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W. B. BARNETT, Founder

The Barnett National Bank

## Sixty Years Ago...and Today



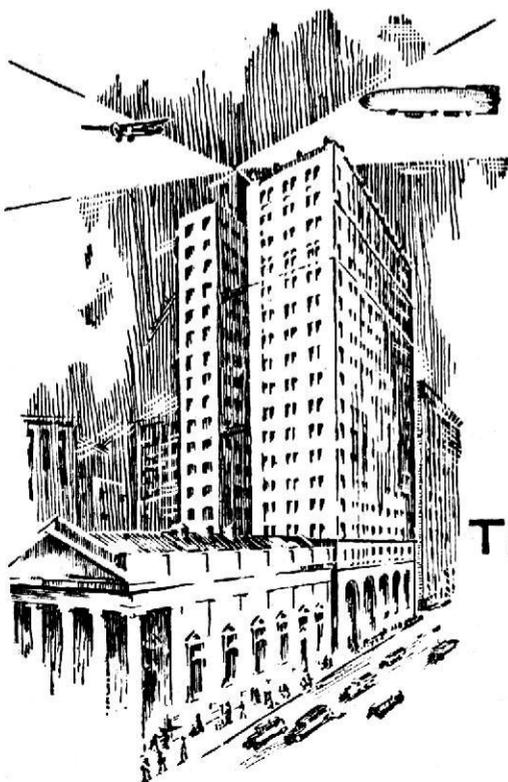
The second home of the Barnett National Bank, corner Bay and Laura Streets.

During the first eleven years of this bank's history, changes in the State and Nation were rapid. Throughout the United States new inventions—the typewriter, the telephone, the adding machine, the bicycle, the kodak, the movie camera, the loose leaf binder, and the fountain pen—were made and were becoming generally in use. This bank was the first business house in Florida to install a Burroughs adding machine.

*The chief sources of income to the State were cattle, lumber, Sea Island cotton, oranges, and Winter visitors. Comparatively few grapefruit were raised, and naval stores operations had just started. Growing and shipping of early vegetables to Northern markets had not commenced, nor, had phosphate rock been discovered in Florida. One needs but observe the heavy shipments of agricultural products from Florida today to be convinced of the great change that has taken place.*

In May, 1888, our bank became a national corporation, known as the National Bank of Jacksonville. By this time it had outgrown the space in the Freedman Building, and on March 17, 1890, commodious offices were acquired at the southeast corner of Bay and Laura Streets. The photograph above illustrates the new quarters, which were thought to be ample for years to come.

How, through the confidence of its depositors, the bank thrived and advanced to its present eighteen-story structure will be told in subsequent issues of this Sixtieth Anniversary Series.



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