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Campus Development Progresses

Founders' Day Important Event

The 1961 annual Founders' Day dinner was held Dec. 5 at Tampa Yacht and Country Club. Governor Farris Bryant was the featured speaker.

The governor urged financial support for higher education in the state and remarked that "we in state government attach much importance to the independent institutions of higher education in Florida."

Calling on the state's businessmen for this support, he cited the example of a bank in Boca Raton which in November became the first Florida business to adopt a plan whereby one per cent of its profits will be donated to an educational activity.

"The backing of this community is vital to the University of Tampa if it is to fulfill the dreams its founders held for it some 30 years ago," Governor Bryant said. "That those dreams are fulfilled and those objectives achieved is important not only to this university, its students and its faculty, but to our state and nation."

The dinner honored the men who founded the University in 1931. They were R. J. Binnicker, Frank D. Jackson, Carl D. Brorein, James T. Swann, W. G. Brorein, Alexander Akerman, J. B. Sutton, James W. Morris, George M. Osborn, E. J. Keefe, Ernest Maas, Charles F. Blake, A. L. Cuesta, Jr., S. E. Thomason, John B. Anderson, Jr., W. P. Adamson, John S. Helms, J. A. Griffin, D. B. McKay, V. V. Sharpe, Charles A. McKeand, George B. Howell, and M. W. Carothers. Frederick Spaulding, now living in Connecticut, was the University's first president.

Of the original founders, still living are Tampans Binnicker, Carl Brorein, Keefe, Blake, Cuesta, and Sharpe. Dr. Milton W. Carothers, another founder, resides in Tallahassee, where he is vice-president of Florida State University.

Brorein, chairman of the University's board of trustees, was master of ceremonies at the dinner, and Blake, secretary of the board, spoke on the beginnings of the university.

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With the largest student body in our 30-year history and evidence of increasing public interest, confidence and support, this year should be the "best ever" for the University of Tampa.

Over the past three years we have made very real strides in rehabilitation of the physical plant, strengthening of the faculty and curriculum and expansion of educational facilities.

To meet the required transition from commuting to residential status, McKay and Smiley Halls were added in 1959; Lykes Hall in 1960; Crescent Hall for Women during the summer of 1961. In December construction of wings on McKay and Smiley Halls began.

Funds totalling three-fourths of the construction cost of the proposed Student Center have been secured from the H.H.F.A. and a campaign to secure the balance of necessary funds has begun. This building is a necessity because of our rapidly growing resident student body.

Plans are in the making for our campus of the future. Applications for admission for September, 1961, doubled over the previous year and all evidence points to a further major increase for 1962.

With students, faculty and administration working wholeheartedly together and with the help of alumni, parents and community friends, great progress should result.

DAVID M. DELO, President

Student Center Drive Underway

An intensified campaign to secure funds for construction of the proposed Student Center was announced by President DeLo at the Founders' Day Dinner Dec. 5.

The campaign, which is expected to receive strong backing from alumni, parents, corporations, and Tampa citizens, is geared to raise \$250,000 of the \$600,000 total cost. A federal college housing loan will supply more than half the required funds, Dr. DeLo pointed out, but the balance must be raised through public subscription prior to March 1.

A committee of selected businessmen who are members of the Merchants Association of Greater Tampa met on Dec. 6 to plan a special University of Tampa Day sometime in January. Colby Armstrong, executive vice-president of the Association, explained that a percentage of the gross sales of the participating businesses for that day would be turned over to the University for the new Student Center. Meeting with the group were President DeLo and Dr. Stephen Speronis, director of the Office of University Development.

This special program will be known as Operation CAP (Citizens for Academic Progress).

Dr. DeLo emphasized the importance of the Student Center being ready for use by September, 1962, and said it is hoped that construction can begin in February. He pointed out that the University is becoming "an institution of national scope" and is now in the middle of the transition from being a commuter institution to one resident in nature.

The new Student Center will be completely functional, modern and air-conditioned. Its dining room, snack bar and riverfront terrace will provide dining facilities for the 1,100 students expected in residence by the fall of 1963. The two small dining rooms now operated by the University can accommodate only the approximately 500 students now in residence. Also planned for the two-story center are a lounge, meeting rooms, book store, post office and game room.

2,048 Students, Mail Increase Set New Records

The University's enrollment is at an all-time high of 2,048 this year, including full-time and Evening Division students. An additional 250 are enrolled in the General Studies Division, and 569 in the university's MacDill Air Force Base resident program.

Indicative of this increase is the rise in the number of inquiries directed to the Office of the Registrar. Dr. Willis J. Dunn, director of admissions and registrar, reports that there has been a 100 per cent increase in the amount of mail coming into his office during the period of Sept. 1 to Nov. 30, 1961, as compared to the same period in 1960. For the same period, mail going out of the office, including catalogues and similar materials, has increased 75 per cent.

Applications from non-Florida students have increased 87 per cent, and from Florida residents, 59 per cent. The number of transcripts received for evaluation from colleges and high schools has increased 73 per cent during the above period.

The student recruitment program is an important factor in the increased interest in the university. Representatives of the university have attended college days throughout Florida and the Northeast, addressing high school seniors and their parents, interviewing applicants, and distributing catalogues and brochures to prospective students.

NEW YORK MEETING

President Delo and Director of Development Speronis traveled to New York City in November to attend a meeting of 200 parents of students from that area and report a highly successful gathering.

During the same trip, President Delo attended the annual meeting of the Association of Urban Universities in Chicago, Nov. 5.

Gifts Aid Development

Ethnic Groups Decorate Rooms

Various ethnic and professional organizations are currently reconstructing a series of classrooms in the main building.

A number of these are planned by ethnic groups, and each will be characteristic of the history and culture of the particular group represented.

First of these rooms to be completed was the Israeli Room, the only one of its type in the United States. Dedicated in ceremonies Oct. 22, it was decorated by members of the Jewish Community of Tampa, headed by Lou Gordon, president of Tampa Chapter, Zionist Organization of America.

Featuring the national colors of Israel, blue and white, in the classroom door and floor tiling, the room has built-in bookcases and blackboards on walnut-paneled walls. Featured is a display of Israeli artifacts and a selection of books on Hebrew culture which are not to be found in any other library.

Second in the series of ethnic rooms will be a Hellenic History Room, made possible through the efforts of members of the Greek community in Tampa and surrounding areas, headed by Nicholas Mann of Lakeland. The architectural theme will depict contemporary Hellenistic design and decor.

Construction also was started during the Christmas holidays on the Mabel Lamson Currier Room, for which a magnificent set of Elizabethan furniture and funds for reconstruction of the room in Elizabethan fashion were contributed by Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Von Kienbusch of New York City. Named in honor of Mrs. Von Kienbusch's mother, the room will feature a conference table and 12 chairs and will be used for upperclass seminars and special conference meetings.

Several other groups are now planning rooms, including an Italian Room, an American History Room, and one contributed by the Cigar Manufacturers Association of Tampa.

Foundation Gives \$35,000 Grant

Educational and cultural facilities of the University have been greatly expanded with the announcement that the Falk-Mandel Charity Foundation of Tampa has contributed a gift of \$35,000 to the University to be used toward purchase of the Park Theater, located adjacent to the campus.

Announcement of the gift and purchase of the movie theater was made Dec. 26 by President Delo and representatives of the Foundation. They are Frank E. Mandel, president of the Foundation and of O. Falk's Department Store, and Mrs. David A. Falk, secretary of the Foundation and widow of Mr. Falk, a former chairman of the university's board of trustees and active civic leader in Tampa.

The theater will be renamed the David A. Falk Memorial Theater after its acquisition by the University about March 1, 1962. Originally built as a legitimate theater and seating 1,100, the building will be "an enormous contribution to the University's program and to the community as a whole," President Delo said.

It will serve as a cultural center not only for the University but for the community, he pointed out. It will be used for presentation of the University's visiting artists and lecture series, for university dramatic productions and an expanded Film Classics series, as a center for radio and television production and teaching, and for educational television, and for productions and practice for the Music Department.

It will also be used as a teaching auditorium for large lecture classes and will be the site of all University convocations, adequate facilities for which the University has lacked.

Total cost of the building, now owned by Wometco Enterprises of Miami, is \$175,000. The University will pay the remainder of the purchase price over a period of 10 years, President Delo said.

FOUNDERS' DAY . . .

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Members of the original faculty, Rabbi David L. Zielonka, Dr. Guy G. Becknell, and Dr. Louis Nava, were special guests at the dinner, as was Mrs. Anne Carey Gaylord, the University's first student. The University concert choir, under the direction of Dr. Harvey E. Maier, presented a musical program.

The University Medal for 1961 was awarded at the dinner to Jerome A. Waterman of Tampa, recently elected to the board of trustees, for his services to the community, state and the university.

Climaxing the dinner, President Delo spoke of future plans for the University and announced a campaign to start immediately to raise \$250,000 for the construction of the proposed Student Center. Other additions to the campus, planned for a 10-year development program at the cost of \$5 million, include a science building, a modern library, music building, classroom building, art building, and added physical education facilities.



Lou Gordon, right, president of Tampa Chapter, Zionist Organization of America, and President Delo admire a silver vase which is one of the artifacts on display in the new Israeli Room at the University.



This former residential hotel is now a women's residence hall at the University. Once the Crescent Hotel, it was renamed Crescent Hall for Women and houses 160 students.

Added Housing For Students

Coeds at the University of Tampa are living in unique surroundings this year in the former Crescent Hotel, purchased last summer by the University at a cost of \$500,000 and renamed "Crescent Hall".

The new dormitory, a double-winged, six-story structure of boom-time stucco vintage, has long been known as one of Tampa's best residential hotels. The air-conditioned rooms in the building presently house 160 students, in one-two- and three-girl rooms, each with its own bath. Construction this summer created a kitchen and dining hall on the ground floor. The cafeteria provides meals for dormitory students and university personnel.

The students are under the supervision of Mrs. Constance Barth and Mrs. Mary Ellen Coomer. Assisting the dormitory directors is a council of nine women residents, under the leadership of dormitory president Tina Sichel of Toledo, Ohio.

Wings Are Started

Construction of wings on McKay and Smiley Halls, which will provide housing for an additional 166 men, began in early December.

The Tampa firm of Jones-Mahoney, low bidder with \$480,000, is expected to complete the wings early next summer for occupancy in September, 1962. The construction is being financed by a \$509,000 loan awarded the University last summer by the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

Of brick construction similar to that of the two residence halls completed in 1959, the wings were designed by the Tampa architectural firm of Fletcher, Robbins, and Valenti.

A minimum of 1,000 living spaces will be required by 1963, when it is anticipated that out-of-state students will comprise approximately 80% of the student body.

Team Completes Its Best Season

The University of Tampa football team has just finished its best season in the history of the school. Their achievement was capped by the honor of being chosen for the Tangerine Bowl, an accolade which the team unfortunately could not accept, due to non-membership in the N.C.A.A.

From the opener with Livingston, the Spartans seemed to have that "New Look" forecast by the athletic department. The team rose to the occasion on that first day, battling its way through three home games with a straight win record. Then came the first road trip, where the Spartans, spurred on by Coach Huerta, came out on top of a 17-16 score. Back in Tampa, they met the mighty Southeastern Louisiana Lions, undefeated with six straight wins, and suffered the only loss of the season. The second road trip saw the team at Troy, an easy win which primed them for the Homecoming Game against fourth nationally ranked Northern Michigan. Tampa pulled the upset of the week by downing the Northern "Wildcats" before an excited crowd of 8,500 students and alumni.

A hard-fought game with Appalachian ended with Tampa again victorious. The final contest, with Wofford, was tense as the Terriers from Spartanburg took an early lead, but Tampa came through, narrowing the gap before the half, and finishing with a resounding victory.

The team as a whole is to be commended for its great year, during which several fine players consistently turned in top performances. Tony Yelovich was named the State's outstanding lineman after the Northern Michigan game, and Bob Moore was the choice for Back-of-the-Week following the Appalachian contest. Other outstanding players were Charlie Bailey, Captain, Ron Perez, Hollis Curling, Vaden Bes-sent, Jim Neve, Bill Rouse, Don Scott, and Blaine Turner.

'61 Homecoming Was Outstanding

One of the most successful homecoming celebrations in the history of the University was held Nov. 10-12, featuring the theme, "Frontier, 1961".

A variety of activities for students and alumni highlighted the three-day celebration, which featured the annual homecoming parade and the Spartan-Northern Michigan College football game the afternoon of Nov. 11. The Spartans won the game, 27-6, before a Homecoming crowd of 8,500.

Maj. Gen. Harold R. Maddux, vice commander of the Continental Air Command, Robins Air Force Base, Ga., presented a Veterans' Day address before alumni at their annual dinner meeting Nov. 11 at the Hillsboro Hotel. Another highlight of the well-attended dinner was the presentation of a pledge for \$15,000 from the Alumni Association to President Delo. It will go toward furnishings for the University's proposed Student Center.

The Homecoming Queen, Yolanda Gonzalez, who was sponsored by Theta Chi fraternity, was crowned Nov. 10. First maid was Ginger Sutton, sponsored by Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, and second maid, Carol Martin, sponsored by Sigma Phi Epsilon. The coronation ceremonies were followed by the annual "Spartan Splash", the fraternity and sorority homecoming skits.

Saturday morning, the Industrial Arts Department held its annual breakfast for 50 former students in Crescent Hall cafeteria. The new chapter house of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity was dedicated in ceremonies Saturday morning. Various fraternity alumni organizations also held open houses at the Hillsboro Hotel during the day.

The student homecoming dance was held Saturday night at Fort Homer Hesterly Armory. At that time, trophies were awarded for the winning lawn decorations, skit, and Homecoming parade floats.

As a climax to the 1961 Homecoming activities, unveiling ceremonies for portraits of the late Kenneth I. McKay and the late David E. Smiley were held at 3 p.m. Nov. 12 in the dormitories which bear their names.

The portraits, unveiled by members of the two families, will hang permanently in McKay and Smiley Halls.

McKay served as chairman of the University of Tampa board of trustees from 1940 until his death in 1945. Smiley succeeded McKay as chairman, and held this position until 1960, a year before his death.

The ceremonies were followed by an open house in Crescent Hall, featuring refreshments and a tour of the building.

CHAPTER BUYS HOUSE

Beta Lambda Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity at the University purchased a chapter house three blocks from the campus last fall at a cost of \$64,500.

Approximately 30 members of the chapter are now living in the building, formerly an apartment house. The house will be owned and operated by Beta Lambda chapter of Pi Kappa Phi Building Fund, Inc., composed largely of members of the fraternity's alumni association in Tampa.

15 Faculty Members Named

The University has added 15 new faculty members this year.

They are Dr. Paul H. Gottlieb, Theodore V. Dooley and Billy J. Reinhart, appointed instructors in the department of history and political science; Dr. Robert J. Nickel, associate professor of secondary education; Dr. Larry E. Shiner, assistant professor of philosophy and religion; Mrs. Milda G. Karklins, assistant professor, and William D. Leith, instructor, in the department of modern languages; William E. Gallagher and David L. Wade, instructors of English; Alfred Nash, instructor of art; Edmund E. Hegen, instructor of geography, and Miss Eleanor Daniells, instructor in music education.

Three are one-year replacements for regular faculty members who are on leave this year. They are Dr. Vahak Gadarian, lecturer in psychology in the Evening Division, replacing Michael E. Doran, assistant professor of psychology; Dr. Maria Rodriguez, assistant professor of elementary education, for James A. Chambers, assistant professor of education, and Charles M. Young, director of the University's radio station WTUN and instructor in radio, drama and speech, for John Von Szeliski, who held the same title.

Dr. Gottlieb is a former instructor of history at Boston State College and lecturer at the Boston University College of Liberal Arts. Dooley was a faculty member at Florida State University, and Reinhart is a recent graduate of the University of Alabama.

Dr. Nickel formerly was dean of student personnel at St. John's River Junior College, Palatka, Fla. Dr. Shiner taught on a fellowship last year at Strasbourg University, France, where he received his doctorate degree.

Mrs. Karklins was professor of modern language at Lakeland College, Wisconsin, and Leith, an alumnus of the University of Tampa, taught at Kissimmee High School, Fla.

New Office Is Established

As part of the long-range planning for the university's future, the Office of University Development was established Sept. 1.

Dr. Stephen L. Speronis, formerly dean of the Evening and General Studies Division, has been appointed as director of the new office. Associate professor of history and political science, he is a frequent speaker on current affairs in the Tampa area.



Dr. Speronis The office will serve as a focal point for long-range physical and fiscal planning. Under its general operations will be public relations, fund-raising and other aspects of development calculated to enhance the financial resources of the University.

15 Faculty (Continued) . . .

Gallagher comes to the University from the New York City school system, and Wade from Indiana University, where he recently received a master's degree.

Nash received a master's degree from UCLA, and Hegen was a former instructor at the University of Florida. Miss Daniells has had several years' experience teaching music both in public schools and on the college level.

A member of the Guidance Center of Hillsborough County, Dr. Gadarian recently taught in the special police instruction program at the University. Dr. Rodriguez, a native of the Philippines, recently received a PhD degree from the University of Florida and has had a number of years teaching experience. Young comes to the University from Florida Southern College, Lakeland, where he was a faculty member.

Staff Additions Are Announced

Three new appointments to the administrative staff of the University were announced by President Delo.

They are Dr. James W. Covington, named dean of the Evening and General Studies Division; Walter H. Hayes, Jr., appointed as dean of men, and Col. Frank Hutchins, new chief of public relations.

Dr. Covington replaces Dr. Stephen L. Speronis, who was appointed director of the Office of University Development. Professor of history and political science, Dr. Covington is an authority on Florida history.

A native of Vermont, Dean Hayes succeeds Frank Setear, who resigned to continue doctoral studies. He formerly was assistant dean in the College of General Studies and a lecturer in education at George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Col. Hutchins, who replaces Howard Sinsley who resigned last summer, retired from the Air Force last June. He comes to the university from Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala., where he was secretary of Air University, the educational command of the Air Force, for six years.

COLOMBIAN MUSICIAN IS STUDENT HERE

Luis Biava, from Bogota, Colombia, is currently attending the University on a scholarship provided by Mrs. Robert Crooks Stanley, of Staten Island, N. Y.

The former assistant concertmaster of the Symphonic Orchestra of Colombia, and first violinist with the String Quartet of Bogota, he is studying conducting, instruments, and composition. He also plays first violin in the Tampa Philharmonic Orchestra, and is concertmaster of the University Orchestra and of the University of Tampa String Quartet. His first solo recital in this country was held on Nov. 26.

Residing with him in Tampa are his wife Clara, and his two small sons, Peter and Luis.

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