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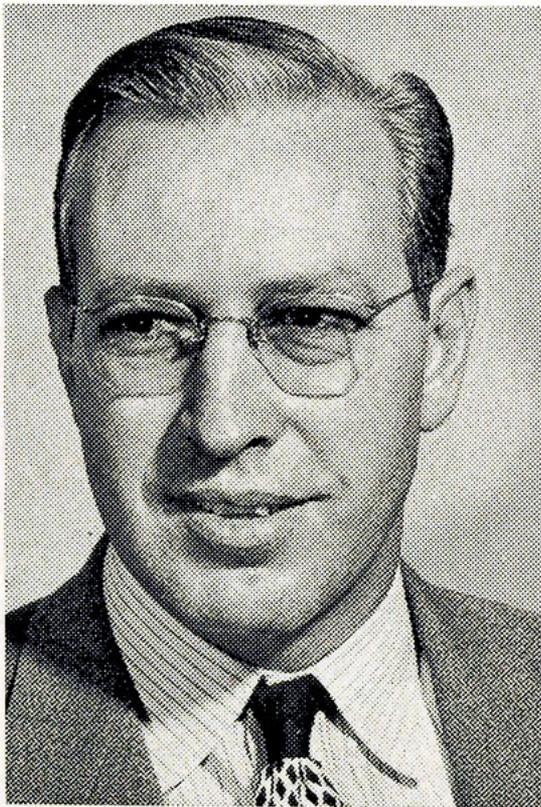
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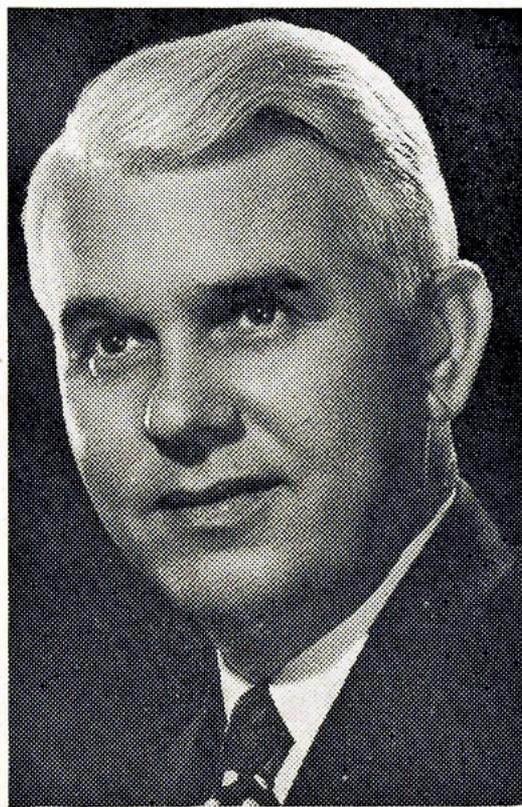
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Alumni Pledge \$16,000 To Back T. U. Football



F. S. CLAIR PITTMAN



DR. ELLWOOD C. NANCE

Acting with the full approval and support of the Board of Managers and alumni generally, F. S. Clair Pittman, president of the University of Tampa Alumni Association, stepped forth this month to save football from being discontinued as a major part of the Spartan sports program.

In doing so, Pittman pledged to the University Board of Trustees that the Alumni Association will raise \$16,000 to help defray the cost of fielding a first rate small college team next season.

Pittman's action was believed to be a major factor in the trustees' unanimous decision to continue football at the University. The fate of the sport was left hanging in the balance by last season's dismal no-victory record and the fear that continuation of it without outside financial assistance might endanger the University's efforts to obtain full accreditation.

"It is of utmost importance to the alumni that we deliver the goods and make good on our pledge to raise this money," Pittman said. "Each of us owes a great deal to the university, but we have not in the past been able to make any substantial monetary contribution to the support of the school. If we are to have any voice in the affairs of the University in the future we must show our ability to produce and begin to repay a small share of our obligation to our University.

"When we finish this job in the grand style of which we are thoroughly capable, we will gain the utmost respect and confidence as an organization and as individuals from the trustees, the University administration and the people of the City of Tampa."

Pittman emphasized that the Alumni Association must have the support of friends of the University in the community. The Association has been assured of assistance from the old Spartan Club which did so much to support the athletic program before the war. The

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Tampa U. to Get Accreditation Study

The University of Tampa will be the subject of a "special study"—an inspection—this year by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools to determine its eligibility for accreditation, Dr. E. C. Nance, president of the University announced.

Coming in the 19th year of its history, this was good news to all past and present students of the University and to the trustees and many friends in the local community who have guided and supported the young institution through its formative years.

President Nance, Dean Rhodes and the faculty have diligently striven to prepare the University for the inspection which will come sometime before the end of the second semester. The requirements have been studied carefully and an an-

nual report made faithfully on Oct. 1st of each year. Every year since 1945 when Dr. Nance became president of the University, he and Dean Rhodes have appeared before the Admissions Committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools—the regional accrediting agency for eleven Southern states—to ask for a "special

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President's Letter

Pittman Outlines Objectives of Alumni Group for Coming Year

Dear Fellow Alumni:

As acclaimed by all who were there, our most successful homecoming has come and gone. We are now fast approaching the Christmas holiday season. It is sincerely hoped that everyone of you has a most abundant and happy Christmas and New Year.

However, we must all settle down and set our sights on the various goals we must strive to meet in the coming year. Number among your New Year's resolutions one to the effect that you will contribute in as large a measure as possible to the furtherance and support of our University of Tampa. There is much to be accomplished and you certainly fit into the picture. Just let it be known what project you are interested in and in what capacity you can serve.

Your officers and board have had their first meeting and it was resolved that we would do our utmost to make a record for the coming year. Following are some of our objectives:

1. A monthly news bulletin or letter.
2. Regular monthly meeting—second Tuesday of each month.
3. Increased interest and attendance.
4. Setting up of an annual Alumni day during June graduation.
5. Create a perpetual Scrap-book.
6. Continued efforts toward accreditation.
7. Formation of the following strong, active, aggressive committees—Publicity, Homecoming Activities, Good Will, Social, Membership, Academic, Athletic, Finance.

You will no doubt agree that we have selected a rather ambitious schedule. But let's all be optimistic. With your support we will make great progress. Select an activity you are interested in and let us know you are willing to serve. If you desire to work on some project not listed above, advise us and we will see that action is taken. Come to our meetings. Be a part of your Alumni Association. Come on in and grow with

the school because it is a certainty that the school will grow whether we do or we don't. Let's all be a part of it.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

F. S. Clair Pittman,
President.

Nances Receive Many Friends of Tampa U.

Dr. and Mrs. Ellwood C. Nance opened the Homecoming festivities on Nov. 17 with a reception for 1500 guests in the University of Tampa lobby and ballroom.

Receiving with the Nances were David E. Smiley, chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Mrs. Smiley, along with new faculty members, department heads and Alumni Association officers.

The reception is an annual feature of Homecoming. This year invitations were extended to the student body and friends of the University, as is customarily done. Refreshments were served in the ballroom, with background music by a string trio.

The occasion lived up to its tradition as one of the Homecoming highlights.

The hostess was talking to one of her guests as the two sat on the lawn listening to a chimes recital.

"Beautiful, aren't they?" remarked the hostess.

"Pardon?" inquired the guest.

"I say, they're beautiful, aren't they?"

"Sorry," roared the guest, "but I can't hear a word you're saying for those darned chimes."

Housewife—"Are these eggs strictly fresh?"

Grocer (to clerk) "Feel of those eggs, Jim, and see if they're cool enough to sell yet."

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Now You Tell One

Doctor (examining the patient) "Any scars on you?"

Patient—"No, but I got some cigarettes in my coat pocket."

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"Darling," said the newly engaged lover, "we're going to have a glorious time this evening. I've got four tickets to the theater."

"But, darling" asked his fiancée, "why four seats?"

"Two for your mother and father, and two for your brother and sister," he answered.

* * *

The famous actor was proposing for the nth time.

"Why Mr. Marrymore," said the lady, "I like you in many ways, but I have heard so much—"

"My dear," interrupted her suitor, "you really should not credit all those old wives' tales about me."

Back the Spartans!

Your Alumni Association has Pledged Funds to help the University of Tampa Field a Winning, Representative football team and build a sound Athletic Program of which we can all be proud.

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Our Goal: \$16,000!

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You can help make this drive a success! Contact the Alumni office, University of Tampa, or F. S. Clair Pittman, c/o John M. Hammer, Life Insurance Agency, Tampa Theater Bldg., Phone 2-3788.

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**Alumni Association
University of Tampa**

PITTMAN ELECTED ALUMNI PRESIDENT

By JUANITA KOLKA

Chairman, Nominating Committee

F. S. Clair Pittman was elected president of the University of Tampa Alumni Association in the election that climaxed the annual business meeting of the association preceding the banquet and dance at the Crystal Ball.

Campaigning was spirited and resulted in the largest attendance of any business meeting in the history of the Association.

Alumni in attendance enthusiastically applauded campaign speeches delivered by the presidential candidates. Contrary to most political campaigns, there was no mud-slinging and the candidates were high in their praise of each other.

All pledged to work diligently for the welfare of the University of Tampa and the Association during the coming year.

Pittman succeeds John (Strawberry) Cox who has completed a successful year as head of the association and played a big part in making the 1949 homecoming the biggest in history.

Other officers elected were Robert Anderson, vice president; Doyle Bluemle, secretary; Marion Neal Zalmano, treasurer.

Elected members of the Board of Managers were Wallace (Bud) Pepper, Dr. Paul J. McCloskey, Jack Tanner and Paul Myers.

George Jack, Florence Flanders Williers and Mary Joe Glenn were appointed by Pittman to fill places on the board created by the elections of Anderson and Bluemle and the resignation of Manuel Alvarez.

Children of Alumni Entertained At Party

Eighty-five children of the alumni were entertained by Dr. and Mrs. Ellwood C. Nance at the first annual kiddies' party, Saturday, November 19, in the University of Tampa Ballroom.

The guests, who were accompanied by their parents, received crepe paper hats and noise-makers as favors. Ice cream and cookies were served the youngsters to add to the party atmosphere.

Members of the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity helped entertain the children with several unusual games. Most of the excitement centered around a game in which balloons were tied to the children's ankles, the object being to break someone else's balloon, at the same time protecting your own.

The kiddies party is planned as an annual Homecoming event.



FIRST CHILDREN'S PARTY for children of alumni was a big feature of the 1949 Homecoming Celebration. Here mother's of alumni children pose at university affair. Dr. Ellwood C. Nance, University president, and John Cox, Alumni Association president, (left to right, center) were on hand to see that all enjoyed themselves. (Photo courtesy of University of Tampa News Bureau.)

168 Guests Attended Homecoming Banquet

By FLORENCE WILLIERS

To you who attended the Homecoming Banquet, we of the reservation and table arrangement committee wish to express our sincere thanks for your presence and for the kind words passed on to us. If the banquet was fun for you we are pleased and rewarded for our part in helping to make the 18th Homecoming a memorable one.

It was our job to make the banquet tables pleasing to the eye. This we did by the use of "mums," greenery, fall leaves and candles. The speakers table had a more formal flower arrangement than other tables and a special table was set up for past Alumni Presidents. On this table the flowers were white. The colors of red and yellow were used as much as possible for warmth of color appeal on all tables.

Places were set for 150 and we had 168 guests. Isn't it wonderful that so many attended. We hope that each of you will be back next year and with a guest.

As chairman of the committee may I give those who so ably helped me a pat on the back. My special thanks to Mickey Manucy, Juanita Kolka, Jackie Parkerson, Verna Vining, Betty Bluemle and Jane Pittman.

JOIN NOW!

To carry on its ambitious program to put the Alumni Association on the map so it can do an even better job of helping the University of Tampa, the association needs the active support of every alumnus. Join the association and help us with the big job ahead in 1950. Just send in \$1.00 to pay your annual dues and we will mail you your membership card. Mail your dues payment to the Treasurer, Alumni Association, University of Tampa alumni office.



RANDOM PHOTOS from University of Tampa Homecoming celebration (1949) show two views of the reception at the Alumni Children's Party with Mrs. Clark's four daughters and the Pittmans' four sons; and scenes from the annual (background) are Albert Moshell and Mrs. Moshell, Mrs. Al Yorkunas, Mrs. Miller K. Adams and Mr. Adams; Mrs. Croc (courtesy of University of Tampa News Bureau).



... at the President's Reception (top, left and right); Proud Parents Elinor Saxon Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Clair Pittman
... banquet at the Crystal Ball. Seated at the table for Past Presidents of the Alumni Association (lower right, in the
... Farnell and Mr. Farnell, O. W. (Bill) Moody, Jr., Clyde R. Bergwin and Mrs. Moody and Mrs. Bergwin. (Photos

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study" in preparation for full membership in the Association.

On Monday, President Nance and Dean Rhodes appeared before the committee again. The committee had already studied the report which they had submitted Oct. 1st of this year. The committee — the composition of which changes every two years—had already studied the reports of 87 other Southern colleges who seek membership in the accrediting agency and while friendly and sympathetic, did not promise us anything. Dr. Nance and Dean Rhodes were somewhat discouraged.

Dean Rhodes had to return to meet with his classes. Dr. Nance remained until Thursday to attend other sessions of the educators convention and to visit some other colleges and the University of Houston. On the last morning of the convention at the business session, he learned that the University of Tampa had been put on the list for a "special study" this academic year.

At the Houston meeting, Dr. Nance and Dean Rhodes were able to point to the following improvements as indicative of the University's progress during the past four and a half years:

1. Increase in enrollment from 200 to 1200.
2. Increase in faculty from 13 to 45.
3. Increase in faculty salaries of a little more than \$1,000 per faculty member.
4. The establishment of an Accident, Health, Death and Hospitalization Insurance Plan for all faculty, staff and maintenance personnel paid for entirely by the University.
5. Standardization of the Library and the addition of two full-time Librarians to the Library staff.
6. The addition of three new buildings, increasing our total floor space to 170,000 square feet.
7. The gift of 200 acres from the city for a new campus, plus 11 lots adjoining the stadium given by the county for an Athletic Dormitory or parking space.
8. Property improvement and new equipment amounting to approximately \$200,000.
9. Improvement in our academic work.
10. Addition of new courses and the new department of Adult Education.
11. The successful conclusion of our efforts to raise an endowment fund of \$500,000. (\$85,000 of this has not been collected and invested yet, but it will be by the end of this academic year.)
12. Regular financial support from the county and city.
13. The admission of our students to other colleges and universities.
14. The approval of the University by the United States Veterans Administration for the education of Veterans under the G.I. Bill of Rights.
15. The acceptance of our students

into the Officers Reserve Corps of the U. S. Air Force.

16. The employment of our graduate teachers in the public school system.

17. A general acceptance for employment of all our graduates in the various professions and business enterprises of the community, here and elsewhere.

18. The effective participation of our staff, faculty and student body in the larger social, cultural and civic life of the local community.

19. An increasing recognition of our college on the part of learned organizations.

20. An active Alumni Association.

What is meant by a "Special Study?"

It means that a committee appointed by the Executive Committee of the Southern Association and composed of a group of educators from other colleges and universities will visit the University for a period of several days for a careful inspection and examination of every department and operation of the University.

We may expect the examining committee members to study the records of the Business and Alumni Offices, attend classes, study our methods of instruction, inspect our equipment (physical and instructional), interview our students, faculty, staff, trustees, alumni, townspeople. They may also talk to officials of the local public school system and to business firms who have employed our graduates. The committee will undoubtedly give a considerable amount of time to our academic standards, our methods and standards of admission, our methods of grading and system of examination. There will, no doubt, be some surprises which we cannot foresee.

We know of two or three strikes against us but we will, of course, try to remove these before the committee arrives. If the committee examines us on the basis of our report of October 1st, which is the usual procedure, they will find us short on faculty and endowment. If they judge us according to what they find when they arrive, and their arrival is after the beginning of the second semester, these two handicaps will be removed.

We should caution against optimism. Many schools that have passed through the preparation period for membership in the Southern Association have had more than one "special study" before they were finally admitted. But we do have reason to be thankful that in the estimation of the Southern Association, we have reached the status of being worthy of a "special study."

"You should be ashamed of yourself, laughing at that fat man."

"I'm just having fun at his expense."

"That speaker certainly made a hit."

"What did he talk about?"

"About five minutes."

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main burden of the campaign must and properly should be borne by the alumni, he pointed out.

"We believe it is good business to have a growing university in the community's midst," Pittman said. "We want to see football continued at the University because we believe a well-rounded program of extra-curricular activities, athletic as well as cultural, is important from a promotional standpoint, both to the University and the City of Tampa.

We would not, however, desire to see football or any other extra-curricular activity carried on if it were to create such a financial burden for the University that it would be a hindrance to early accreditation of the institution. For that reason and also to make certain that Spartan football may be continued on a sound basis, the Alumni Association has pledged itself to raise \$16,000 to help finance the University's athletic program.

"We have obligated ourselves to do a job and we will deliver the goods. Already we are organized for a hard-hitting campaign to produce at least this amount of money in a comparatively short time.

"There are some 4,000 alumni of the University of Tampa living in this vicinity. The Alumni Association and the alumni committee heading this drive is looking to each of these former students and graduates to put their shoulders to the wheel and help us get this big job done.

"The University and our town should be represented by a winning football team. The financial assistance we propose to give will go a long way toward producing a winner.

The campaign will start shortly after the holiday season, said Pittman, Tampa insurance man and former Spartan football star.

The Alumni committee will be divided into four teams to be headed by Capt. Bill Fisher, an officer in the Florida National Guard; Dr. Paul McCloskey, Tampa physician; Rudy Rodriguez, sporting goods dealer, and Crockett Farnell, Hillsborough County school superintendent.

Each of these men starred on pre-war Spartan football teams.

Other members of the committee include Paul Straub, Alfred Manucy, Marvin Chancey, Wallace Pepper, Doyle Bluemle, Orris Beynon, Dr. Robert Trasmontana, Art Trubiano, Clyde Evans, George C. Spoto, Bill Moody, Salvadore Cappello, Arthur Burroughs, Dr. Bryan Wilson, Manuel Alvarez, Joe Mills, Jimmie Whitehead, Tom Johnson, Bill Hippenmeier, Bruce Klay, Tommy Waugh, Charles Fendig, Jack Painter, Clyde Bergwin, R. C. Anderson, James Bryan, Hector Ginesta, Victor Hatch, Alvin Yorkunas, Frank Clinton, Sam Alfiere, Marion Lee, Tony Kolka, Sam Marrotta, Xavier Cannella Dr. H. W. Hewett, John Cox, Dick Spoto, Joe Rubin, Braulio

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1949 Homecoming 'Biggest and Best,' Says Student Head

By TONY IPPOLITO

The University's 1949 Homecoming was undoubtedly the biggest and best Homecoming in the history of the university. More students, alumni, administrative staff and friends of the university participated than at any other time.

It is a wonderful feeling to say that we had this undivided cooperation of everyone to make our Homecoming a success.

The concert and dance by a "name band" helped considerably toward drawing a capacity crowd. This was topped off by a barbecue given by friends of the university at the home of State Senator Raymond Sheldon. Unique and welcoming was the first party for children of the alumni.

But it is my contention that the alumni should meet regularly and give more support to the university. Possibly meeting quarterly would contribute much towards a greater university, and therefore help the students attending the university. It is rather hard to take care of a year's business during just a few weeks' time.

Whitehead Will Leave Tampa U.

James Whitehead, a loyal alumnus and public relations director for the University of Tampa, has accepted the important post of director of public relations for the National Conference of Christians and Jews with headquarters at Miami.

His departure from the University will be keenly felt by Dr. E. C. Nance, the faculty, students and alumni whom Whitehead has served so diligently and faithfully for several years. He is to be congratulated, however, for his selection for this important position with a national organization of such high standing and which is doing such splendid work in the field of interracial cooperation and understanding.

It is understood that Whitehead and his wife, Celeste, soon will leave Tampa to make their home in Miami. They will carry with them the best wishes of their associates and many friends here.

A man had sent in a claim to the income tax department for \$45 refund on his tax. He had made a mistake, however, and in checking his figures the department found the error and sent him a check for \$80. The taxpayer acknowledged this by letter, saying: "Gentlemen: I am now 68 years old, and at last I believe in Santa Claus."



SPEAKERS' TABLE at the annual alumni banquet was graced by Tony Ippolito, student body president; Mrs. John Dolcater and Mr. Dolcater, president, Tampa Chamber of Commerce; Al Yorkunas, Class of '39, and Doyle Bluemle, master of ceremonies, (standing); Mrs. Ellwood C. Nance and Dr. Nance, University President; Mrs. John Cox and Mr. Cox, Alumni president; Mrs. Bluemle, and Mrs. M. C. Rhodes and Dean Rhodes. (Photo courtesy of Tampa News Bureau.)

'39ers Celebrate 10-Year Reunion

By AL YORKUNAS
Class of '39

The Class of '39 adopted a resolution to reunite 10 years from the happy occasion of their graduation from the University of Tampa. This promise was fulfilled, entirely in spirit and 10 percent in actuality, at this year's homecoming celebration.

On Saturday, Nov. 19, '39ers gathered for a few minutes in the University lobby for solitary reminiscing and then joined the main alumni body at the barbecue at Senator Sheldon's ranch. All agreed that '39ers looked as they did in '39, but for some reason the newer alumni were getting out of school much younger, apparently.

During the half-time intermission at the Homecoming Game, your correspondent, acting as self-appointed custodian of the Phophecy Capsule "Treasure Map," dug up the prophesy with amazing dispatch, hustling off the field by eluding three Seminole blockers at the kick-off for the second half. Classmate Orris Beynon managed to duck the digging detail by staging a three-alarm police call elsewhere at the prescribed time. In his absence, we drafted the services of Joe Mills and Willard Driscoll, who responded like the lower classmates they were in 1939.

The class prophesy allowed the '39ers

to have their "moment" at the annual banquet Saturday night as Anne McCurdy O'Grady read humorous and amazingly accurate prognostications she and Ozzie had set forth a decade ago.

Participating in the Homecoming activities also were Oswald Delgado, Dick Spoto, Grace Bruton, Fred Rodgers, Stella Rogers, Blanche Sessions McMullen, Mary Ann Sampey Yorkunas, Myrtle Reese and Mildred Rupe Thursby.

"My poor fellow," said the lady, "here is a quarter for you. Goodness gracious, it must be dreadful to be lame, but just think how much worse it would be if you were blind."

"Yer right, lady," agreed the beggar, "when I was blind I was always getting counterfeit money."

Fun at Banquet, Dance Described

The 1949 Homecoming Banquet and Dance at the Crystal Ball was the most enjoyable and successful function of its kind in the history of the University of Tampa.

President John Cox of the Alumni Association, after a brief address, introduced Doyle Bluemle, who acted as master of ceremonies for the evening. Bluemle then introduced the guests at the speakers' table including Dr. and Mrs. M. C. Rhodes, Mrs. Doyle Bluemle, Mr. and Mrs. Cox, Dr. and Mrs. Ellwood C. Nance, Mr. and Mrs. John Dolcater and Tony Ippolito, student body president.

During the dinner, entertainment was provided by Buddy Waples and his orchestra.

Dr. Nance then spoke on the growth of our University, and cited statistics from such universities as Harvard, Yale, Colgate and others. Our growth compares, in a like number of years, quite favorably with these larger institutions. In a few cases, he pointed out, our progress has been far more rapid than theirs. In closing he reported that our dreams for accreditation are nearing a successful climax.

Bluemle then introduced Al Yorkunas who gave a talk on the class reunion of the "Class of '39." Anne McCurdy O'Grady read the Class Prophecy of this class which proved to be most delightful to everyone.

The Master of Ceremonies then told a story about a man who had three daughters . . . this is all that can be printed, however. Those of you who want this story repeated to them are referred to Bluemle, who did a masterful job of presiding over the affair.

A special table was set up for past presidents of the Alumni Association. Those who sat at this table were Mr. and Mrs. Miller K. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moshell, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bergwin, Mr. and Mrs. Crockett Farnell and Mr. and Mrs. O. W. (Bill) Moody Jr.

John Dolcater, president of the Tampa Chamber of Commerce, was the principal speaker of the evening and gave a most interesting talk on how the development of our University has kept pace with the growth of our city. He rated the University of Tampa along with MacDill Field and other valuable assets in its economic importance to the city.

Mr. Dolcater's remarks were interspersed with humor and his address was highly entertaining as well as informative.

The dinner closed with introduction of newly-elected officers: F. S. Clair Pittman, president; Andy Anderson, vice president; Doyle L. Bluemle, secretary, and Marion Zalmano, treasurer.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to dancing.

Students Enjoyed 18th Homecoming

By LEONARD H. GOTLER
Student Press Representative

Students at the University of Tampa are still talking about the eighteenth annual Homecoming and the many activities which it featured, several of which had never been included in the festivities.

Among the new events was a barbecue on Saturday, Nov. 19, at the ranch home of State Senator and Mrs. Raymond Sheldon. The 2000 guests, including many students, faculty members, and alumni, have expressed their appreciation to the Sheldons for their fine hospitality.

The barbecue attracted a group of talented horseback riders and picnickers, all of whom were satiated by the Sheldons' complete entertainment facilities. Lunch-time music was provided by Old Brother Charlie and Daisy Mae. Roy Lucas and his cowboy band then took over to accommodate the guests who wanted to dance.

The Senator's party followed a post-game dance on Friday night at the Davis Islands Coliseum. For the first time since 1941, when Barry McKinley and his orchestra were featured for Homecoming here, a nationally famous young band leader, Dean Hudson, was signed to play for the Annual Homecoming dance. Hudson's group has long been popular with college students throughout the country, and he was well-received here.

It is hoped that these and the many other successful events which marked the University of Tampa's eighteenth annual Homecoming not only will be duplicated but expanded for the coming year. This can be accomplished easily if student and alumni groups will continue to cooperate for the betterment of the University and the community.

Professor—"What are the names of the bones in your hand, Mr. Roller?"
College freshman—"Dice."

Foreman—"Why are you late?"

Apprentice—"Whistle blew before I got here."

Champ Spartans Open Ambitious Cage Schedule

By PAUL L. MYERS
Business Manager,

U. of T. Athletic Department

It is basketball season at the University of Tampa, and top-flight games are on the schedule for the followers of the Spartans.

These Dixie Conference Champs of last season are playing one of the toughest schedules faced by any college in the South this season.

The Spartans have the same players of last year's championship team, such as: McWilliams, Mullins, H. Bryan, A. Bryan, Aplin, Booros, Montz, Thrift and Baity. Newcomers to the squad are: Menna and Davis from Miami, and O'Neil and Griffin, former Hillsborough High School stars.

The Spartan season started in "Yankee Land," when the boys played Siena College in Albany, New York, on December 10. The games to be played include twelve home games, and most important of all, the Dixie Conference Tourney, to be played in Tampa February 27 and 28 and March 1.

The Spartans have acquitted themselves well against some of the nation's top-ranking teams and deserve the support of alumni and friends of the university when they begin their home-game schedule.

The remainder of the schedule follows:

December 10, Siena College, Albany, N. Y.; December 14, Villanova, Philadelphia, Penn.; December 23, Ole Miss, Tampa; December 27, Pennsylvania, Tampa; December 30, Sewanee, Tampa; January 6, Miami, Miami; January 12, Florida State, Tampa; January 17, U. of Florida, Tampa; January 20, Stetson, Tampa; January 27, Mercer, Tampa; January 30, Western Kentucky, Tampa; January 31, Stetson, Deland; February 4, Florida Southern, Lakeland; February 6, Miami, Tampa; February 11, Florida State, Tallahassee; February 14, Mercer, Macon; February 16, Erskine, Tampa; February 17, Florida Southern, Tampa; February 22, U. of Florida, Gainesville; February 24, Wofford, Tampa; February 27 and 28 and March 1, Dixie Conference Tourney, Tampa.

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Alonso, Joe DiBona and Michael Baccarella.

Many of the committee members also are former Spartan footballers and all have been active in University of Tampa alumni affairs.

All alumni willing to help in the drive were urged to contact some member of the committee or to communicate with the alumni office at the University.