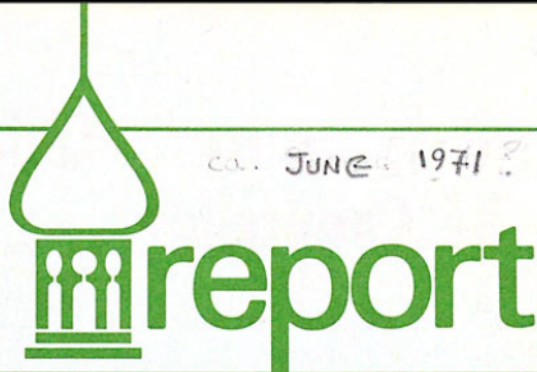


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A New Decade - A New President - A New Chancellor



DR. DELO



DR. OWENS

Dr. DeLo Retires from Presidency, Appointed Chancellor by Trustees

The man who reversed the fate of the University of Tampa from failure to success, beginning more than twelve years ago, Dr. David M. DeLo, will retire from the Presidency in August. But he will continue his dedication to the institution as Chancellor.

Educator, author and geologist, Dr. DeLo became President in 1958, a time when the little commuting college appeared doomed by the shadow of the University of South Florida soon to open.

Dr. and Mrs. DeLo accepted this crisis as a challenge for the University to strengthen its aims and broaden its goals. With quiet determination and enthusiasm they shaped new concepts and new plans. Their tireless efforts won good friends and support for the University around the nation.

The DeLo record speaks for itself. Dr. DeLo's first ten years in office have been called "The Decade of

Achievement", and the ensuing two years have brought more of the same.

Today the campus that was ten acres broad in 1958 is forty acres in size. Two major buildings have grown to a total of twelve.

The original main building (Plant Hall) has been refurbished and is the focal point of the campus. This building contains a series of unusual classrooms representing historic and ethnic themes and is toured by thousands of visitors each year.

As a result of strengthened recruiting to attract more resident students, five dormitories now house 900 students. The student body has doubled and comes from fifty states and fifteen foreign countries. The focus of student activity is a modern Student Center which accommodates approximately 500 persons for meals

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Ohio Educator Named President Of U. of Tampa

First choice among seven highly qualified candidates, Dr. B. D. Owens, Vice President for Research and Financial Affairs at Bowling Green, Ohio State University, at thirty-five will become the University of Tampa's sixth and youngest President.

Prematurely gray and distinguished in appearance, Dr. Owens will bring to the University next June a strong background in finance, which should prove invaluable in the all-important presidential task of fund-raising.

Having joined the Bowling Green faculty in 1962, Dr. Owens later traveled to several European finance centers to study international financing techniques and business operations. His research was instrumental in establishing the finance phase of Bowling Green's international business program.

Active in the business world, Dr. Owens has served on several boards of directors and in numerous education and business consulting capacities.

A turning point in his academic career came in 1966-67 when he took a leave of absence from Bowling Green to serve an internship with the President's office at Indiana University. He served under IU President Elvis Starr, who has been acclaimed one of America's finest university presidents.

Shortly after his return to Bowling Green, Dr. Owens was named Assistant to the President, responsible for communications between administration, faculty and students and handling special assignments involving the President's office.

Aside from administrative and

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Dr. Delo Retires To Be Chancellor

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and provides supplementary meeting and recreation areas.

A theatre, which doubles daily as a teaching auditorium, now supplies space for a growing cultural and drama program. A library costing more than one and a third million dollars, has been completed, and new expanded quarters have been provided for Art and Industrial Arts. A bold future development program is being planned to reach its climax during the fiftieth year of the University in 1981.

The administration has been reorganized and the academic program has been fortified, reorganized and upgraded. Student retention standards have been raised. A new, more flexible core curriculum has been established to permit students a greater degree of specialization. Two summer school sessions have replaced the original one, and an intersession emphasizing work-study projects has been initiated during fall-spring semester break.

Through careful academic and fiscal management, the budget has been balanced each year and has increased from below one million dollars to more than five million dollars for 1969-70. Annual gifts have amounted to over one million dollars during the past two years.

The University has broadened its service to the community through its evening school, offer-

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teaching duties, Dr. Owens has contributed frequently to various scholarly publications. He has received many awards in recognition of his outstanding classroom teaching.

Before entering academic and business fields, Dr. Owens won military distinction by becoming a commissioned Air Force officer and pilot at age nineteen.

ing both credit and non-credit courses, a successful credit program at MacDill Air Force Base and a carefully tailored program for members of the Tampa Police and Fire Departments.

Dr. Delo initiated the retirement plans by submitting a request for retirement to the Board of Trustees. He has accepted the job of Chancellor at the request of the Trustees, and in this position he will be involved in selective fundraising, mostly by personal contact.

The Board sees the creation of the two-year Chancellor's post as a vital step in making the transition period from one president to another as orderly as possible without losing any of the momentum the University has gained during Dr. Delo's tenure.

Of his appointment as Chancellor Dr. Delo said, "I'm very happy to continue a meaningful relationship with the University in a capacity in which I can make further contributions to its progress and growth."

A man of quiet assurance, Dr. Owens expects to continue steering the University of Tampa in the Delo tradition of dignity, high ideals and strength of purpose. His youthfulness may well be an asset in developing programs that will be especially meaningful to today's "different" kind of student.

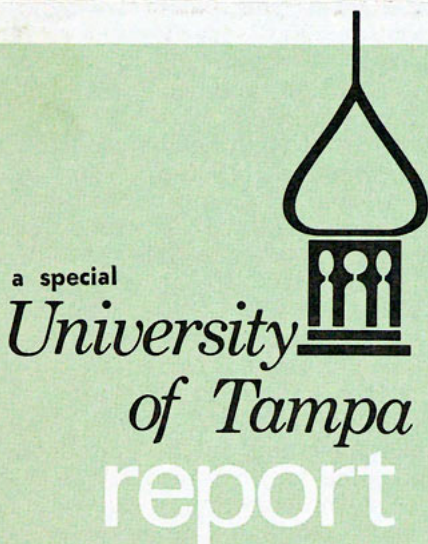
In accepting the Presidency Dr. Owens cited the University of Tampa as a "Landmark of Learning". He said, "The characteristics of the University of Tampa measure well. The potential of its leadership position in private higher education in the 1970's is excitingly near and well within reach. New visions and creative, dedicated people in a fine learning environment can bring the University of Tampa to new heights in higher education."

Dr. Owens said that because he is a people-oriented person, he looks to staff rather than buildings as the "criteria for greatness" in a university.

A native of Grant City, Missouri, Dr. Owens was Student Body President of Northwest Missouri State College, where he was graduated with highest honors and the Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in 1959.

At the University of Pennsylvania, where he earned his doctorate, he was S.S. Huebner Foundation for Insurance Scholar in 1959-60 and S.S. Huebner Foundation Fellow during 1960-62.

He and his wife, Sue, have two sons, Brent, eight, and Kevin, five.



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