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Accrediting Team Coming To Tampa U. March 20

Alumni to Honor Spartan Athletes

A Lettermen's Banquet will be staged Feb. 20 at the Crystal Ball Restaurant, under the sponsorship of the newly-activated Alumni Athletic Committee, in honor of the football and basketball teams of the University.

The banquet will also serve as the "kick-off" meeting of the Alumni concerning its campaign to raise \$16,000 to help defray the cost of fielding a first rate small college football team next season, according to Bill Fisher, General Chairman of the Alumni campaign.

Letters will be presented to members of the Spartan grid team by Coach Mike Gaddis. Though the cagers will be honored guests, their letters will be awarded at a later date, upon the conclusion of the basketball season.

Principal speakers at the Banquet, which is scheduled to be an annual affair and which will get underway at 8 o'clock, include Dr. Nance, who will make the opening address, Pete Norton, sports editor of the Tampa Tribune, Clair Pittman, president of the Alumni Association, Mike Gaddis, and Sol Fleischmann, popular sports announcer for Times Radio Station WDAE who will serve as master of ceremonies.

The Alumni Athletic Committee has been divided into four teams for the purpose of the campaign and is under the direction of Bill Fisher, chairman of the drive. Team Captains include Fisher, Rudy Rodriguez, Dr. Paul McCloskey and Crockett Farnell.

Any member of the Alumni or friend of the University interested in attending the banquet should contact Fisher at 1921 Gray St., Tampa, or at H-1194 or H 10-845. Reservations, at \$2.25 per plate, will close Feb. 17.

A number of distinguished guests will be invited to the Banquet as guests of the Athletic Committee.

For the first time in the history of the University of Tampa, an inspection team of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools will visit the University for the purpose of determining its accreditation requirements. The team will be here March 20-23.

The decision of the evaluation committee to visit our University repre-

Pregnant Pepper Ready for Delta

Though Homecoming is a good nine months away, the Alumni's hard-working Homecoming Committee, under the chairmanship of Bud Pepper, is already pregnant with ideas.

Let's hope it doesn't have a miscarriage.

But, the proof of the conception is what Pepper has on paper. In fact, his committee has practically its whole program mapped out—a series of outstanding events built around the stellar though tentative attraction of the Spartans versus Delta State in the annual Homecoming gridiron classic, Nov. 11.

First on the Pepper Committee list is President Nance's annual reception for Alumni on Thursday, Nov. 9. The Alumni Banquet and dance (for members only, as is the election) will be held on Friday night. The highly successful Children's Party will be repeated again this year, on Saturday morning, followed by the Homecoming Parade and football game in the afternoon. The Committee has designated the dinner hour for fraternity and sorority buffets and suppers. The Big Day will be capped by the Big Dance that evening, sponsored by the students again, we hope, for the Alumni.

Sounds pretty good, eh?

Better get your reservations in now.

No wonder this Committee is on the ball. Look who is on it—Joe Mills, Strawberry Cox, Jean Myers, Juanita Kolka, Margie Casal, Tony Ippolito, Clyde C. Evans, Jr., George Jack, Hilda Mills and Pepper, of course.

sents a great step forward in the institution's long fight to obtain accreditation. Before any college or university can merit a special study inspection by an Association committee, it first must convince the group that it is in a position to deserve accreditation. After four years of intensive preparation, dating back to shortly after the end of the war, the University was informed last December that an inspection team would visit the institution this year.

In keeping with the University's effort to meet all accreditation requirements, it has limited the enrollment for the Spring semester this year to 1000 full-time students. The institution now provides one full-time instructor for each 20 students, as required by the accrediting Association.

In addition, every effort will be made, according to Dr. Nance, to meet the University's Endowment Fund goal of \$500,000 by the time the committee arrives on the campus.

Six new members — three of whom have doctor's degrees — were officially welcomed to the University of Tampa instructional staff February 1.

The six were added to the faculty to help the University meet requirements of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The new faculty members are: Dr. C. J. Ho, who will serve as acting associate professor of secondary education; Dr. William M. Goldsmith, associate professor of science; Dr. James W. Covington, associate professor of history and political science; Miss Alice Jean Small, part-time art instructor; Harold A. Heiser, acting associate professor of business administration, and Miss Doris Hawse, acting assistant professor of English.

The inspection team that will visit (See ACCREDITATION Page 4)

Same Team, Same Ball, New Carrier!



The Alumni has come a long way in the last decade—long enough for its president to state with positive assurance to the Board of Trustees that the Alumni will shoulder a great share of the financial burden of fielding a Spartan football team next Fall.

The Alumni has pledged to the Board of Trustees that it will raise \$16,000 to build a sound athletic program.

That's a big order—for a handful or even a hundred people—but it shouldn't be a difficult assignment for an organization that has thousands of members upon its active rolls.

However, this is one that can't get away. It is the responsibility of each and every one of us to do his full share. In the eyes of others, this is a crucial test for the Alumni.

Is it worthy of its salt?

We think so and we hope every member of the Alumni does, too.

Your cooperation is exceedingly important in this vital campaign. Your contribution and the contributions you can get others to make are desperately needed. Send them in to the Alumni Office, care of the University.

Let's put this drive over the top as quickly as possible!

❖ Listening Post ❖

Editor of The Bulletin:

I want to first of all, to congratulate you on the publication of the Alumni Bulletin, which I find very much to my liking. I have always been a stickler to the philosophy about anything worth while doing, is worth doing well. This new bulletin comes more nearly approximating my ideas on what an Alumni bulletin should be. We may not be able to do one as large as this every month but if it is done as well, it will be as of great interest to the Alumni.

I have a suggestion concerning the possibility of an award on behalf of the Alumni Association to be presented to a boy and girl student at the Uni-

versity during the class-day exercises, each year, who in the estimation of the Alumni Association and the Administration, has rendered an outstanding service to the University during the past year. This award need not be very expensive, perhaps not more than \$20.00 for the two. It could be lettered on a scroll and framed.

ELLWOOD C. NANCE.

Editor of The Bulletin:

We want to compliment you on the excellent Alumni Bulletin which you have just published.

We know it involved a lot of effort and time on your part, but the result

President's Letter

Dear Fellow Alumni:

I wish to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude for the splendid support and assistance that I have received from the officers and board members as well as the interest and cooperation of many other members of the Alumni. It is this kind of interest and enthusiasm that will guarantee the continued growth of our University.

We are now in the process of forming a President's Round Table, composed of the leaders of all the alumni fraternity and sorority groups, that should prove to be of major assistance to the Alumni. One of the purposes of this group will be to serve in an advisory capacity to the board and furnish names of qualified and interested alumni to serve on the various committees and other activities.

On a recent business trip to Miami I had the pleasure of being with one of our alumni, Jack Leibman, who is studying for his Master's degree in Education at Miami U. He conducted me through the entire campus, and I must confess that I was very impressed. Miami U. deserves our commendation and very best wishes for having built up such a grand educational institution.

Jack and I also visited with Jimmy Whitehead at his office. Jimmy is getting off to a grand start and I predict a great success for him. We later attended the Miami-Tampa U. Basketball game with alumnus Mark Ball and his wife, Robert and Betty Hach, and Raymond and Bunny Fordyce. The former Carol Thomas is happily married to Dr. Clyde Kesinger, DDS in Miami. They have two lovely children. Jimmy has promised me that he will organize all of our Alumni in Miami. When in Miami, do not fail to contact them. They are all doing real well and are always glad to hear from their friends in Tampa.

Again, I wish to urge all of our Alumni to take an active part in the growth and progress of our school. Your suggestions, advice, and assistance will certainly be welcomed.

Sincerely,

F. S. CLAIR PITTMAN.

is certainly worth it. You're off to a great start. Keep up the good work.

Best wishes for a successful year!

LOUIS BENITO, Pres.,
Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Editor's Note: The Bulletin welcomes all contributions to Alumni thought. Whether your letter is a bouquet or brickbat, let us have it, please. In writing letters for the Bulletin, please restrict them to 200 words. Paper costs money and we have no advertisers—but don't let this stop you.

Alumni Antics

By CLYDE BERGWIN

Crockett Farnell, a distinguished Alumni prexy of the past, set a good example in 1948 when he ran away with the race for School Superintendent of Hillsborough County. Visibly impressed by the non-political-minded Crockett's success were four other Tampa U. stalwarts who are now eyeing seats in the Legislature. Two of them, Joe Carr and Clair Pittman, who played on the same Spartan grid team, are pitted against one another in Group III. The other two, Tom Johnson, Class of 1943, and Tony Ippolito, Class of 1950, and Student Senate Prexy, are running against each other in Group II . . .

"I am running on behalf of the people," declares Candidate Carr. "The voters must be protected," says Politico Pittman. "I will fight for your rights," promises Johnson. We ain't heard from Ippolito yet, who was last reported working on a "platform for the people."

Thumb-nail sketch of the candidates:

Clair Pittman . . . Alumni president . . . Class of 1941 . . . One of Tampa U's outstanding athletes . . . Tau Omega . . . A life-long resident of Hillsborough County . . . 34 years old, married to the former Lola Jane Wallace, of Lakeland and Tampa U. graduate . . . Four kids . . . Now employed with John Hammer and Associates as life insurance expert.



Joe Carr . . . Another star athlete . . . Class of 1938 . . . T. O. . . . former deputy Sheriff of Hillsborough County . . . 37 years old . . . life-long Florida resident . . . member of the 44th combat battalion during the war . . . Married to the former Miss Mary Jane Henry . . . One child.



Tom Johnson . . . 29-year-old attorney . . . S. K. N. . . . Class of 1943 . . . Florida law graduate . . . Air Force enlisted veteran . . . Associated with brother, Bob, in law practice in Hillsborough County . . . Chairman of the Alumni Resolutions Committee . . . Single . . .



no kids.

Tony Ippolito . . . Class of 1950 . . . Student Senate prexy war veteran . . . graduate of Hillsborough High School . . . member of the Rho Nu Delta fraternity. Enjoys support and confidence of Student Body, which was instrumental in Tony's decision to enter the



race.

Jim Forsgren was in town over the Christmas holidays, driving a canary-colored Buick convertible, with his wife, the former Elva Parodie, Class of 1944. Jim and Elva have settled in Los Angeles where Jim is in the used car business in addition to running a couple of rooming houses on the side. Big John McNulty, the old Boston twang man, is out there with him. If you remember Jim and John, you should also recall the third lad of that trio, popular Mel Rizzie, who is now studying for his PhD degree, believe it or not . . .

Perhaps you have noticed those wonderful letters that appear occasionally in Pete Norton's sports column in the Tribune by Sgt. Ed McCollum that always boost the University of Tampa and its athletic program. Sgt. Ed never went to the University, but his spirit for our alma mater is as strong as the atom and hydrogen bombs put together. Ed became indoctrinated in the Tampa U. spirit while a patient at a veterans hospital some years ago. In the bed next to him was Vic Hatch, no slouch, himself, at boosting Tampa U. Well, Ed, being a patient fellow, listened for

Pepper Wraps Up "Alumni Day," Too

We already told you that the Homecoming Committee is on the ball and here is added evidence—the Committee is responsible for Alumni Day and already has its plans set—all it needs is a definite date.

Alumni Day, according to the Committee, will be observed during the graduation period this June. The graduating seniors will be honored guests at the Alumni Day dance, tentatively scheduled for the Forest Hills Country Club with the music of Manuel Sanchez.

Open House will be held at the University for all visiting Alumni and their friends on Alumni Day. One of the highlights of the Day will be the presentation of the Alumni Award to the outstanding man and women senior of the graduation class.

The Alumni Academic Committee, which will make the selection of the outstanding graduates, is composed of Dr. Paul McCloskey, chairman; Peggy White Anderson, Adelphia Alonzo, Rev. Oswald Delgado and Joan Schwab.

hours at a time to Vic talking about the merits of good old Tampa U. By the time Vic left the hospital, Ed was a confirmed Tampa U-er. He demonstrated his spirit in a tangible way the other day when he called Prexy Pittman and asked if he could contribute \$40 to the Alumni Athletic Drive—\$10 down and \$10 each month out of his disability check. A few more guys like Ed would be all we would need to put this drive way over the top . . .

Fred White, X-44, spent a week in Tampa recently with his frau, an attractive Indiana lass by name of Annie looking over the prospects for establishing a medical practice here. Fred will graduate next February from the Northwestern University College of Medicine and plans to lose no time in making tracks for this lush, doctor's paradise . . .

Space is running out and so, as a parting shot, drop me a line, you people who live out of Tampa, so we can print an item about you in the next Bulletin. Your friends around the country will appreciate it. Write me in care of the Tampa Times. Even a post-card will do.

The Alumni Association is indebted to the Athletic Committee of the University of Tampa Board of Trustees for its splendid spirit of cooperation and assistance in paving the way for the continuation of football at the University next Fall. The Athletic Committee is composed of George Howell, chairman; James Ferman, Louis Wellhouse and Crockett Farnell.

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