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Semester System Considered
Quarter Drop May Come

The possibleiy of a unified semester system for all Florida universities and junior colleges is currently being considered by the University of Florida, and will soon be considered by FTU's Faculty Senate. Dr. R. Philip Taylor, faculty senate head, said this week. "Probably the greatest advantage of this proposed semester system is that it will cut out one whole quarter a year. That would represent, a much better utilization of university faculty," Taylor said.

The system recently received a 95 per cent vote of confidence from the faculty senate of the University of Florida, and, pending approval by President Stephen O'Connell, will go to the Board of Regents and finally to the state legislature.

Known as the "Texas system," the modified semester plan would have two 16-week semesters and two 6-week minimesters in the summer. "Assuming the program was approved for the coming year," Taylor said, "Register Dan Chapman has outlined a tentative schedule for 1973-74. Fall classes would begin August 20 and end December 4. Winter semester would begin January 11 and end April 23. The summer minimesters will begin May 25 and end June 14."

FTU President Charles N. Million, in his recommendation attached to that, expressed support of the suggested change. "Mainly it does away with the current two 16-week semesters and two 6-week minimesters in the summer. I would be very much in favor of the program," Million said. Other FTU deans expressed support of the suggested change.

"I would like to see us off the spring quarter," Walker said. "It is now we meet ourselves coming and going, and we are constantly in a state of crisis. The semester would eliminate a lot of this."

Security Crackdown Begins In Library
Last spring approximately 3,000 books were taken from the FTU Library, costing a total of $45,000. This semester Lynn W. Walker, director of libraries, has instated a security check on all students, faculty and staff.

"The popular books are first to disappear. Walker explained, "especially those needed by a class for research purposes. We are now starting to do security checks and briefcases to prevent this."}

hefted by Walker, said he believes it is necessary to improve library services to students.

"Our problem is not the theives. I don't believe there are many at this time," the vice president for academic affairs said. "The problem is the access to the books. It is not the access to the books before being asked, the library. We can't do anything for the inconvenience but feel it is necessary."

Walker admitted it is next to impossible to stay ahead completely. But he said, by cutting down on the number of missing books, the library can begin spending more on new books, instead of replacing lost ones.
It is possible that the State University System may soon be united toward achieving a single goal, one that would bring the whole system under an uniform academic calendar.

Recently the faculty senators of the University of Florida voted overwhelmingly to recommend to President Stephen O'Connell the adoption of a modified semester system popularly known as the "Texas plan." The next step will be approved by the Board of Regents and ultimately a legislative act that would make the system wide.

ALREADY many state and private junior colleges are using some form of the semester system. (In fact, only one junior college in the state is known to use the quarter system.) From this point of view, a move would have obvious advantages. We are "one" education system under "one" state legislature. Would it not be fundamentally logical to be united under one academic calendar?

Furthermore, the proposed changeover would be an economic boon for all the universities. Aside from the initial changeover cost, it has been estimated that such university might save on the order of $30,000 a year just by reducing the number of yearly registrations from the present three or two.

In our present bureaucracy where waste is the watchword and red tape the order of the day, could anyone seriously agree with the adoption of a new program that would clearly save money? We hope not.

Another littler known but certainly valuable advantage of the present system is that the semester system makes it possible for the early graduation of students under a modified semester system. Quarter system graduates normally get their degrees at the end of two semesters, but the early graduates under a modified semester system. Quarter system graduates would normally get their degrees at the end of two semesters, but the early graduates would probably get them at the end of a series of three semesters. In some cases this might mean saving two semesters in the college career of the student.

Of course, the present system also has considerable merit in the fact that the student can arrest his education at any time during the period of his enrollment and return at a later date to continue his college work. In this way many students have been able to return to college after a period of employment and have been able to complete their college work at home or school.

In the present system the student is free to enroll in any course he desires during the term of the semester. In the modified system he might be required to take a certain number of units in certain courses before he is allowed to enroll in other courses.

"As a matter of fact, I have received a proposal that would make college work much more interesting and attractive to the student. The students would have to take a certain number of units in certain courses before they are allowed to enroll in other courses. The courses would be arranged in a manner that would make it possible for the student to complete his college work in a shorter period of time and at the same time make the college work more enjoyable and interesting to the student."

"As another year begins, the time to look back over the old year has arrived. At FTU, where 8,000 students began classes in September and the university celebrated its fifth year of operation, the span since January 1973 includes a notable array of accomplishments and off campus. Recognizing the accomplishments and the progress in that time, President Charles Millican, along with faculty, staff and students who individually and jointly made it possible, says, "I SHARE the pride of knowing that our campus community is joining with so many others in Central Florida in the spirited involvement that marks the fantastic growth of the entire area." Millican said. And, like the area as a whole, the campus is still growing.

"The string of events over the past year covers a wide range. Chronologically, it reached formal approval for an Air Force ROTC detachment in January; membership in the National Collegiate Athletic Association, granted in December. In between, there are many developments that mark the progress in that time."

"There was the parking spaces petition, drawn up by members of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and carried to Tallahassee by President Millican. Result? New hundred additional parking spaces were okayed to ease the constant problem of a congested campus. More spaces will come with completion of the Humanities and Fine Arts Building, now under way and due to open late in 1973."

"In March, FTU graduated the first group of students to complete course work at the university's resident center at Brevard Community College. And later in the year, FTU and BCC joined in a program under which students may enter the two colleges to take courses offered by the other. And work continues to coordinate programs at both colleges to ease transfer after two years to the FTU campus."

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Security Moves Across Campus

FTU's police department was relocated during the quarter break from the Library Building basement to a station on the third floor of the intersection of Gemini Boulevard and Libra Road. John Smith, director of security, said the move had been in the planning stages for a year. He stated that they were waiting for the building to be completed before making the move.

Smith reported that it took two days to move everything from the library building to the new police department. Sometime in the near future, possibly during this quarter, the police department will make it even easier to pay fines and attend business.

Smith said the new location is more centralized, and it is also easier to get to. He mentioned that it is more convenient all the way around, he added.

He continued, saying the move was made in order to align with the future expansion of the campus.

The move will not only make it easier on students but on the department itself.

When asked for his reaction to the move, Smith said, “It’s a great move to have. Everyone in the department is very happy in the new building.”

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vc Revises Policies On Ticket Sales

By William Lee Hieden

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In the past, ticket policy was made prior to the show event. Since the Village Center has a general policy, it is tied down concerning ticket sales.

The VC ticket policy for special events, such as the upcoming Village Center Fall Dance, is as follows:

(1) FTU students, faculty and staff can pick up one ticket per identification card, either free of charge or at a reduced price, at a specified time.

(2) All tickets which are sold at the general admission price are not free or reduced rate tickets.

Housing Director Given Leave

Temporary Replacement Selected

FTU Housing Director T. K. Weibel has been granted a year’s leave of absence to study for a doctoral degree at Fort Wayne State University.

Larry Matthews, an assistant to the dean of men, will assume the responsibilities of business operations and will serve as a point of contact between students and the housing department.

Vice President for Student Affairs John Brown said that the move was made in order to align with the future expansion of the campus.

Will Brown will be in charge of housing while the director is on leave.

President Charles Millican relocation during the quarter break from the Library Building basement to a station on the third floor of the intersection of Gemini Boulevard and Libra Road.

The move was made during the quarter break in order to avoid inconvenience, he added.

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By John The Good, Resident Seer

LIBRA:
If awards were given for such things, you would get the award for being the humblest man in the country. The only catch is, you also have the most to be humble about.

SCORPIO:
"Nothing in life is so exhilarating," said Winston Churchill, "as to be shot at without results."

SAGITTARIUS:
Hah! You put on a few pounds over the break, didn't you? You look chunkier than you did. Or is it just the French disease which bloated you up like that? You old dog!

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Campus Glances

If you hear from a long lost relative, on whom you owe $8,000, (see Aries) You will also find out that you have somebody else's birthday, and now they want it back. (see If You Were Born Today.) There was another one, since such news traditionally comes in threes, but I forgot what it was. Just take extra care today. It's not going to be one of your better days.

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By Fred Cay
Assistant Sports Editor

With a record of 6-3 and riding a four-game winning streak, FTU's basketball Knights look forward to playing in friendly confines six of their next seven games on home courts. Considering that eight of those first nine games were on the road the Knights have done "pretty well" in the words of Assistant Coach Ben Meixl.

Included in the first one-third of the season were the following: a tournament championship in the Racine (Wis.) Invitational, wins over Palm Beach Atlantic, St. Leo, Florida Bible and Lake Forest, and the much looked-forward to the 100-88 loss to South Florida, hitting for 30 points apiece.

A couple of new stars emerged from this early season action. John Smith, a 6-4 forward, is the top rebounder and steadiest player on the squad. His workhorse has picked up much of the slack for the obviously missed center Eddie Fluitt. The other new face in the starting lineup is 6-3 guard Arnett Hall who is the best outside threat with the Jacksonville Dolphins—which was a battle for about 30 of the 40 minutes.

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The JU-FTU Game - A 2nd Beginning?

By Larry McCorkle
Sports Editor

For the 6,490 (give or take a few) of you who could not make it to the JU-Jacksonville game, you missed a very exciting moment.

I mean, wow, we, us, FTU-we actually played basketball in Jacksonville.

As I was standing in the box seat admiring the Jacksonville Coliseum, JF's team started fanning past me (Bradshaw 6-4 forward, 6-9 prep All-American Sharrow Leftwich, 6-10 Rush Taylor and Ricky Coleman, considered the best guard prospect in the nation until slowed by a knee injury, were some of the players I recognized. Henry Williams, a 6-6 sophomore guard (FTU's tallest player is 6-7 center Pete Haas) who a pro basketball coach said could play right now for a pro team)

Abe Steward, 6-6 forward, led the Tigers last year

With him, was the last to appear. was well represented as Dr. Frank Robinson is considered by

Pete Haas) who a pro basketball which featured some of the finest

Tigers back on the trail to their three. Kappa Epsilon Sigma Sigma Chi. Kappa lived as only a notch below those TKE did 1

Men's basketball and women's program this year. The skills clinic and no more than 12. For speedball entries

FTU-Jacksonville will face off for the first time in intercollegiate basketball.

As Red Auerbach, former Boston Celtic put it, "I have the feeling that this was the start of intercollegiate basketball at FTU." FTU's name to all the outside shots in the Metro Conference.

EDDIE FLUITT, FTU's tallest player at 6-7, will not play any new basketball this season. Last Tuesday, he had his injured knee operated on at Winter Park Memorial Hospital. Fluitt will remain at the hospital for at least a week. Coach Torchy Clark hopes that Fluitt, who was so vital to FTU this year, can be red-shirted so that he can maintain his last year of eligibility. In FTU's first nine games, Fluitt has played what amounts to about half of one game. But the question of whether he is allowed to be red-shirted or not can only be resolved by the NCAA.

Fall Quarter Finished With TKE Winning V-Ball Title

Men's Basketball Begins IM Winter

Men's basketball and women's speedball had a successful winter intramural sports season. Fraternity and intramural speedball has undertaken a new addition to the intramural program this year. The skills clinic for this new sport will be held January 17 and 18 at 4 p.m. and participants are urged to attend to learn more about it.

Eight Intrastaters will battle for this year's basketball crown.

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"Just question? Hey man, where's the answer?"

"What do you want, an automatic A?"

"Yes."

No matter, Jacksonville still was awesome physically and I kept looking at the scoreboard and the front of the program to reassure myself that everything was real.

Although the final score was 70-55 in favor of Jacksonville, one had the feeling that this was the second beginning of intercollegiate basketball at FTU.

The ORLANDO SENTINEL held a high school basketball tournament during the holidays which featured some of the finest basketball players in the state. FTU was well represented as Dr. Frank Robinson, Dr. John Powell and Dr. Hugh Martin all scanned the court for talent to help FTU's future in basketball.

FTU's head coach is also Torchy Clark, 6'10 forward, and Jack Pantelias also were available to give their assistance to FTU. Robinson kept

The last year's standing found TKE at No. 1, 1-0 and TKE and SAE tied for second at 5-2. SAE and KS were next at 5-18 each, while LKA finished 2-8 and TEP was 1-6.

ATO won its eighth game of the year after the independent newspaper gained 47-41, but lost the championship contest to GDI, 68-49.

Rosters for this year's teams must include at least eight players and no more than 12. For speedball entries there will be seven players per team.

Big games to watch this coming week include TKE vs. SAE and TEP vs. SAE on Monday, the big rivalry-TKE vs. ATO on Tuesday, SAE vs. ATO Wednesday and TKE vs. TEP on Thursday.

TKE did lose its first and only game of the season that match after winning the first two of the match.

ED FLUITT will certainly be missed.

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