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# F.T.U. ????

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## FLORIDA TECH OPENS

### PROJECTED ENROLLMENT FIGURES

#### EXPECTED TO BE MET

FLORIDA TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY held its formal dedication ceremonies this morning, with the charter student enrollment expected easily to reach the projected first-year figure of 1,500.

Dedication of FTU, the state's newest university, was scheduled to take place at 9 a.m.

behind the Library-Learning Resources building.

Chester Ferguson, chairman of the Florida State Board of Regents, was to make the major address. Orlando's Dr. Louis Murray, also a member of the Board of Regents, was to serve as master of ceremonies.

Ferguson, in remarks reported in more detail elsewhere, said in his prepared text the opening of FTU would have immeasurable impact on the lives of the people of the central Florida area "not only for this generation but for all generations to come."

Yesterday an open house was held at FTU from 2-5 p.m. President Charles N. Millican and his faculty and staff showed the public the first phase of the 1227-acre campus.

More than \$10 million in buildings were completed in time for today's opening, and these represent only about one-fifth of the total plan for the school, which is expected to enroll 15,000 students within ten years.

The completed structures include the five-story Library-Learning Resources building which also houses the administration, faculty and a computer center; a three-story science building which has an adjoining auditorium seating 300; the village center; and the university's central utility plant. Two of the four residence halls are completed.

Plans call for the university to expand to a full four-year university next year with baccalaureate degrees offered in most areas.

## Transit Schedule

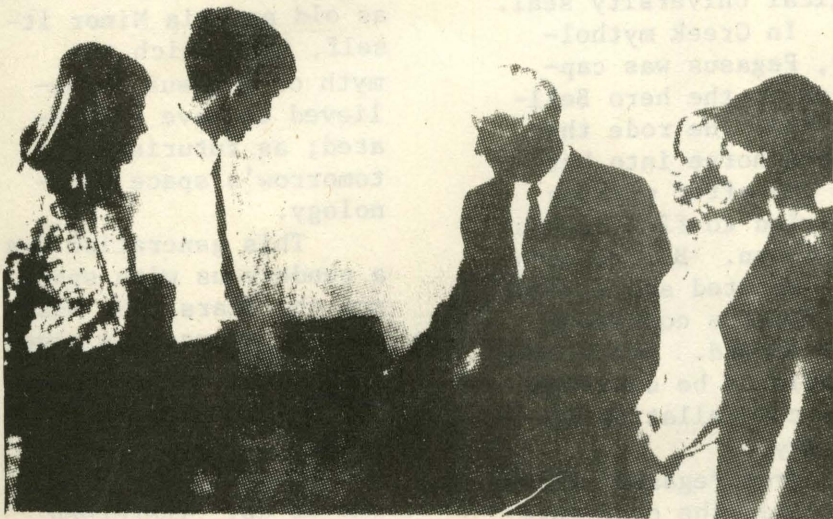
The Orlando Transit Company will be providing bus service to the campus.

Buses will depart from the terminal at Central and Pine streets, in downtown Orlando.

The first bus will leave at 7:15 a.m., followed by another at 11:15 a.m. and one at 4:15 p.m.

Service from campus begins at 7:50 a.m. Two more buses will leave at 11:55 a.m. and 4:55 p.m.

Fare one-way will be 35¢.



Dr. Charles N. Millican, FTU President, explains the story of the university seal during Sunday's open house. With the President are Martha Welty, Bruce Hamilton, Sharol Roberts and Shelby Prince.

## Strive For Excellence

The following are excerpts taken from the prepared remarks to be delivered today by Chester Ferguson, chairman

of the Florida State Board of Regents, at the dedication of FTU:

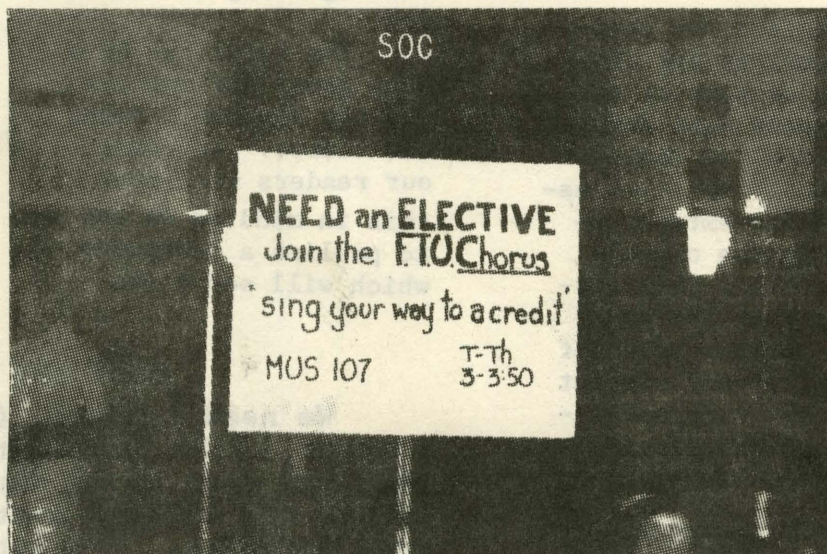
"The founding and growth of a university where there has been none before can be very moving. Men and women who have never known opportunity come to see the university as a symbol of hope. They see clearly that a new university represents the door they could never enter now opened to their children.

"For many of you in this audience, Florida Technological University represents the fulfillment of aspirations that a great center of learning be located in your midst. From this university will emerge trained and educated young men and women to lead this region and the state of Florida into new paths of progress in the years ahead.

"The activity which will be generated by the opening of this new university may be less dra-

matic than the launching of a space vehicle at Cape Kennedy, but its impact upon the lives of the people of this section will be immeasurable and its duration will be not only for the people of this generation but for all generations to come."

The charter student body, faculty and administration, as well as hundreds of area and state leaders, were expected to attend the dedication ceremonies.



The high-pressure salesmanship displayed by music professor Dr. Leon Sarakatsannis during registration last week led one competing professor to comment: "Beware of Greeks bearing gifts."



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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

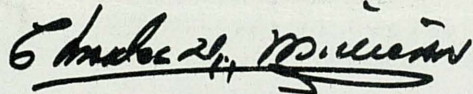
WELCOME FTU STUDENTS...

We are delighted that you are here, for today, the opening of the University, is the fulfillment of the dream of many people--the citizens of Central Florida, the Legislature, the Florida Board of Regents, and the faculty and staff of Florida Technological University.

Now, with your help, we can pursue the twin tenets of our University's basic philosophy: Accent on the Individual and Accent on Excellence. We believe in the individual worth of the person, and at FTU his character and intellect will be given an opportunity for development of their fullest potential. At the same time it is expected that every person at the University (faculty,

staff, and students) will reach for excellence in all his endeavors, each person striving to do his best with whatever abilities he possesses.

As members of the charter class, you will help establish the traditions and the reputation of an entirely new university. An opportunity and a responsibility such as this comes to only a few, but by working together we can make this a great University, one of which we can be proud. That is our challenge--our star to reach!



Charles N. Millican

EDITORIAL

## Strive To Excel

Welcome to the newest Florida State University, Florida Technological University. Each person at Florida Tech is facing a new beginning--whether he is a freshman or junior student, a night student, a teacher, or an administrator. Each person has as a duty to himself to excel. Florida Tech's goal is to place the accent on the individual and on excellence.

The present class of students are the decision makers. You will form the customs and traditions that will one day be a major part of the school. It is up to you, as an individual and as a student at Florida Tech to excel in whatever you attempt. Make studying the most important aspect of college but don't neglect the extra-curricular activities. Participate in the organization of student government, start and join service clubs, join the yearbook staff or the newspaper staff. Don't be afraid to involve yourself in activities other than studying. Every student has not only the opportunity but the responsibility to make this university the best in Florida.

To make Florida Tech the best university, each student will have to do his or her part. Each student can do this by facing problems and difficult situations with enthusiasm and determination. Put your best foot forward and strive to excel.



School Seal Explained



Pegasus, the winged horse from Greek mythology, flying ever upward towards the stars. This is the focal point of the Florida Technological University seal.

In Greek mythology, Pegasus was captured by the hero Bellerephon. He rode the winged horse into battle and after winning he tried to fly Pegasus to heaven. Bellerephon was unseated and killed, but Pegasus continued, ever onward. His flight is said to be depicted as a constellation in the sky.

From Pegasus' flight comes the challenge 'reach for the stars.' The Pegasus design was chosen because of all

the various seal designs considered during the past few years, Pegasus was the only one that so completely spans the centuries; it is at least as old as Asia Minor itself, from which the myth of Pegasus is believed to have originated; as futuristic as tomorrow's space technology.

This generation has a rendezvous with space and the stars. We must set our course and move forward. What makes a man try for the impossible? It's a touch of the divine in every one of us. Therefore, our choice of Pegasus was in keeping with this goal.

## Editorial Policy

Many comments may be made about this first issue of the university newspaper--but remember, it is only a start. Equipment and help have been in short supply. Hopefully these problems soon will be overcome.

And one should not forget that most universities, even those with established newspapers and trained staffs, wait several weeks before attempting to publish at the beginning of a school year.

The handicaps have been great and matters may not improve. Funds are scarce. We trust our readers will bear this in mind as we try to publish a newspaper which will serve the

needs of all the areas of the university--the students, the faculty, and the administration.

And now we ask your help. The paper, at the moment scheduled to appear in this format once a week on a Thursday or Friday, needs reporters, photographers and copy editors. Those interested should stop by room 153 in the village center.

We invite letters to the editor. All shades of opinion are welcome. The newspaper, as is customary, reserves the right to edit these letters and not to publish those considered offensive or in bad taste.

Our next issue will appear either Oct. 17 or 18.

### NAME THE NEWSPAPER

We need a name! (We can't remain the FTU??? forever.) Use this entry blank for your suggestion and drop it in any of the contest boxes located in the village center, the library or the science building. Contest closes October 14.

My entry is: \_\_\_\_\_  
 My name is: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address and Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_





Well, at last we're actually here! I was beginning to wonder if the buildings would ever be ready, but indeed they are. My name is Good. John the Good. I will be writing this fountain of knowledge every week for all you poor, unsuspecting students who are actually bothering to read it.

The column is called "The Portable Prophet" and will be answering and posing many questions. (I can't promise the right answers to the correct questions, but there will be both)

For this first issue, (in which I was asked to take up a lot of space) I will write of the complexities of the first day of classes for the freshman at a new university.

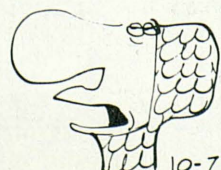
LIFE???

His name is Findle Toebergaden, and he comes from the booming industrial town of Twoegg, Florida. (Look it up, it's near Pensacola) His day starts off quite normal. That is to say for some one on a new campus for the first time with 5 minutes between classes it was normal. At any rate, as soon as he arrived on campus (this was after he brought his car without any parking permit on campus and had to take it off and park it in Union Park and walk back) he went to lunch. (Due to some scheduling oversights he has solid classes from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM) Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Upon completion of lunch, consisting of a large salad and a glass of water (how many calls are there at 8:00 in the morning for lunch???) Findle proceeded to his first class, General Golf I, which was held in the Men's restroom on the third floor of the Learning Resources Center (that's the library, dummy!!). (The reason for the strange pl-

THE WIZARD OF ID



WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?



I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU THE BENEFIT OF MY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE.



THAT'S VERY NICE... BUT WHY?



BECAUSE I CAN'T AFFORD TO TAKE ON ANY MORE OF YOUR DESERTERS.



ace is the Professor was not well that day, something in the water, I should think) The class went smoothly, it was cut about 20 minutes short, but that was an unforeseeable incident, as the sink drain fell off and the water was stuck on. Now, one would think this would leave our friend with an extra twenty minutes, but he got in one of the express elevators, which went to the fourth floor and refused to move another inch. The poor disgruntled student then proceeded to the stairwell, which he remembered as being at the south-east corner of the building. He arrived at his appointed corner and began his hike down the road to freedom when he realized that the door to the fourth floor closed with a awfully resounding clunk, indicating the bolt had fallen in place, which it had, locking him in the stairwell. However, not one to panic, our hero gaily skipped down the four flights of stairs to the first floor door. As he reached for the push-type release on the door he silently chuckled himself as he thought how funny it would be if this door were locked too. HA HA, big joke!!!

YUK! YUK!

After only 1/2 hour of pounding the campus police picked Findle up for attempting to damage state property. The fine was nominal, it was the ink on his fingertips that bothered him as he walked to his next class (to which he was already late). Upon arrival to the Science Lecture Auditorium he found his class had been moved.. To the stairwell of the Learning Resources Building.

After a good 45 minutes of fingerprinting fine paying, and all the other little things that one must go through after being picked up the

# Activity Day Set

Thursday will be Student Activity Day at the village center.

Ken D. Lawson, director of the center, and Mrs. Wanda Russell, program director, will be available throughout the day the discuss with students their involvement in student activities at FTU.

All students wishing to participate in any way in the planning and execution of the activities programs are urged to stop at the village center main desk, fill out an acti-

entire class was released by the Campus Police.

Now at last it was time to go to the most exciting class of the day, Findles' Introductory Math class, held in the heating plant, on the South-East corner of campus.

Upon arrival he found his professor, casually dressed and fiddling with the air-conditioning system. "You wouldn't believe what I have been through, Doctor" the poor student began, "from being washed out of my golf lesson to arrested twice"

"Young man, I believe you are in the wrong room" retorted the very confused custodian!

"Isn't this Math 107?" Pleaded the distraught child.

"Nope, this is furnace number 268."

"### !!! Could you tell me where Math 107 is being held?"

"Sure, son - It's in the stair-well of the Library Building"

\*The story you have just read is true, only the names have been changed to protect the guilty. Findle Toebergaden was sentenced to 50 years in the Federal Pen. for attempted murder of FTU Custodian number 48.\*

THIS IS JOHN THE GOOD



vities application, and find out details concerning the program.

An outline of the many possible areas of participation will be provided so that students may indicate their particular areas of interest. Some of these areas include recruitment of student personnel, public relations for the entire program, recreational planning (including cards, games), fine arts programming, and planning various social and cultural activities.

For the immediate future, the village center needs students to plan its movie program, dance program, music listening program, a bridge program, and an open forum program.

NOTICE!

Enrollment is larger in some classes than had been anticipated. This will result in a temporary shortage of text books for some courses.

The book store has issued emergency orders for the classes involved, and students are asked to be patient until the additional books arrive.

## Bookstore Opens

The FTU bookstore has been described as the largest, most modern and complete bookstore on a Florida campus.

The bookstore, located below the lobby in the Library-Learning Resources Building, carries everything from records by the Doors to textbooks by Tolstoy.

Included among the items for sale in addition to books are such things as writing supplies with the University Seal, cosmetics, beauty needs, cards, stuffed animals, tennis shoes, banners, cameras, and English and foreign language dictionaries.

The bookstore opens at 8:30 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m. Special hours will be arranged for night students.

With proper identification, the bookstore will cash checks for up to \$50. Students wishing to return books or supplies must have the proper cash register receipts.

by Brant parker and Johnny hart



# Activity Calendar

**Monday, October 7**

Music Listening Program all week at village center; Convocation, 9-10 a.m.; Circle "K" club meets 7:15-9:30 p.m., multi-purpose room of village center.

**Tuesday, October 8**

Campus Fashion Show, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., village center.

**Wednesday, October 9**

"Howdy" Week coffee hour, 2-4 p.m., multi-purpose room, village center.

**Thursday, October 10**

Student Activity Day, all day, main desk, village center.

**Friday, October 11**

Movie "ARABESQUE," 8-10 p.m., science auditorium; Dance, free admission, village center, 8:30-12:30, featuring "THE BARONS" and "CUSTER'S LAST BAND."

**Saturday, October 12**

Movie "ARABESQUE," 8-10 p.m., science 107, admission 50¢.

**Friday, October 18**

Movie "TOBRUK," 8-10 p.m., science 107, admission 50¢.

**Saturday, October 19**

Movie "TOBRUK," 8-10 p.m., science 107, admission 50¢.

University-wide events may be listed on this calendar by contacting the village center main desk-275-2633.

## Library Ready For Student Use

Students beginning classes today will find the library stocked with more than 51,000 volumes and plans are to add about 50,000 more yearly for the next several years.

All volumes are on open shelves to allow students and faculty to browse at leisure.

Students and faculty using the library's facilities must be able to present proper identification.

All books and materials from the circulating collection can be borrowed for a two-week period. They may be renewed for another two weeks unless needed by another borrower.

Only one reserve book may be checked out at a time. These books are marked with a red tape on the spine.

Reserve books, as well as periodicals and reference books, do not circulate outside the library.

Overdue books will be assessed at a rate of 25¢ a day. Reserve books which are overdue will be assessed at

50¢ an hour. A lost book will cost the replacement of the book plus a \$3 handling charge.

Loss of loan privileges and the withholding of grades may result if a student fails to clear up a delinquent account.

The library hours will be from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday. Fifteen minutes before closing time a blinking of the lights will advise readers to prepare to leave.

Andy Capp

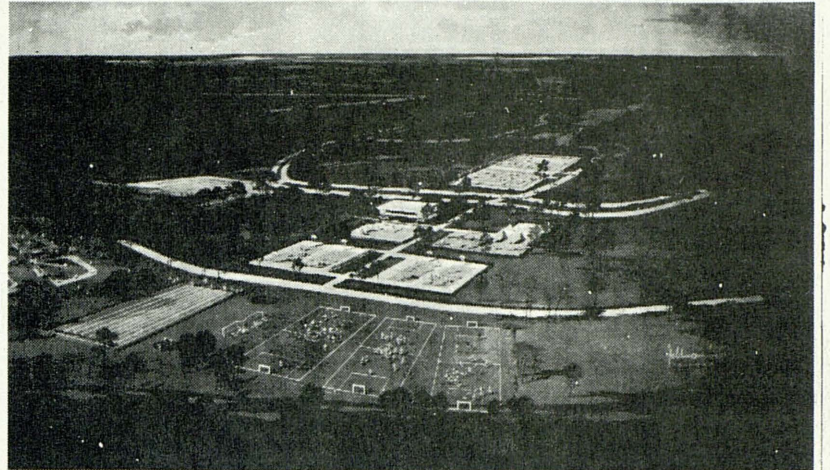


## Intramural Sports Set

Intramural sports will be offered beginning this quarter. The activities will vary from highly competitive to non-competitive, recreational activities.

Men will be offered flag football and cross country for the first quarter; basketball, volleyball and table tennis in the

Students interested in participating in intramurals should contact Dr. R. A. Rothberg, Coordinator of Intramurals, in room 334 of the library. Further addition of sports on this program will be largely determined by student interest in the intramural program. Persons are also needed to officiate.



Physical education facilities are now under construction at FTU. Plans call for football and soccer fields, a heated swimming pool, four handball courts, four softball diamonds and an outdoor education area.

second quarter; and softball, track and field, and tennis in the third quarter.

In the first quarter women will be offered volleyball and tennis; softball and tennis in the second quarter; and basketball and track and field in the third quarter.

Physical education facilities at FTU are presently being built on campus with a long range view toward the future.

The present facilities include 32 instructional golf stations and two golf greens. These courses are stationed south of the village center and next to the football and soccer fields. The stations include 32 driving mats with astro-turf for iron play and rubbers tees for use with wood shots. The football and soccer fields will be used as a driving range during class hours.

Golf clubs and balls are available for use by students and faculty outside of class time.

Also under construction is a tennis court facility. There are expected to be six useable courts by the summer of 1969. Three of these are now being built.

## CIRCLE 'K' FORMED

The Circle K, the only organized club now on campus, will hold a "Blast Off" meeting tonight at 7:15 in the multi-purpose room of the village center. Students attending the meeting will be shown a film outlining the objectives of the club.

Membership is open to male students of "good character and scholastic standing" who are officially enrolled in FTU. The club is sponsored by the East Orlando Kiwanis.

by Reg Smythe