

# University of Tampa

# report

## Pomp and Circumstance on Sunday Afternoon at McKay



L-R, Dr. David M. Delo, Leslie H. Warner, Edna Pearce Lockett, Fischer S. Black, Fred D. Learey, Rabbi David L. Zielonka.

A celebrated speaker and a record-breaking graduating class made the May, 1970, University of Tampa commencement doubly memorable.

Leslie H. Warner, of New York City, president and chief executive officer of General Telephone and

Electronics Corporation, addressed 363 graduating seniors, May 10, at McKay Auditorium. This was the largest graduating class in UT history with one-third more graduates than last summer, President David M. Delo said.

In his talk titled, "The Time Is

Right", Warner told the graduates: "The young people of this country have done a great service to all of us by pin-pointing our problem areas and urging that action be taken to correct and eliminate them." But, he said, it will take an evolutionary process, not revolutionary, to accomplish this.

During commencement exercises the university awarded Warner the honorary LL.D. degree, conferred by President Delo.

A new award given for the first time this year, the University of Tampa Award for Distinguished Public Service, was presented to Edna Pearce Lockett, of Fort Bas-singer, who pioneered the right of women to serve on juries.

One of the highest honors the institution can bestow, the University of Tampa Medal for Distinguished Service to the University and the Community, was awarded to Rabbi David L. Zielonka, last

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## Black Named Trustee Chairman

Fischer S. Black, president, Tampa Electric Company, has been elected chairman of the University of Tampa board of trustees, UT president David M. Delo announced.

Black replaces James L. Ferman, president, Ferman Motor Car Corporation, Inc., who has resigned the post to devote more time to his business. Ferman will continue his membership on the board, however.

Dr. Delo said an invitation to the University board has been extended to H. Prentice Browning,

president of the Exchange Bank Corporation. Browning has indicated he will accept.

H. Grady Lester, Jr., president, General Welding Supply Company, has been named chairman of the university's executive committee succeeding William C. MacInnes, chairman of the board, Tampa Electric Company.

All UT trustees whose terms expired last month have been reelected for three year periods.

Besides Black they are Sam F. Davis, president, Tampa Ship Re-

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## Tharp - Grutzmacher Bid UT Farewell

The University of Tampa will lose two of its top administrators this summer.

Dr. C. Doren Tharp, assistant to the president, will retire, and Dr. Harold M. Grutzmacher, vice president for academic affairs, will return to his alma mater, Beloit College, Beloit, Wis., as dean of students.

Listed in *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*, Dr. Tharp has been elected to the *Blue Book of the English Speaking World*, published in England.

He holds the Order of Merit and Rosette from the University of Miami, where he was vice president and dean of faculties before joining UT in 1966.

Last month Dr. Tharp was honored with the Distinguished Service Award for 30 years of dedicated service to higher education in Florida.

Dr. Grutzmacher came to UT in 1967 from Parsons College, Fairfield, Ohio, where he was chairman of the rhetoric department. During his first two years here he served as acting dean of students in addition to his vice president's position.

## UT Summer School Attendance Jumps By 50 Per Cent

UT's total 1970 summer school enrollment is expected to jump nearly 50 per cent over 1969 because of two new five-week class sessions replacing the former single eight-week session, said Eugene Cropsey, registrar.

An estimated 1,020 students will take summer courses this year, 320 more than last year's 700.

Approximately 570 students are attending Session I in progress through June 19.

Registration for Session II is set for June 26 with classes, June 29 through July 31. About 450 students are expected to enroll.

The two accelerated summer sessions, each about one-third the length of a regular semester, are part of a long-range plan to upgrade the curriculum.

## Western Culture Grows



**TWO NEW DOORS** along Western Civilization Corridor will open soon at UT. Mrs. Frank Filewicz, president, UT Polish Heritage Club, inspects plans for the club's donation of a "Polish Room" with Dr. Stephen Speronis, UT special assistant to the president, while Edmund P. Sliz, vice president for business affairs looks on. A new "Florida Room" will be added by the UT Woman's club.

## Fund Drive Boosts Nance Scholarship

The University of Tampa has launched an intensive drive boosting the Ellwood C. Nance scholarship to be awarded for the first time in September.

Letters have gone to many friends of the late UT president, requesting donations to perpetuate the fund, started this spring by President Nance's first secretary, Mrs. Jefferson G. Artz, and her husband, of Columbus, Mississippi.

The Artz's initiated the fund several months ago with 200 shares of General Telephone stock, and Mrs. Edna Brorein White has recently added 50 shares.

An existing Nance Memorial Fund has been converted to the Nance scholarship, bringing total capital to more than \$13,500.

The original Nance fund was started several years ago by Daniel V. McEachern, of Seattle, Washington, who became acquainted with the Nance family when Dr. Nance was minister of Seattle Christian Church.

## Parents' Weekend October 23-25

### *No Gap Between Civic and UT Student Leaders*



**UT COUNSELORS** and honor students bridged the generation gap, as counselors hosted the students at the annual honors banquet. Couples seated opposite each other are from foreground, counselor James L. Ghiotto, director of communications, Tampa Electric Company, and Mrs. Ghiotto; Roy Johnson and his date, Julene Simmons; Bill James, Outstanding Graduating Senior, and his bride, Susan, also a UT honor student.



# President's Report



A significant action was taken by the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting, May 18, in approving reorganization of the Boards of Governance of the University. Basic responsibilities and powers of the Board remain unchanged, but Board tenure has been modified, and an additional board—the Board of Fellows—established.

Some years ago, the Board established an ancillary body—the University Counselors—composed largely of young leaders in business, industry, and the professions from the Tampa area. More recently, the Counselors have assumed responsibility for the annual Forward Fund which supplies operational funds and assists materially to maintain the fiscal stability of the University.

The Board of Fellows, newly constituted, will consist of individuals elected from the general public or from the membership of the Counselors, at least half from geographical areas other than Tampa. The Fellows will meet at least once annually in conjunction with a meeting of the Trustees. Trustees, who will hereafter be drawn from the membership of the Fellows, were previously elected for five-year terms, but now will be elected for three-year terms, and after two consecutive terms, must spend one year as a Fellow before re-election as a Trustee is possible. Other changes include tenure of Officers and Committee Chairmen, thus insuring proper turnover in key positions.

On May 18, James L. Ferman, Board Chairman for the past four years, and William C. MacInnes, Executive Committee Chairman for almost a decade, were succeeded by Fischer S. Black, former Chairman of Planning and Development, and H. Grady Lester, former Chairman of Student Affairs. We are greatly indebted to Mr. Ferman and Mr. MacInnes, who have made an outstanding contribution to the welfare of the University, and we look forward to continued progress under the leadership of Mr. Black and Mr. Lester.

I extend my best wishes to all our readers for a pleasant and relaxing summer.

DAVID M. DELO  
President

## Famed Actress To Work At UT

There is a great star on the University of Tampa horizon.

Eugenia Rawls, distinguished actress of the New York and London stage, will guide University of Tampa drama students through the agony and ecstasy of producing Tennessee Williams' difficult and demanding masterpiece, "The Glass Menagerie", next fall.

This will be the first time the University has had an internationally celebrated performer as artist-in-residence.

"The fact that a star of Miss Rawls' stature has taken personal interest in the University of Tampa profoundly attests to the growth and strength of our theater program," said Dr. David M. Delo, UT president.

"The opportunity to work on stage and in workshops with Miss Rawls will be an enriching experience our students will long remember," Dr. Delo added.

Besides conducting acting seminars for about a month during and after production of "The Glass Menagerie", Miss Rawls will play the lead role of Amanda Wingfield.

Of the Rawls "Amanda" E. B. Radcliffe wrote: "She's great—the strongest I've seen."

The actress has appeared on all major television networks and has recorded more than 65 talking books for the blind. She is married to Donald R. Seawell, chairman of the American National Theater Academy.

## UT National Alumni Association Launches St. Petersburg Beta Chapter

UT's National Alumni Association reached the first milestone of a long-range expansion plan last month, when the new St. Petersburg Beta Chapter held its initial meeting, a buffet dinner at Holiday Inn, North, St. Petersburg. At head table are (l-r) Robert B. Gronlund, UT vice president for development; Judge Robert E. Beach, class of '55, president-elect, St. Petersburg chapter; Dr. Richard T. Dillon, '53, dean of Stetson Law School and president of the Alumni Association, and Kenneth P. Hance, '37, UT director of alumni relations.





## WSOL Donates Unique Broadcasting Course

The University of Tampa now offers the only complete course in radio station management and operation in the country.

Radio 200 and 201 was initiated in the fall semester of 1969 by Tampa radio station WSOL, a member of the Rustcraft chain. Manager, Albert Gale not only designed the curriculum but also compiled the textbook. Until its publication, there had been no book covering all the facets of station operation.

Station personnel are the teachers in this on-the-job educational course, which covers FCC regulations, sales, traffic, equipment operation and news gathering. Students prepare their own one-hour program which is aired weekly.

## Trustees - - -

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pair and Dry Dock Company, Inc.; A. L. Ellis, chairman of the board, Ellis Group of Banks; Chester H. Ferguson, attorney, Macfarlane, Ferguson, Allison & Kelly; Fred D. Learey, president, General Telephone Company, and Alvin P. Yorkunas, Al Yorkunas Advertising Agency.

Yorkunas and Loper B. Lowry, chairman emeritus, Founders Life Assurance Company, have been granted emeritus status on the university board at their request.



**RETIRING UT Professor Rabbi David L. Zielonka received the University Medal for distinguished service at commencement last month. President David M. Delo (right) presented him a plaque from the university at the annual honors convocation.**

## Commencement - - -

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remaining founding faculty member, who will retire this summer.

Commencement Day activities began with baccalaureate service, 11 a.m., at Falk Theatre. Dr. Willis J. Dunn, chairman of the sociology department and director of counseling and placement, discussed "The Crisis Times of Life".

## Zielonka Retires From 40-year Jobs

Rabbi David L. Zielonka will leave two full time jobs forever this June, but he will not retire from his life's work.

For nearly 40 years he has advised and instructed University of Tampa students of all faiths and no faith. He has ministered to Congregation Schaari Zedek with a stern rabbinical hand and a warm heart.

These are the posts he will give up.

But he will continue his life's work, building bridges spanning generations of time, a world of culture and a universe of religion and philosophy.

The last founding faculty member to leave UT, Zielonka will begin his leisure hours by writing a novel about his father, a circuit-riding rabbi.

Rabbi Zielonka has collected awards throughout the years from academic orders, from Jewish organizations, from social and civic groups.

The university honored his retirement with a plaque, presented by President David M. Delo.

The rabbi will cherish the plaque, of course, but he probably won't read it as often as he will one simple leather-bound volume of personal letters from his friends on the UT faculty.

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