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FOUR YEAR PROGRESS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TAMPA

by James Whitehead

Four years ago the University of Tampa had an enrollment of only 200 students. This past year over 1300 students were enrolled and this fall semester will see approximately the same number taking courses at the University. The progress of the past four years is evidenced by not only the increase in enrollment but by the overall growth of the institution. The faculty in 1945 numbered twenty-one professors. This year the faculty will number fifty and the staff will have increased from six to thirty-six members. In this period of time, 303 students have received degrees, and this number totals more than all previous graduating classes.

The budget for the operation of the University has increased from approximately \$80,000 to \$300,000 and all faculty members have received raises totaling \$1,050 in the past four years.

Three new buildings have been erected on the campus, and general improvements have been made throughout the 500 rooms of the original building. New equipment and property have been added, making a total of over a million dollars in property and endowment received in the past four years.

According to Dr. Doak S. Campbell, president of Florida State University, in his message to the Summer graduates here, the University of Tampa is on sound footing academically, financially, and otherwise, and it should soon be recognized by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

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The new Kindergarten and Nursery School in Forest Hills, which was so successful last spring, has reopened this fall. New equipment provides fun for the kiddies under the capable supervision of Mrs. R.G. Bouck (Marietta Holmes) and Mrs. Charles Miller (Mary Alice Lomax).

Our President Speaks—

Let's put away our summer activities because September is here, which means school days for the boys and girls. With the opening of school we have football games, especially those of our Alma Mater. Why not each one bring a friend to all of Tampa's games and by homecoming we should have done a good job of supporting our team.

Not only do the athletic teams need our support, but also the administration of the school need assistance in helping the school achieve one of its goals, that is, being approved by the Southern Association of Colleges. The sooner all of us begin to go all out for this goal, the quicker the school will reach its objectives.

1949-50 Should be our best year.

J. B. Cox

NEWS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Until the beginning of summer the Board of Directors of the University Alumni Association met regularly the last Monday evening in each month.

Principally, these meetings were devoted to the discussion of numerous ideas for the raising of funds for the Association. The most successful of these ideas proved to be the informal dance held in April at the Phi Delta Kappa Club. Those who attended spent a most enjoyable evening seeing old friends, and we anticipate an even greater turn out of gay old grads at the next party.

Plans for Homecoming were well under way by early summer, and this promises to be the biggest and best yet.

These monthly Board meetings, held at the University, are not closed, but are open to any and all Alumni who are interested and who would like to come and present any ideas or suggestions at any time. Everyone is welcome, for all of us are vitally interested in developing a dynamic Alumni Association of a thriving University of Tampa.

BETA CHI ALUMNI

The Beta Chi Alumni have been having quite a time lately.

Besides being the guests of the actives at two Beach parties, they have adopted a new idea in meeting places. That is to say that each meeting is held at a home of one of its members, rotating each month to a different home. Thus far they have met at the homes of Dr. & Mrs. McCloskey, Mr. & Mrs. H.D. Tanner, Mr. & Mrs. Rob't Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. James VerPlanck, Mr. & Mrs. Buford Lindsay and Mr. & Mrs. Salvadore Capello. Their next meeting is to be at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Alvarez, Jr.

In each instance, sandwiches and beverages were served.

The beverages consisted mainly of that type having an A.B. Degree (Anheuser-Busch that is).

The BX's are happy to welcome back, into their midsts, Paul Myers now Bus. Mgr., Dept. of Athletics at the Univ.; and Arthur Schiro, who has been in Miami for several months.

The Beta Chia's are busy looking into the records of its actives for a worthy receipt of its second annual \$200.00 Scholarship.

Homecoming is drawing near, so it will soon be time for elections again. We hope that the new President will be as capable as its current president, Dr. Paul McCloskey.

Tau Omega Alumni Notes

News of new members in the Alumni Association of the Tau Omega Fraternity finds that most of the recent graduates have decided to remain in Tampa.

Charles Haynes '49 will join the faculty of the Roosevelt School, Anthony Kolka and Authur Trubiano both of the Class of '49 will enter the teaching profession with first assignments in this city. Trubiano will also coach crew at the University, and will be on the coaching staff of Mike Gaddis. Charles Sipes recently married Barbara Fennel is connected with the Commercial Credit Company, and Tom Waugh will remain at the University as an Administrative Assistant in the Public Relations Office. Glenn McRae will continue study towards an Education at the

EDITORIAL

The text of this editorial is a time worn and trite theme of "work together". We alumni heard this often in college football songs and now the same request is presented to us as Tampa U. alumni. Query: "Why can't the Tampa U. alumni develop a strong organization that will work on projects to aid Tampa U. and the City of Tampa."

Remember the ancient adage? In union there is strength!

The reason this idea of working together struck home so vividly, was recently when our attention was called to the unfavorable date of the scheduled 1949, Tampa U. Homecoming Game, on Friday night, November 18, between the Spartans and the Florida State University football teams.

Recall that last year's homecoming game was played on a Sunday afternoon with a Mexican team, the inference drawn from this is that the scheduled dates show no regard as to whether the Tampa U. grads who live in nearby cities can attend a Friday night contest or can witness the parade on Friday afternoon with all the fraternity and sorority floats, etc. No concern seemed to be

summer commencement. Clifford Mott will seek his Master's Degree this fall.

Diego Almengual and Martha Sierra were married this summer, and are planning on making Tampa their home. Diego is connected with Florida Portland Cement Company. Bill Swartzman and Lawrence Donohue will continue their work at Tampa department stores. David Costello has joined his father in the transfer business here in Tampa, and Robert Larmon is working with the City Recreation Department.

Robert Wilson has been transferred to Sarasota and will manage the National Airlines Office in that city.

More news next issue.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Battle (Mary Burress) are introducing young

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shown in last year's Sunday afternoon contest as to whether out of town alumni having to leave to drive home could reach their destination before night time.

This column is not blaming the officials who arranged this year's schedule, the blame is on the alumni organization who could organize to make our feelings and desires known, so that, some thought would be given to the convenience of the out of town alumni group.

Look around the nation, does any school have its homecoming on a Friday night or on a Sunday afternoon? The answer to this, is a strong alumni association which would become active and take an interest in all affairs, not only for the present but also the future. We could make ourselves felt in civic affairs as well as football, so as to better Tampa, which in turn would directly affect our Alma Mater, Tampa U.

The thought to be left with the readers is: Has anything been done to set a more favorable date for the next year's homecoming game or will we be "Rip Van Winkle Tampa U'ers" for another twelve months.

Douglas Lane who arrived August 31. Two-year-old Ann is as proud as her parents.

ALPHA GAMMA NEWS

The ALPHA GAMMAS have been very busy all summer making plans for the Fall.

The newly elected officers for the coming year are:

President: *Margie Casal.*

Vice-President: *Mrs. "Deacon" Raines*

Corr-Secretary: *Mrs. Braulio Alonso*

Record.-Secretary: *Mrs. Joe Capitano*

Treasurer: *Mrs. Anthony Sagin*

Sarg.-at-Arms: *Jo Perez*

A Barbecue Party was held this summer at the home of Anne (Lazzara) and Lee Duncan, 2411 Riverside Drive. Honored guests

were: Olga (Martinez) Skokan, Lois (Crespo) Buce, Nita (Medina) Moore, and Mary (Borelli) Rogers.

We received a letter from Elisa (Alvarez) Whitaker telling us of her house guest, our long lost friend June Pedersen. June has been in Tokyo, Japan working for the U. S. Government. We are very anxious to hear all about June's trip to Japan.

Lois (Crespo) Buce and her charming little girl Connie Lee visited in Tampa and St. Petersburg this summer. She is still living in Dallas, Texas.

Nita (Medina) Moore spent a few weeks visiting here and in Clearwater. Nita and her husband Stanley also spent a few days with Betty (Wellacott) Straub and her family.

Olga (Martinez) Skokan and her husband sold their home in Seattle, Washington so we are hoping they will make their new home here in Tampa.

Dora Valdes and Fitzzi Cusmano spent most of their summer in the "Big City" at Columbia University working on their Masters Degree.

Ena (Robb) Dapice who will be remembered as one of Tampa U's Drum-Majorette was the house guest of her sister, Mrs. Eddie Boyle, for two weeks. Ena is now the proud mother of two husky boys, Ross and Robb.

Frances (Piazza) Collins and her husband have returned from their honeymoon and are residing at 38 Davis Blvd.

The Tampa School System has gained two charming teachers this year; Aida (Reina) Vega at West Tampa Junior High and Antoinette LiCalsi at Macfarlane Park Elementary School.

We hear that Louise Sipes did some traveling this summer. She traveled through the Western states and brought back many fond memories with her.

Violet Conte and Jo Perez were busy at Gainesville part of the summer going graduate work. Violet ended the summer by taking a trip up north.

Do you remember in the last publication I told you that Marea Bordt was at Ohio University working on her Masters, well she is back home again with her M.A.



CONFIDENTIALLY. . .

Did you know that... Mr. and Mrs. FRANCIS HURN, she was the former FLORENCE ROGERS, are calling Tampa their home.....Why don't we see more of you Flossie?...That ANN-BROWN (Willis) and BOB BOWEN have a new addition to their family... a son.....That MARIAN (BUFFA) and VICTOR HATCH were also blessed with a boy in August....That ELVA (PARODIE) and JIM FORSGREN are living in California.....That Mr. and Mrs. WAISLEY ZAIKO are in town...That KITTY (CAPPELLO) and BOB M. JOHNSON are now permanent residents...BOB and his brother TOM are practicing law in Tampa... That FRANCES (SESSIONS) and DAVID HOFFMAN were in town for a visit early this summer...That the GFORGE CURRYS (BETTY JO PYLE) and the P. J. HARVEYS are neighbors on Hanna Street...That the DI BONAS are off again...PHILIP (CREEPER to you) is a Captain in the U. S. Army in Washington D.C...brother JOE is at present visiting him...and cousin JOE (BIG JOE) and his lovely red-headed wife, PAT, after an extensive trip to St. Louis, toured the State.

That congrats are in for KATHRYN (WILSON) and HAL WILLIAMSON and DOT (JAMES) and FRED LEAFESTY who "middle aisled" it on the same day...That MARY (COLLURA), vivacious daughter HETTIE LYNN, and DEACON RAINES' new home on Indiana Avenue is a dream...That speaking of dreams, have you seen MICKEY (O'BERRY) and FRED MANUCY'S little girl....That FRANCES (PIAZZA) and BOB COLLINS had a lovely June wedding...That I am willing to bet that KATHERINE JANE (ARMSTRONG) and J.B. "STRAWBERRY" COX'S sturdy young son will someday play football for our Alma Mater like his Dad usta.....That BETTY (KISSENGER) and LUIS ZENDEGUI and little girl DONNA are in Germany...That...girls...handsome OZZIE BEYNON is still a bachelor...That ARNIE HOLMES is head coaching at Mulberry and also still a bachelor.....That CROCKETT FARNEILL, COTTON CLINTON and ANDY ANDERSON are playing ball for the same team...ANDY'S best rooter

is his wife DOT (HILL) and their little girl SHARON.....That WILLARD DRISKELL AND Mrs. D. are living in Fort Meade..Florida that is...That ROSEMARY (DIDIER) BERGWIN, one of Tampa's loveliest models, and CHIP were hosts to the FRED WHITES when they visited here....That Orchids go to CHIP as well as HAMP DUNN, SAM HARRISON, PAUL MYERS, JIMMY WHITEHEAD and a host of others such as our Alumni President J. B. COX, LEO STALNAKER and JIMMY ETH-ERIDGE for their splendid work toward making our Alumni Organization a bigger and better one.....That ANNE (McCURDY) and MELVIN O'GRADY have a lovely new home... That MARGARITE "MIKE" ROYER, one of our very newest alumni has been "summer-stocking" in Michigan with the Spartan Troupers...That Orchid Bouquets go to MRS. JIMMY HACKNEY (LEAH MAE HUNTER) for her work as Chairman of the Tampa Chapter of the Junior Red Cross...That GLENNA (HILL) and HOWARD BEYNON will soon be calling Plant City home..... HOWIE will be teaching and coaching...That I almost forgot to tell you.. **I'LL BE SEEING YA AT THE FOOTBALL GAMES. . . .**

1949-50 SPARTAN FOOTBALL SQUAD

Football is in the air and 50 hopeful Spartans are working out twice daily until September 19 under the watchful eyes of Coaches Mike Gaddis and Art Shouse. The 1949-50 Spartan team is in good condition and will be built around a nucleus of returning lettermen.

This year the University will play eight games, six at home and two away. The season opens at home on September 23 against Memphis State and on successive weekends, Milligan, Rollins, and Alilene College of Texas will play at Phillips Field. On October 22, Tampa plays Stetson in Deland and Erskine come to Tampa on Oct. 28. At the present time, Nov. 4 is an open date, but on Nov. 12, we go to Cleveland, Miss., to play Delta State. The final game is on Nov. 18, against Florida State, which is our Homecoming opponent, and we hope to see every one of you on this occasion. All games at home will be played in Phillips Field at 8:00 P.M., and all reserved tickets are \$2.40.

by Paul L. Myers