continues to be a matter of concern to the editor. Often they have not been researched thoroughly, and the quality of the writing is not satisfactory. He urged the directors to encourage the submission of more articles of high quality to the journal. The report expressed appreciation for the continued excellent services of the E. O. Painter Printing Company in producing the *Quarterly*, and the help and cooperation of his board of editors.

A report on the *Florida History Newsletter* prepared by Dr. Thomas Greenhaw, editor, also was presented by Dr. Shofner. The new format recently adopted for the *Newsletter* has proven satisfactory. The smaller size conforms visually to that of the *Quarterly*, the cost of production has been reduced, and increased flexibility in planning its contents has been achieved.

Randy Nimnicht brought to the board's attention questions

raised by a Society member regarding the publication in the *Quarterly* of book reviews and book notes not directly related to Florida history. The board discussed increasing the appeal of the journal and the possibility of publishing a note outlining the *Quarterly's* policy on these matters. Dr. Mahon appointed a committee consisting of Randy Nimnicht, Lucius Ellsworth, and Eugene Lyon to formulate and present to the board at its December 1981 meeting a recommendation regarding the publication in the *Florida Historical Quarterly* of an appropriate editorial policy statement.

Linda K. Williams, president of the Florida Historical Confederation, reported on the April 30, 1981 meeting of the Confederation board of directors and on the Confederation workshops in progress at Heritage Park, Largo, and the Bayfront Concourse Hotel, St. Petersburg. In response to suggestions made by the Society's directors at their December 1980 meeting, the Confederation board is considering an award or a number of awards to be given to local historical societies or museums in recognition of excellence in promoting community and state history. Reports on the results of these deliberations will be approved later. Dr. Mahon, on behalf of the board, congratulated Ms. Williams on the organization and outcome of the current Confederation workshops.

Linda Ellsworth reported that the inventory committee is continuing its locating and cataloging of the Society's historical and art objects.

Hayes L. Kennedy reported on behalf of the finance committee. Dividends accumulated for the last quarter of 1980 from the investment of \$40,000 of Society assets in money market funds totaled \$1,613; dividends paid for the first quarter of 1981 amount to \$1,766. In the fourteen months during which Society funds have been invested in this manner, an increase totaling \$6,576 (reinvested in shares) has accumulated at an annualized yield of 14.09 per cent. The finance committee recommended that no additional Society funds be transferred to money market funds at this time.

Dr. Mahon reported on behalf of the nominating committee: Jane Dysart, chair; George E. Buker; Thelma Peters; Milton Jones; and Robert Harris. The following slate of new directors will be recommended to the Society membership at its May 2,

1981, business meeting: District 2, Kendrick Ford, Largo, and Ernest Hall, Fort Myers; District 3, Samuel J. Boldrick, Miami; District 4, Marjorie Patterson, Fort Lauderdale; and at-large, Peter D. Klingman, Daytona Beach. Dr. Mahon appointed the following persons as members of the nominating committee for 1981-1982: Glen Dill, New Port Richey, and Mildred Fryman, Talahassee, co-chairs; James W. Covington, Tampa; Mrs. John D. Ware, Tampa; and Arva Moore Parks, Miami.

Dr. Paul George, chair of the membership committee, reported that the Society's membership level had remained steady during the last six months. Membership at the time of the meeting totaled 1,591 as compared to 1,583 December 3, 1980. A letter to current membership mailed in January 1981 by President Mahon generated some new members; but the loss of members continues to affect the overall membership situation.

Dr. Lucius Ellsworth reported on the activities of the junior historian committee. A successful History Fair for 2,000 fourth and fifth-grade students was held in Orange County in February 1981, under the supervision of Dr. Paul Wehr of the University of Central Florida. A report of this activity was published in the *Florida History Newsletter*, VII (March 1981). Orange County plans to repeat and expand the fair in 1982 to include sixth-grade students also. Dr. Ellsworth recommended that the board commend the work of Dr. Wehr, and the board adopted this recommendation. Dr. Ellsworth moved also that the board endorse the six History Fairs to be scheduled for 1982 for which planning is underway— Alachua, Escambia, Orange, St. Lucie, Volusia, and possibly Seminole counties. An increase in funds for these activities may be needed. The board approved this motion. Dr. Ellsworth then moved that the editors of the *Florida History Newsletter* and the *Florida Historical Quarterly* be asked to publish the names of all History Fair prize winners and their sponsoring teachers.

Dr. Mahon reported on the work of June Hurley Young who is preparing a series of biographical vignettes of early Floridians, a project being funded by the Florida Endowment for the Humanities. The Society, in its role as sponsor, is providing guidance for Young on the content of these sketches. Dr. Mahon also reported that the Society received in February 1981, a request from the Florida Endowment for the Humanities for as-



sistance in reviewing proposed history-oriented projects. The board recommended that the Society continue its past policy of suggesting the names of qualified persons.

The 1982 annual meeting will be held in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on May 6-8. Dr. Mahon announced the following program committee: Jane Dysart, University of West Florida, chair; Bettye Smith, Sanford; and Ada Coates Williams, Fort Pierce. The program will focus on the role and activities of women in Florida history.

Dr. Mahon noted the recent death of Miss Margaret Chapman, former executive secretary of the Florida Historical Society. Mr. Nimnicht moved that a bookplate commemorating Miss Chapman be inserted in all books purchased for the Society's library during this fiscal year, and that a notice be published in the *Quarterly* asking for contributions for a special memorial fund to supplement the purchase of books for the Society's collection. The board unanimously approved these motions.

Dr. Mahon reported that he has taken the following actions since December 1980: written to pertinent authorities supporting the inclusion of fifty-one miles of the Suwannee River in Florida's Outstanding Waters Program; commended Senator Lawton Childs and Congressman Don Fuqua for their opposition to proposed mining activities in the Osceola National Forest; and expressed objections to drainage activities threatening the Florida black bear in the Pinhook Swamp area. He will express similar objections to drainage activities in the Santa Fe River region which would affect that river adversely. Dr. Mahon also requested that Ken Mulder, president of the Tampa Bay Historical Society, address the 1981 business meeting of the Society on membership solicitation activities.

The board approved the drafting by the resolution committee, chaired by William M. Goza, of resolutions to be presented to Society members at the business meeting on May 2, 1981 on the following topics: commemoration of the death of Miss Margaret Chapman and other Society members during the past year; support of efforts to continue preservation of the historic Union Bank building, Tallahassee; protestations to actions on the Federal level inhibiting the growth and threatening the survival of historic preservation activities, historical museums and societies, the Institute of Museum Services, the National Historical Pub-

lications and Records Commission, and other such federally-funded activities relating to history.

Mr. Camp asked the board for an amendment of the by-laws and charter of the Society to accommodate certain formalities relating to obtaining a sales tax exemption. Mr. Nimnicht moved that the Society's membership be asked at the May 2, 1981 business meeting to approve the insertion in both the by-laws and charter of the Society of a statement mandating that, should the Florida Historical Society cease to exist, its assets would pass to another organization with similar goals. The board approved this motion.

Dr. Ellsworth reported the offer by KBS Systems, Inc., Ormond Beach (convention planners), to work with the Society's local arrangements committees in future in order to facilitate annual meetings. There would be no charge to the Society for such services other than the costs of providing mailing labels. Dr. Shofner moved that the board notify the president of the host organizations for the 1983 annual meeting of the Society (to be held in Daytona Beach) of the availability of this service. This motion passed.

The board discussed various ways to increase membership, visibility, and the effectiveness of the Society. Current activities include the sponsorship of history fairs; sponsorship of the June Hurley Young biographies series; and the distribution of Society promotional leaflets at the Florida Division of Parks and Recreation's historic sites and museums and at all official Florida Welcome Stations. There is also active involvement by members and officers in a variety of other activities aimed at increasing the Society's impact in Florida.

Mr. Nimnicht moved the expenditure of \$600 for public relations purposes to be spent at the discretion of the president and executive secretary. The president will report to the directors at their December 1981 meeting on the results obtained through such efforts so that these methods can be evaluated for future use. This motion was passed by the board. Ms. Ellsworth agreed to canvass other state historical societies of similar size and organizational structure about membership and promotional activities in order to learn how the Florida Historical Society compares with such groups and how it can profit from their experiences. This information will be presented to the board at its December

1981 meeting, and will be used as the basis for continued discussions by the directors on such matters. Dr. Ellsworth proposed that a questionnaire be drafted which would poll the membership on its perceptions of current and future services and programs of the Society. The board asked Dr. Ellsworth to draw up a sample questionnaire for its consideration at the December 1981 directors meeting.

The Arthur W. Thompson Memorial Prize in Florida History for the best article to appear in Volume LIX of the *Florida Historical Quarterly* will be awarded to Thomas Graham, Flagler College, St. Augustine, for "Charles H. Jones: Florida's Gilded Age Editor-Politician," which appeared in the July 1980 issue. Members of the committee were David Colburn, University of Florida; Robert L. Hall, Tallahassee; and Paul Camp, Florida Historical Society, Tampa. The Rembert W. Patrick Memorial Book Award for the best book on Florida history will go to Nelson M. Blake, Deerfield Beach, Florida, for *Land Into Water—Water Into Land*. The Patrick committee included Paul S. George, Miami; John W. Griffin, St. Augustine; and Julia F. Smith, Georgia Southern College, Statesboro, Georgia. The Charlton W. Tebeau Junior Book Award will be received by Ben East, Holly, Michigan, for his book *Danger In The Air*. Committee members were Georgine J. Mickler, Chuluota, Florida; Linda K. Williams, Historical Association of Southern Florida, Miami; and Patricia R. Wickman, Florida State Museum, Gainesville.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

#### *Minutes of the Business Meeting*

Dr. John Mahon, president, called the annual business meeting of the Florida Historical Society to order on Saturday, May 2, 1981, at 12:45 p.m., at the Bayfront Concourse Hotel in St. Petersburg, Florida. Past presidents of the Society in attendance were introduced. They included Dr. Thelma Peters, Miami; Milton Jones, Clearwater; William Goza, Gainesville and Madison; Dr. Charlton Tebeau, professor emeritus, University of Miami; and Dr. Frank Sessa, Orlando. Dr. Mahon thanked Mrs. Pauline Carter, Largo Garden Club, for the luncheon and banquet floral arrangements, and the local arrangements committee mem-

bers: Mr. and Mrs. Milton Jones, Jr., Mrs. Kenrick Ford, Hayes Kennedy, Everett Linhart, Millicent Seymour, and Don Williams. Dr. Mahon also thanked members of the board of directors whose terms expired with this meeting for their help and support: Hayes Kennedy, Vernon Peeples, Wright Langley, Thomas Mickler, and Dr. E. Ashby Hammond. Thanks were also extended to O. C. Peterson for constructing the two wooden exhibit stands displayed in the meeting room during the conference. The stands were presented by Mr. Peterson for the exhibit program.

Paul Camp, executive secretary, gave a report on the Society's financial status. Current assets include \$27,630.37 in checking and savings accounts. The sum of \$40,000 that was invested in the money market funds in February 1980, has yielded \$6,576 in dividends. Current total Society assets are \$74,332.67.

Mr. Camp recommended that the membership accept an amendment both to the charter and by-laws to the effect that if the Florida Historical Society should cease to exist, its assets would pass to a similar organization with similar goals. Such a statement is needed as a requisite for the Society to apply for sales tax exemption. This action was unanimously approved by the membership.

Dr. Mahon, on behalf of the Society, thanked the finance committee— William Goza, Milton Jones, and Hayes Kennedy—for its activities during the past year.

Dr. Jane Dysart, chair of the nominating committee, which included Dr. George E. Buker, Dr. Thelma Peters, and Dr. Robert Harris, recommended the following slate of directors to the membership: district 2; Kendrick Ford of Largo, and Ernest Hall of Fort Myers, to fill positions being vacated by Hayes Kennedy and Vernon Peeples; district 3, Sam Boldrick of Miami, to replace Wright Langley; district 4, Marjorie Patterson of Fort Lauderdale, replacing Thomas Mickler; and at large: Dr. Peter D. Klingman, Daytona Beach, to replace Dr. E. Ashby Hammond. There were no nominations from the floor, and the membership unanimously approved the slate.

Dr. Lucius Ellsworth reported on behalf of the junior historian committee on the progress of the Junior History Fairs projects. The board of directors in 1979-1980 authorized a pilot History Fair to interest more people in Florida history, to encourage the love and study of history among young people, and

to increase the visibility of the Florida Historical Society among the adult community. Under the leadership of Dr. Paul Wehr, the first project was organized for fourth and fifth graders in Orange County. This fair proved very successful and will be expanded next year to include sixth graders. Five other fairs will be undertaken in 1981-1982: Alachua County, organized by Patricia R. Wickman and Dr. E. Ashby Hammond; Escambia County, organized by Dr. Jane Dysart and Linda Ellsworth; St. Lucie County, organized by Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Peterson and a supporting committee of fifteen persons; and Volusia County, organized by Dr. Peter D. Klingman. There may be a fair also in Seminole County, organized by Dr. Paul Wehr and Bettye Smith. Dr. Ellsworth expressed the hope that this program will continue to expand, and he solicited new proposals for future fairs in other portions of the state.

Randy Nimmicht reported on the *Florida Historical Quarterly* on behalf of Dr. Samuel Proctor, editor. All issues of Volume LIX of the journal were mailed on schedule. The editor acknowledged in his report the cooperation of his editorial assistant, David Lawrence, and the support of his editorial board: Dr. J. Leitch Wright, Florida State University; Dr. John Mahon, University of Florida; Dr. Herbert J. Doherty, Jr., University of Florida; Dr. Jerrell Shofner, University of Central Florida; Dr. Michael Gannon, University of Florida; and Dr. Charlton W. Tebeau, emeritus, University of Miami. The editor expressed his appreciation to others who facilitated the responsibilities of editing and publishing the journal, including Joan Morris of the State Photographic Archives who supplied many of the pictures which appeared in the *Quarterly*, and the staff of the P. K. Yonge Library of Florida History, University of Florida. Dr. Proctor expressed special gratitude to Mr. Dick Johnston of E. O. Painter Printing Company, who has published the journal since July 1969, for his cooperation and support. On behalf of the Society, the editor thanked the University of Florida and Florida State Museum for their support of the publication of the *Quarterly*. The editor urged the submission from the membership of articles dealing with all aspects of Florida history. The *Quarterly* also is interested in publishing reviews of all books (new or reprints), booklets, monographs, pamphlets, etc., dealing with any aspect of Florida history.

Dr. Mahon presented the program committee for the next annual meeting, which will be held in Fort Lauderdale on May 6-8: Bettye Smith, Sanford; Dr. Jane Dysart, Pensacola; and Mrs. Ada Coates Williams, Fort Pierce. The topic for next year's sessions will be "Women in Florida History." He also announced that the nominating committee for next year will include: Glen Dill, New Port Richey, and Mildred Fryman, Tallahassee, co-chairs; James Covington, Tampa; Mrs. John D. Ware, Tampa; and Arva Moore Parks, Miami.

Mr. William Goza presented a check for \$1,000 from the Wentworth Foundation, Inc., to President Mahon for support of the *Florida Historical Quarterly*. Dr. Mahon expressed thanks to Mr. Goza and the Foundation for its continuing support of the Society and all of its activities.

Mr. Goza as chairman of the resolutions committee presented the following resolutions which were unanimously approved by the membership:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Florida Historical Society deeply regrets the loss by death of Miss Margaret Chapman. Miss Chapman, a North Carolinian by birth and holder of a master's degree in library science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, died at Tampa, Florida, on March 28, 1981. She had served as librarian at the University of Florida for the P. K. Yonge Library of Florida History, and as special collections librarian at the University of South Florida, where she also acted as executive secretary for the Florida Historical Society until her retirement in 1970. She then served as librarian at Queens College, Charlotte, North Carolina. Her death is noted with regret by the Society which she also served so well and faithfully.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Society also notes with regret and a sense of loss the death of the following members since the last meeting:

Mrs. Lucy Haughton, Jacksonville  
 Ms. Johnnie V. Judy, Sanford  
 Mrs. F. R. Weedon, Chapel, North Carolina  
 Mr. Rufus C. Wysong, Lake Panasoffkee

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Society extend special appreciation to Linda Ellsworth and Peter Klingman who

formed the program committee for this the seventy-ninth meeting of the Society and to all the participants for contributing to the interest and success of this meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Society extend its appreciation to the area organizations which sponsored this meeting, including Central Gulf Coast Archaeological Society, Clearwater Historical Society, Dunedin Historical Society, Eckerd College, Florida Aviation Historical Society, Indian Rocks Beach Historical Society, Largo Area Historical Society, Pinellas County Historical Society, Piper Archaeological Research, Inc., Saftey Harbor Area Historical Society, St. Petersburg Historical Society, St. Petersburg Junior College, Suncoast Archaeological Society, Tarpon Springs Historical Society, University of South Florida, and Volunteers in Preservation. Thanks are also given to St. Petersburg Fine Arts Museum for providing such beautiful surroundings for the convention reception held on Friday evening, May 1, 1981.

WHEREAS the Union Bank Building in Tallahassee is one of the oldest surviving bank buildings in the South and a significant example of Florida Territorial Period commercial architecture, one of a select few remaining in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, although the building was relocated in 1971 in an initial effort to prevent its destruction, no financial support has since been provided for even the most elementary measures to preserve it, so that the structure is now seriously threatened by neglect and deterioration; and

WHEREAS Florida's First Lady, Mrs. Robert (Adele) Graham and Mrs. LeRoy (Mary Call) Collins, wife of former Governor Collins, are providing valiant leadership in further efforts to preserve this structure and ask for the support of all concerned Floridians in their efforts; and

WHEREAS the Union Bank Building is the property and responsibility of the State of Florida; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Florida Historical Society encourages the legislature of the State of Florida to appropriate funds to preserve and restore the Union Bank Building and urges

its members to request their state representatives to give strong support to such an appropriation.

WHEREAS the cultural and historical legacy of Florida is visably and tangibly reflected in its architectural and archeological resources; and

WHEREAS the buildings, structures, and neighborhoods that comprise Florida's cities, towns, and rural areas are a significant part of our social fabric; and

WHEREAS Florida's archeological resources, like its architectural resources, constitute valid and irreplaceable historical documents; and

WHEREAS developmental and population pressures are threatening the destruction of these resources at an alarming rate; and

WHEREAS the financial and administrative mechanisms for maintaining even a modest level of support for the preservation of these resources have been eliminated by proposed federal budget reductions; and

WHEREAS the federal government has a responsibility for assisting the states in supporting efforts to preserve and protect our cultural heritage; therefore

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Florida Historical Society support the continuation of a federal preservation program that assists the states and local communities and that the Society urges its members to make the Society's concerns known to its representatives and to federal and state officials.

Dr. Ellsworth moved the adoption of the following resolution recommended by the board of directors at its April 29, 1981, meeting. This resolution was unanimously approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Florida Historical Society encourages President Reagan, and other federal officials and leaders to recognize the necessity for perserving our nation's historical heritage and cultural resources, and that the federal government continue interest in and funding for programs such as the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Endowment for the Arts, and Institute of Museum Services, the



National Historical Publications and Records Commission, and the state historic preservation program within the Department of Interior, which provide significant financial support and which encourage private philanthropic funding for history and history-related programs.

Dr. Ellsworth offered the following resolution, which the members unanimously approved: That the membership ratify the new dues structure adopted by the board at the 1980 annual director's meeting. The resolution was approved by the membership.

Dr. Mahon reminded the members of the available bus tour to Heritage Park, Largo, scheduled for 2:30 p.m. following this meeting and of the banquet to be held at 6:30 p.m. at the convention hotel with entertainment to be provided by Dale and Linda Crider in the form of music about Florida and its environment.

The following awards, it was announced, will be presented at the banquet:

Arthur W. Thompson Memorial Prize for 1980-1981 to Dr. Thomas Graham, Flagler College, St. Augustine, for his article "Charles H. Jones: Florida's Gilded Age Editor-Politician" which appeared in Volume LIX (July 1980) of the *Florida Historical Quarterly*. The awards committee included: David Colburn, University of Florida; Robert L. Hall, Tallahassee; and Paul Camp, Florida Historical Society, Tampa.

Rembert W. Patrick Memorial Book Award to Nelson M. Blake, Professor Emeritus of History, Syracuse University and current resident of Deerfield Beach, Florida, for his book *Land Into Water—Water Into Land*. The judges were Julia F. Smith, Georgia Southern College, Statesboro, Georgia; Paul S. George, Miami; and John W. Griffin, St. Augustine.

Charlton W. Tebeau Junior Book Award to Ben East, Holly, Michigan, for his book, *Danger In The Air*. The judges were Linda K. Williams, Historical Association of Southern Florida, Miami; Georgine J. Mickler, Chuluota, Florida; and Patricia R. Wickman, Florida State Museum, Gainesville.

On behalf of the American Association for State and Local History, the following awards in honor of outstanding contribu-

tions to state and local history will also be presented: an Award of Merit to the Bicentennial Floridiana Facsimile Series, Samuel Proctor, General Editor, University Presses of Florida, for reprints of previously unavailable materials; a Certificate of Commendation to Dena Snodgrass, Jacksonville, for devotion to and creation of awareness in others of the history of Jacksonville and northeast Florida; and a Certificate of Commendation to Hampton Dunn, Tampa, for significant promotion of and wide dissemination of information about Tampa Bay area history.

Dr. Mahon announced that the 1982 annual meeting for the Society will be held May 6-8, in Fort Lauderdale, and that the 1983 annual meeting will be in Daytona Beach.

Randy Nimnicht brought to the attention of the membership the concern of the Society's directors over decreasing membership and asked for the continuing support of all members in helping to remedy this situation.

Linda Ellsworth announced to the members that the directors at their April 30, 1981 meeting had voted that all materials purchased for the Society's library in this year would be marked with bookplates commemorating Margaret Chapman and that members wishing to make donations in her memory should send them to Mr. Camp at the Society's office, University of South Florida Library, Tampa.

Mr. Camp reported that current membership totaled 1,591, that thirty-five members had joined since January 1981, four persons had been reinstated, eight had cancelled their memberships, and three members had passed away. Of the thirty-five new members, fourteen had joined in response to the membership appeal of January 28, 1981. For the last few months, membership has fluctuated around the figure 1,600.

The business meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mildred Fryman  
Recording Secretary

#### GIFTS TO THE SOCIETY

A collection of Florida postcards and a photograph was donated to the Society by Kristine T. Ellis of Brooklyn, New

York. A 1918 photograph of Camp Joseph E. Johnston near Jacksonville was given by the Museum of Science and Industry, Seattle, Washington. Elizabeth Fleming L'Engle, Jacksonville, presented a collection of manuscript letters relating to Governor Francis P. Fleming. Twenty-one postcards, from the years 1938-1953, were the gift of the St. Louis County Historical Society of Duluth, Minnesota. Arthur E. Francke, DeBary, donated a letter from Lieutenant Christopher Quarles Tompkins to Lieutenant Colonel Gates, dated "Camp Powell, E. F., August 7, 1839." Books, periodicals, and past issues of the *Florida Historical Quarterly* were presented to the Library by Nancy Hart, United States Senator Robert C. Byrd, Mary E. Leeuw, Clearwater Public Library, Mrs. Angus Williams, Sr., R. W. Casey, Earl M. Creel, Historic Tampa/Hillsborough County Preservation Board, Christian S. LaRoche, Mrs. Homer S. Brown, Tampa Historical Society, Daughters of the American Revolution National Society, and Russell V. Puzey.

## NEW MEMBERS

April 1, 1980-December 31, 1980

Lester Archer, Stuart  
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 Manuel E. Benitez, Ormond Beach  
 Jeane Berard, Key Largo  
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 Jim Birchwood, Orlando  
 Lora Blocker, Dade City  
 Mary Jo Brecht, Jacksonville  
 Captain Richard G. Bright, Jr., Miami  
 Mrs. Ted Brower, West Palm Beach  
 Mrs. C. E. Busby, Orange Park  
 Richard D. Cardell, Jacksonville  
 \*Joseph Christinana, Orlando  
 \*Sandra Lee Clark, Orlando  
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 \*F. P. Cremonese, Fern Park  
 Howard W. Crews, Tallahassee  
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 Colonel William J. Flynn, (Ret.), Fort Lauderdale  
 Miriam Freeman, Gainesville  
 Alan Gantzhorn, Pensacola  
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 Marvin D. Geiger, Venice  
 Judi Gorsuch, Miami

- James Mason Gray, Lutz  
 Katherine Harrarty, Miami  
 Robert Hall, Tallahassee
- \*\*Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hamilton, Dunedin  
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 Ruth Linton, Perry  
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 John Marshall, Ocala  
 Eugene L. Matthews, Starke  
 Leoma B. Maxwell, Avon Park  
 Edward K. Mellon, Tallahassee  
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- \*\*Mr. and Mrs. Allen Mills, Ponte Verde Beach  
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 Betty Ann Reed, Ocean Ridge  
 Gifford Rhodes, Orange Park  
 Sara K. Rhodes, Dade City  
 Nelle M. Rinaldi, Tampa
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 Jeffrey Rosinek, Miami  
 Marilyn Roy, Miami  
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 Frank B. Sessa, Orlando  
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 Susie Skipper, Lake Wales  
 Marjorie Smither, Fort Pierce  
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 Priscilla A. Tarplee, Roanoke, VA

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- Doris L. Voelkel, Apopka
- Landon Walker, Jacksonville
- Mandi Warner, Decatur, GA
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- Carleton L. Weidmeyer, Clearwater
- William H. Weldon, Jr., Bell
- Ronald Williamson, DeLand
- Lynn Willoughby, Tallahassee
- \*\*Edward B. and Judy C. Wilson, Gulf Stream
- \*\*Mr. and Mrs. Dale Winsor, St. James City
- Gareth W. Wright, Crystal River
- June Hurley Young, St. Petersburg

#### Historical Societies

- Cedar Key Historical Society, Inc., Cedar Key
- Historic Key West Preservation Board, Key West
- Historical Preservation Society of the Upper Keys, Key Largo
- Leesburg Heritage Society, Inc., Leesburg
- St. Lucie Historical Society, Fort Pierce

#### Libraries

- Clay County Free Library System, Green Cove Springs
- Clewiston High School, Clewiston
- Clewiston Middle School, Clewiston
- Henry Shelton Sanford Memorial Library, Sanford
- Highlands Junior High School #224, Jacksonville
- LaBelle High School Library, LaBelle
- LaBelle Middle School Library, LaBelle
- Latt Maxcy Memorial Library, Frostproof
- Levi White School, B. Whigham Library, Augusta, GA
- Moore Haven School Library, Moore Haven
- Punta Gorda Public Library, Punta Gorda
- Universiteitsbibliotheek KUL, Leuven, Belgium
- University of Florida, Department of History, Gainesville
- Wildwood High School, Wildwood

- \*Student Membership
- \*\*Family Membership

Society: Annual Meeting

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TREASURER'S REPORT

April 1, 1980-December 31, 1980

Net Worth, December 31, 1980 .....		\$68,134.78
Current Assets:		
University State Bank (Tampa)		
checking .....	\$ 3,258.47	
University of South Florida		
account 76-9902-000 .....	238.72	
First Federal Savings & Loan Assn.		
Gainesville .....	975.75	
Fortune Federal Savings & Loan		
(Thompson) .....	3,565.17	
Tampa Federal Savings & Loan .....	4,277.19	
Fortune Federal Savings & Loan		
(Yonge) .....	316.28	
University State Bank (Tampa) .....	2,369.76	
Freedom Federal Savings & Loan		
(Tampa) .....	9,810.44	
E. F. Hutton .....	43,197.00	
Middle South Utilities (six shares).....	126.00	\$68,134.78
Receipts:		
Memberships:		
Annual .....	\$ 6,480.00	
Fellow .....	240.00	
Family .....	995.00	
Historical .....	495.00	
Library .....	4,713.75	
Student .....	110.00	
Contributing .....	200.00	
Life .....	350.00	\$13,583.75
Contributions:		
Wentworth, Inc. ....	\$ 1,000.00	
Jerome Book .....	50.00	\$ 1,050.00
Other Receipts:		
Quarterly Sales .....	\$ 759.26	
Microfilm .....	190.00	
Photographs .....	10.50	
Labels .....	38.50	
Index .....	37.50	
Duplicating .....	199.57	
Directory .....	5.00	
Annual Meeting .....	2,820.20	\$ 4,060.83
Interest:		
First Federal .....	\$ 39.50	
Guaranty Federal .....	144.32	
Tampa Federal .....	173.98	
University State Bank .....	91.66	
Freedom Federal .....	397.13	
Guaranty Federal .....	11.62	\$ 858.21
Dividends:		
E. F. Hutton .....	\$ 2,421.00	
Middle South Utilities .....	9.54	\$ 2,430.54
Disbursements:		
Florida Historical Quarterly		
Printing and Mailing .....	\$10,205.66	
Mailer Labels and Envelopes .....	334.75	
Editor's Expenses .....	1,000.00	

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

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Stationary and Envelopes .....	58.97	
Copyrights .....	32.00	
University of Florida Teaching Resources Center (photographs) ...	30.60	
Post Office Box Rental .....	22.00	\$11,683.98
Annual Meeting:		
Hotel, Meal Tickets .....	\$ 2,938.63	
Dr. W. Flynt .....	300.00	
Century Typographer .....	89.50	
Plaque .....	28.65	
Postage .....	35.00	
Printing .....	130.22	
Arthur W. Thompson Memorial Prize .....	150.00	
Rembert W. Patrick Memorial Prize	150.00	
Charlton W. Tebeau Junior Award	150.00	\$ 3,968.40
Other Expenses:		
<i>Florida Historical Society Newsletter</i> .....	\$ 758.16	
Postage .....	898.98	
Telephone .....	36.60	
December Board Meeting .....	54.04	
Travel .....	14.40	
Duplicating .....	546.45	
Educational Resources .....	196.45	
Supplies .....	1,099.52	
Jerome Book Fund .....	53.10	
Insurance .....	49.00	
C.P.A. (preparing income tax) .....	75.00	
Other Book Expense .....	26.79	\$ 3,808.49
Net Income		\$ 2,523.46
Balance, December 31, 1980		\$68,134.78

FLORIDA HISTORICAL CONFEDERATION  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 30, 1981

The executive board meeting was called to order by Linda Williams at 11:00 a.m., April 30, 1981. Present were Marjorie Patterson, John Opdyke, Mrs. Christian LaRoche, Addie Emerson, Elizabeth Ehrbar, Shirley Boutwell, Paul Camp, and Randy Nimnicht.

Paul Camp, Linda Williams, and Nancy Dilley were appointed as a committee to determine how best to increase the size of the Confederation so as to secure better geographical representation. A recommendation will be made to change the by-laws based upon the committee's report. Ms. Dilley will send a copy of the Confederation by-laws to all board members. The format and procedure for conducting a Junior History Fair was discussed. It was proposed that a "how-to" booklet for organizing a fair be developed. The matter of presenting awards and special achievement certificates was discussed. These recognitions would go to organizations and individuals for outstanding work in promoting local and county history. The presentations will be made at the annual meeting of the Florida Historical Society.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Dilley  
Ex-officio Recording Secretary



**G**REAT EXPECTATIONS. . . . .

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| Nov. 6-8   | Southern Jewish Historical Society              | Mobile, AL      |
| Nov. 11-14 | Southern Historical Association                 | Louisville, KY  |
| Nov. 12-14 | Southeastern Archeological Conference           | Asheville, NC   |
| Dec. 4-5   | Southeastern Borderlands Association Conference | Atlanta, GA     |
| Dec. 28-31 | American Historical Association                 | Los Angeles, CA |

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| Mar. 31-<br>Apr. 3 | Organization of American Historians     | Philadelphia, PA    |
| Apr. 2-4           | Florida Anthropological Society         | Tampa, FL           |
| May 6-7            | Florida Historical Confederation        | Fort Lauderdale, FL |
| May 7-8            | FLORIDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY—80th MEETING | Fort Lauderdale, FL |

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