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 a university represent the boldest of hope. They see fulfilled dreams there has been a clear vision of the Florida Technological University as an opportunity come to see what is about to happen. From your midst. From the dedication of the charter student body, faculty and administration, as well as hundreds of area and state leaders, were expected to attend the dedication ceremonies.

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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, Sharyl Roberts and Shelby Prince.

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.

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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."

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¢.
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 the extra-curricular 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 much 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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

THE

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.

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:

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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 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 recreational planning (including cards, games, fine art, 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 young 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 book store on a Florida campus.

The bookstore, located between the library and the 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 logo, cosmetics, beauty needs, cards, stuffed animals, tennis shoes, cameras, and an 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 or cash, and students wishing to return books or supplies must have the proper cash register receipts.
Activity Calendar

Monday, October 7
Music Listening Program all week at village center; Convocation, 9-10 a.m.; Circle "J" 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.

Saturday, October 12
"TOBRUK," 8-10 p.m., multi-purpose room of village center.

Sunday, October 13
"ARABESQUE," 8-10 p.m., science auditorium.

Monday, October 14
Movie "TOBRUK," 8-10 p.m., multi-purpose room of village center.

Tuesday, October 15
Movie "THE BARONS," 8-10 p.m., multi-purpose room of village center.

Library Ready For Student Use

Students beginning classes today will find the library stocked with more than 31,000 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 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.

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

Physical education facilities at FTU are presently being built on campus with a long range view toward the future. The present facilities include 32 intramural 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 rubber 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 usable courts by the start of the 1969-70 season. 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.

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.

Andy Capp

I've never really appreciated yer kids, clean the table - where's the dishes? Take the ashes - make the bed...

by Reg Smythe

...then a week later you have clean the table - where's the DISHES? TAKE THE ASHES - MAKE THE BED...